

☀️ East Norfolk (Great Yarmouth & Waveney area) Self-Neglect & Hoarding

Professional Forum – Launch Event ☀️

Supporting Safer, Healthier Lives Through Collaborative Practice

Professionals across the Great Yarmouth & Waveney area are invited to join the launch of a new multi-agency forum dedicated to improving our collective response to **self-neglect and hoarding**. This initiative aligns with the future East Norfolk Council footprint and aims to strengthen partnership working, information sharing, and early, coordinated support.

Our first meeting will take place **online via Microsoft Teams on Monday, 22 June at 2:00 p.m.** This session will set the foundations for the group, introduce a shared purpose, and agree on the schedule for future meetings.

Why This Forum?

Self-neglect and hoarding remain some of the most complex and high-risk safeguarding concerns faced by practitioners. They require nuanced, coordinated and compassionate responses that often span multiple services. This new forum creates a space where:

- Practitioners can bring anonymised or consent-supported cases for discussion
- Agencies can share insights and identify early intervention opportunities
- We can collectively build professional confidence, consistency, and cross-sector understanding
- Barriers to collaboration can be addressed and solutions developed together

Your professional experience and perspective are essential to shaping this group.

Registration & Data Sharing Requirements

To support safe and appropriate information sharing, attending professionals must be **registered and signed up to the Great Yarmouth Borough Council Community Hub Collaboration Agreement**.

This ensures that shared discussions are held within an agreed framework that protects residents' data and supports lawful partnership working.

If you are not yet signed up, we will provide guidance on completing this requirement when you request an invitation.

Event Co-Chairs

The inaugural session will be co-chaired by:

- **Alison Roe** – *Practice Consultant, Adult Social Care*
- **Steve Scott-Greenard** – *Prevention & Early Help Manager, Great Yarmouth Borough Council*

Both Alison and Steve bring a depth of experience across safeguarding, complexity management, and multi-agency practice.

 **Want to Attend? Request an Invitation**

Professionals interested in attending the first meeting should send a brief invitation request to:

 **earlyhelphub@great-yarmouth.gov.uk**

Please include your name, role, organisation, and confirmation that you are (or will be) registered under the Community Hub Collaboration Agreement.

 **Help Shape the Future**

This launch event is the first step in establishing a sustainable and supportive network for practitioners who are working with individuals experiencing self-neglect or hoarding. Your insight and involvement will help co-design the purpose, frequency, and format of future meetings.

We look forward to collaborating with you.