

#### Thank you to The Spitfire Museum

On November 25th of November, The Bureau's own Lauren Hastie led the charge on a trip of her own making. With two other staff members and ten of our wonderful clients, they travelled to Blackpool Airport to visit the home of the Spitfire Museum, in a minibus aptly named The Dambuster.

The trip was organised after it was seen that many of our clients were feeling isolated after two years of COVID restrictions, and that there was a growing need to help. It was mentioned by a member of our staff that one of their family volunteered at the museum, and so a plan was put into action.

Taking the lead, Lauren H prepared our flight plan, roused the troops and we were chocks away!

The trip ended in a resounding success after several of the clients called up to express their gratitude and to thank everyone involved for their efforts. Trips like this and the little differences we can make to our community are the cornerstone to our efforts here at The Bureau, especially when we have the opportunity to work with other organisations to make it happen. Whether it's lunch in the NAFFI or a drive to a medical appointment, The Bureau is here to serve the needs of the community whenever possible.

"It was the best day out I've had in months, and it meant so much to me. Also made it even better by the lovely group of people I went with."

Mary - Client

## Meet the team... Arthur Elf



Arthur joins us as a very special volunteer for the Christmas season. He joins us from the North Pole and is looking to improve his behaviour as he is know to be a very cheeky elf!

To check in and see what Arthur is up to, follow us on Facebook!





#### **Volunteer Befrienders!**

Befriending matches a Volunteer Befriender with a Friend for regular social contact, with visits or calls every week or fortnight.

Meet for a brew and a walk

Have a chat in the home or garden

Catch up with a friendly phone call

#### For more information please visit our website

the-bureau.org.uk/befriending-project

Or contact Jennifer at

jennifer@the-bureau.org.uk

Or call

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#### Community Wellbeing

Tameside & Glossop

#### **Mobile Testing Sites in Glossopdale**

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday Gamesley Sports and Community Centre, Melandra Castle Road, Gamesley, SK13 6UQ, 9am to 5pm

Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday Redgra area, Fauvel Road, Glossop. 9am to 5pm

Book online at www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test

### **KEEP GOING FOR GLOSSOPDALE**

#### VOLUNTEER BEFRIENDING

#### **Linking the Community.**

The Befriending Service aims to reduce the stress of loneliness and isolation, increase peoples' confidence, and enable them to maintain their independence. If you know someone that is isolated and could use a befriender then please get in touch, or if you would like to volunteer and make a difference in someone's life then please call to start helping.

# **GET IN TOUCH!**

Here at The Bureau, we love hearing back from our community, clients & volunteers, and getting feedback that helps us provide better services to our local area!

This month we highlight the experience of Fred, one of our Car Scheme Clients, and his experience with us here at The Bureau.

"We would have been stuck without your service... anything that's needed doing we've been able to turn to you."

"When my wife was in the hospital [VOLUNTEER] waited with her for hours and looked after her like she was his own wife, I'll never forget that."



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