



Dear Colleague

As part of the Council's work to [support citizens during the cost-of-living crisis](#) we are currently facing, the Council has plans to develop a Warm Spaces scheme. The aim is to provide residents in the Vale with a network of community spaces that offer a warm and inviting place to come together this winter at no cost, and that offer a 'Warm Welcome' to different parts of our communities.

To start with we are looking to find out what is already available across the Vale and provide a directory for anyone to access in a similar way to the approach we adopted for Vale Heroes during the pandemic.

Please could you complete this [short survey](#) which aims to identify the existing locations/services that could offer a Warm Welcome as soon as possible ideally by 26th October to enable us to start publishing information and consider funding requests as soon as possible. We will also welcome details of projects and new opportunities as they develop as this work is likely to keep evolving.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=u9OZ4-04lkaRz3mFHb9V7MRD2qRTpo5CjYrPSyf98uxUQIRSTkdWVUZGRDBVMUFUT0VLTDUzUU81Ry4u>

We would be grateful if you could share this message with anyone who you think could offer a Warm Welcome, so that we can expand our reach as far as possible.

We'd love to know what is currently on offer at these locations and what more could be offered if funding was made available (an announcement from Welsh Government on a number of streams is imminent). We are also asking for information about support services that are already available and could be promoted on our web pages.

We'll be in touch with further information as a Warm Welcome progresses.

With many thanks as always for your help.

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lis Burnett". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'L' and a stylized 'B'.

Councillor Lis Burnett
Executive Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources