

## Community Newsletter | Winter 2026

### Who Are We?

Careline is a small independent charity offering free telephone befriending calls to those living in Derbyshire Dales, Erewash, and East Staffordshire. Our service is available 7 days a week, 365 days a year. Whether you're feeling lonely or isolated, suffering from a bereavement, or simply in need of a little support, we are here to offer friendship.

Calls are quick to set up and there's very little paperwork, which is completed over the phone. We can call you every day or one day a week, it is totally up to you, and at a time that suits you.

If you or someone you know would like a regular call, please get in touch.

**We're here to help brighten your day.**

### Referring yourself or others to our service

You can call a member of staff on 01335 210353, email us at [info@carelinecalling.org.uk](mailto:info@carelinecalling.org.uk). A member of staff will then contact you or them to have a chat, and obtain a few details, with calls set up quickly on an agreed day and time. It couldn't be simpler.



CARELINE OFFERS FRIENDSHIP TO THOSE WHO ARE FEELING ISOLATED OR LONELY

### Welcome to our Winter Community Newsletter

We've had an exciting year of fundraising events so far, including a and our brand-new Spring Fair, our annual Fundraising Walk, and our Christmas Fair!

Earlier this year, we also launched our Vinted page and we've raised an amazing £143. Vinted is an online marketplace where you can support our cause by buying clothes, shoes, bags, and accessories. By shopping on Vinted, you help fund your local Telephone Befriending Charity and support sustainability by giving items a second life.

Whether you attend our events, donate, or buy raffle tickets, we deeply appreciate your support. Every contribution enables Careline to keep reaching out to those experiencing loneliness and social isolation.

**Thank you for your support!**

# Vinted

<https://www.vinted.co.uk/member/262799551-carelinecalling>

### Volunteering for Careline

We are always on the lookout for new volunteers, whether you would like to make friendship calls to our members or are interested in helping at events – we would love for you to join our team. For more information, please call 01335 210353 or email [info@carelinecalling.org.uk](mailto:info@carelinecalling.org.uk)

### Fancy becoming a Corporate Supporter?

We are looking for suitable companies to partner with us. By becoming a **Corporate Supporter**, you will:

- Be recognised as a company with a social conscience. Your company details and logo will be included in a dedicated section of each newsletter.
- Demonstrate to your clients and employees that you are a socially responsible organisation, something that has been proven to increase sales and motivate staff.
- Have opportunities to involve your employees in fundraising events, helping to strengthen teamwork and boost morale.
- Provide valuable funding for a small charity with a big impact.

If this sounds of interest to your company, please email us at [info@carelinecalling.org.uk](mailto:info@carelinecalling.org.uk) and we can discuss how best to take this forward.

## What Have We Been Up To?

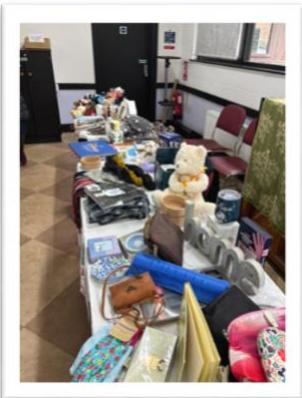
### Fundraising Walk 2025

We had our annual fundraising walk on 6<sup>th</sup> September. Thank you to everyone who walked/ran on the day and who donated. We raised an amazing £1,169!



### Christmas Fair 2025

We had our Christmas Fair on 6<sup>th</sup> December. Thank you to everyone who attended, bought raffle tickets and donated. We raised an amazing £1,200!



### Careline Staff

We're Hannah and Carolyn, and we run Careline from our office in St Oswald's Hospital in Ashbourne.

Hannah joined Careline as Manager in August 2023, and Carolyn, our Befriending Coordinator, has been part of the team since July 2017.

We look forward to meeting you when we're out and about promoting the charity and at our various events throughout the year.

*Hannah & Carolyn x*

### Community Donations

We'd like to say a huge thank you to the following organisations who have kindly supported Careline with donations this year. Every donation, large or small, makes a real difference and help us continue to support lonely, isolated, and vulnerable people in our community.

This year, we've been delighted to receive contributions from:

- Tissington Well Dressing Committee - £800
- Leek Building Society - £320
- Brailsford WI - £250
- Dovedale Dash - £500
- Kniveton Church - £200
- On a Wick and a Prayer - £150
- St Leonard's Church - £105
- Ashbourne WI £33

### Collection Tins

Our volunteer ambassador has placed over 30 collection tins in and around Ashbourne, and thanks to your kindness, we've already raised £541 this financial year!

We're so grateful to every business that's hosted a tin, your support really adds up and helps us reach more people in need. A special shout-out to the **BP Garage, Mayfield Road**, who are our top contributors this year raising a total of £207.09!

If you have any loose change to give, look out for our orange tins!

### Raise Cashback

Get regular free donations for Careline when you shop online. It's a bit like cashback - but Give As You Live pays the money you earn to Careline as a donation, for free! It's very easy to set up, so please shop and fundraise for Careline:

<https://shorturl.at/YMDak>

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