

## Introduction

This Universal Credit Supplement to the Wolverhampton Information & Advice Directory has been produced by the City of Wolverhampton Council's Welfare Rights Service. The aim is to provide a guide to the network of groups and organisations in Wolverhampton that provide information, advice and/or support surrounding Universal Credit.

It is recognised that some of the groups and organisations contained within this supplement provide other services. Please see the full Directory for details.

# **Local Groups and Organisations – Thank You**

The groups and organisations listed in this directory are all based or work within Wolverhampton. We would like to thank all contributors for their input.

If your group or organisation provides assistance to people with any aspect of Universal Credit and you would like to see your details featured within this Supplement, then please contact the Welfare Rights Service by emailing <a href="https://www.wrs.organisation.gov.uk">wrs.organisation.gov.uk</a>.

Every effort has been made to ensure that the details provided herein are up to date and accurate. However, should you notice an error in any information contained in the Supplement or if some form of update is required, then do let us know.

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Local groups and organisations are listed alphabetically. You can scroll down to find the local group or organisation you are looking for, or you can 'click' on the name of the local group or organisation in the alphabetical list to go straight to the entry.

## **Disclaimer**

The City of Wolverhampton Council's Welfare Rights Service has made every effort to make sure that the information contained within this supplement is accurate and up to date. However, we cannot give a complete guarantee and it is acknowledged that with the passage of time, information about some local groups and organisations may change. Further, by inclusion within this supplement, the City of Wolverhampton Council provides no expressed or implied endorsement of any particular local group or organization or the facilities or services it may provide.

By using this supplement, you assume full responsibility for use of the information provided. The City of Wolverhampton Council is not responsible or liable for any claim, loss, damage or inconvenience caused as a result of reliance on such information.

#### Access to Business

The Curve Telephone: 01902 572397

81 Tempest Street Email: josie@access2business.co.uk
Wolverhampton Website: www.access2business.co.uk

WV2 1AA view location here www.a2bos.co.uk

#### Universal Credit services provided:

- General advice on Universal Credit entitlement and the claimant commitment (and sanctions)
- Help to set up bank/credit union account
- Teaching of IT skills
- Computer access
- Assistance with online claims
- Assistance with applying for short-term benefit advances
- Personal budgeting support and advice

Additional information: services are provided on a 1:1 basis by staff and volunteers and with the use of workshops and group sessions. Online courses are available to access employment/self-employment.

#### Bilston Resource Centre

St Michael's Mission Telephone: 01902 353705

Wolverhampton Street Email: <a href="mailto:brcinfo@btconnect.com">brcinfo@btconnect.com</a>

Bilston Web: www.bilstonresourcecentre.com

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#### Universal Credit services provided:

- General advice on Universal Credit entitlement and the claimant commitment (and sanctions)
- Teaching IT skills
- Computer access
- Assistance with online claims
- Personal budgeting support and advice

Additional Information: support provided to enable people to identify entitlements and make claims.

# Black Country Click Start

Wellington HouseTelephone: 07876 034551 or 07876 034560Wellington RoadEmail: <a href="mailto:click.start@greensquareaccord.co.uk">click.start@greensquareaccord.co.uk</a>BilstonWeb: <a href="https://greensquareaccord.co.uk">https://greensquareaccord.co.uk</a>

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#### Universal Credit services provided:

- Help to set up online bank/credit union accounts
- Teaching of IT skills
- Computer access
- Assistance with online claims

Additional Information: Digital Hubs across the Black Country, helping people to use computers and mobile devices. Help with staying safe online. Focus on those who are most vulnerable to debt or lack the confidence and skills to get online.

### Citizens Advice Dudley & Wolverhampton

Telephone: 0800 144 8848 (Advice Line)

0800 144 8444 (Help to Claim)

Textphone: 18001 0800 144 8884

New venues to be confirmed soon. Currently only providing assistance remotely via telephone.

Website: <u>www.citizensadvicedudleyandwolverhampton.org/</u>

Email: EmailAdviceCADudleyandWolverhampton@dudleycabx.org

#### Universal Credit services provided:

- General advice on Universal Credit entitlement and the claimant commitment (and sanctions)
- Advice and assistance with disputing decisions
- Assistance with applying for short-term benefit advances
- Personal budgeting support and advice
- Assistance with making applications for housing cost managed payments direct to landlord.
- Assistance with applications for weekly/fortnightly payments and split payments between both members of a couple.

## Jobchange

10 Red Lion StreetTelephone: 01902 714224 or 0800 122 3510WolverhamptonEmail: <a href="mailto:info@jobchange2007.com">info@jobchange2007.com</a>WV1 4HL view location hereWeb: <a href="mailto:www.jobchange2007.com">www.jobchange2007.com</a>

### Universal Credit services provided:

- General advice on Universal Credit entitlement and the claimant commitment (and sanctions)
- Computer access and assistance for making online claims
- Advisor support with applying for short-term benefit advance
- Advisor support with applications for weekly/fortnightly payments and split payments between both members of a couple

Additional information: referrals to other organisations for representation at appeals and for advice and assistance with disputing decisions. 1:1 support can be provided for making claims.

# Money Smart Team, Wolverhampton Homes

Wolverhampton Homes Telephone: 01902 556789

Market Street Email: <a href="mailto:moneysmart@wolverhampton.gov.uk">moneysmart@wolverhampton.gov.uk</a>
Wolverhampton
Web: <a href="mailto:www.wolverhamptonhomes.org.uk">www.wolverhamptonhomes.org.uk</a>
WV1 3AG

Contact can be made via email or Homes direct on 01902 556789

#### Universal Credit services provided:

- General advice on Universal Credit entitlement and the claimant commitment (and sanctions)
- Advice on Basic Bank Accounts and Credit Union savings accounts
- Assistance with online claims
- Personal budgeting support and advice
- Assistance with making applications for housing cost managed payments direct to landlord

Additional information: services provided for Wolverhampton Homes tenants and housing applicants. Referrals made to Click Start for teaching of IT skills and IT support.

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43 School Street Telephone: 0118 304 2077

Wolverhampton 24-hour support for anyone at risk of homelessness WV1 4LR view location here or who are rough sleeping on Freephone number:

0800 107 6753

Email: westmids@p3charity.org

Web: <u>www.p3charity.org</u>

## Universal Credit services provided:

General advice on Universal Credit entitlement

- Help to set up bank/credit union account
- Computer access
- Assistance with online claims
- Assistance with applying for short-term benefit advances
- Personal budgeting support and advice
- Assistance with making applications for housing cost managed payments direct to landlord

Additional information: services provided for people who are at risk of homelessness or currently homeless.

## Service User Involvement Team (SUIT) (MBE)

c/o WVSC Telephone: 01902 328983

16 Temple Street Email: <a href="mjohnson@wolverhamptonvsc.org.uk">mjohnson@wolverhamptonvsc.org.uk</a>
Web: <a href="mjohnson@wolverhamptonvsc.org.uk">www.facebook.com/SUITWolves</a>

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## Universal Credit services provided:

- Basic advice on Universal Credit entitlement
- Computer access
- Assistance with online claims

Additional information: basic support and internet access only provided for people accessing SUIT for support with recovery from addiction.

## St Georges HUB (Services for Marginalised Men)

St Mark's Road Telephone: 01902 421904

Chapel AshEmail:info@st-georges-house.org.ukWolverhamptonWeb:www.st-georges-house.org.uk

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#### Universal Credit services provided:

- General advice on Universal Credit entitlement and the claimant commitment (and sanctions)
- Advice and assistance with disputing decisions
- Help to set up bank/credit union account
- Teaching of IT skills
- Computer access
- Assistance with online claims
- Assistance with applying for short-term benefit advances
- Personal budgeting support and advice

Assistance with making applications for housing cost managed payments direct to landlord

Additional information: services provided for vulnerable and isolated men.

## TLC College

Dunstall Heights Telephone: 01902 714433

Dunstall Road Email: <a href="mailto:enquiries@tlccollege.org.uk">enquiries@tlccollege.org.uk</a>
Wolverhampton Web: <a href="mailto:www.tlccollege.org.uk">www.tlccollege.org.uk</a>

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Universal Credit services provided:

- General advice on Universal Credit entitlement and the claimant commitment (and sanctions)
- Help to set up bank/credit union account
- Teaching of IT skills
- Computer access
- Assistance with online claims
- Assistance with applying for short-term benefit advances
- Personal budgeting support and advice
- Assistance with making applications for housing cost managed payments direct to landlord
- Guidance/support when accessing Universal Credit log

Additional information: a range of services to enable people to access Universal Credit and cope with the demands of budgeting. Assistance with English language translation and classes provided.

### Libraries

Wolverhampton Central Library Telephone: 01902 552025

Snow Hill Email: <u>libraries@wolverhampton.gov.uk</u>
Wolverhampton Web: <u>www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/libraries</u>

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Universal Credit services provided:

- Computer access
- Assistance when possible with online claims.

Additional information: Details and location of local libraries can be found below, with links to the details of the services on offer.

## Libraries A-L

## **Ashmore Park Library**

The Hub, Griffiths Drive

Ashmore Park

Wolverhampton WV11 2LH view location here

Tel: 01902 556296 Web: Click here

## **Bilston Library**

Mount Pleasant

Bilston

Wolverhampton WV14 7LU view location here

Tel: 01902 556253 Web: Click here

#### **Blakenhall Library**

Blakenhall Community & Health Living Centre

**Bromley Street** 

Wolverhampton WV2 3AS view location here

Tel: 01902 555460 Web: Click here

## **Collingwood Library**

Within Broadway Gardens Northwood Park Road

Bushbury

Wolverhampton WV10 8EB view location here

Tel: 01902 552025 Web: Click here

#### **East Park Library**

**Hurstbourne Crescent** 

Wolverhampton WV1 2EE view location here

Tel: 01902 556257 Web: Click here

## Finchfield Library

White Oak Drive

Finchfield

Wolverhampton WV3 9AF view location here

Tel: 01902 556260 Web: Click here

### **Long Knowle Library**

Wood End Road Wednesfield

Wolverhampton WV11 1YG view location here

Tel: 01902 556290 Web: Click here

#### **Low Hill Library**

**Showell Circus** 

Low Hill

Wolverhampton WV10 9JL view location here

Tel: 01902 556293 Web: Click here

## Libraries M-Z

## **Pendeford Library**

Whitburn Close

Pendeford

Wolverhampton WV9 5NJ view location here

Tel: 01902 556250 Web: Click here

## **Penn Library**

Coalway Avenue

Penn

Wolverhampton WV3 7LT view location here

Tel: 01902 556281 Web: Click here

## **Spring Vale Library**

Bevan Avenue Spring Vale

Wolverhampton WV4 6SG view location here

Tel: 01902 5556284 Web: Click here

## Tettenhall Library

St Michael's Parish Centre

Upper Street Tettenhall

Wolverhampton WV6 8QF view location here

Tel: 01902 556308 Web: Click here

## **Warstones Library**

Pinfold Grove

Penn

Wolverhampton WV4 4PT view location here

Tel: 01902 556275 Web: Click here

### **Wednesfield Library**

2 Well Lane Wednesfield

Wolverhampton WV11 1XT view location here

Tel: 01902 556278 Web: Click here

## **Whitmore Reans Library**

Bargate Drive Evans Street Wolverhampton

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Tel: 01902 556269 Web: Click here