



Bradfield School Careers Newsletter

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Welcome to the latest edition of the Bradfield Careers Newsletter. This will be produced regularly and will include lots of exciting information relating to local and National opportunities as well as general careers information for all year groups, parents, carers and staff which we hope you will enjoy!

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Sheffield College–Peaks Campus Closure

Following a thorough internal review, we have taken the decision that from September 2023, the college will no longer deliver teaching and learning provision at its Peaks Campus. It is anticipated that all of the courses currently offered at Peaks will continue and will mostly relocate to our City Campus. This means you will be able to do the same course at a different campus.

We have taken this decision due to:

- Decreasing student numbers at Peaks year on year. For example, in 2014/15 there were 776 students studying at Peaks. By 2019/20 this had dropped by more than half to 380 and currently there are just over 300 students studying at Peaks Campus
- We have also seen a reduction in the range of types of courses based at Peaks, due to an emerging trend of the majority of students opting to do the same courses but at our City Campus. As a result, we are concerned that the overall student experience is being compromised when compared to the student experience at our larger campuses
- Compounded by a tough financial climate for the further education sector nationally, including a reduction in funding in real terms and surging energy costs, it is becoming less sustainable to continue to provide teaching and learning at Peaks Campus. The campus is highly underutilised and not efficient to maintain

Our number one priority is ensuring that our students and future students receive the very best student experience possible and we will do everything we can to support anyone affected by the move. We know that every student is different and we are here to support you through it. Support provided to applicants for 2023 who are moving campus will include:

- Support with travel costs and journey planning
- Bespoke transport arrangements where required
- Individual Information, Advice and Guidance (IAG) support to work through any changes

We will be working through this with any affected applicants over the coming weeks, but if you have any questions or concerns, please contact admissions@sheffcol.ac.uk who will support you with any queries. You can also find more information in our Frequently Asked Questions document. This can be [found here](#).



Games Careers Week 19th – 25th June 2023

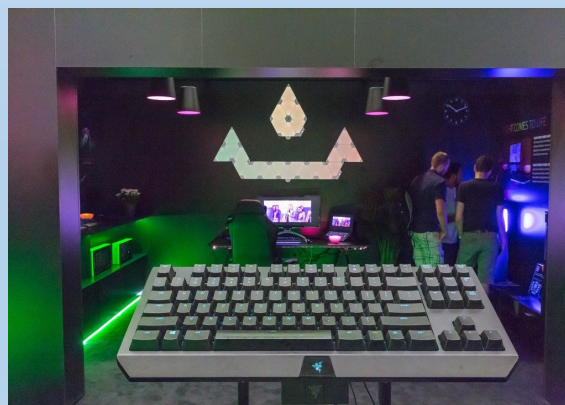
Interested in careers within the gaming industry???

Games Careers Week is a celebration of careers in video-games, showcasing the wide array of career pathways and diversity or opportunities the games industry has to offer. Visit the attached links for more exciting information, video clips and activities:

[Home - Games Careers Week](#)
[National Videogame Museum, Sheffield. The UK's centre for video games.](#)
[National Videogame Museum - \(thenvm.org\)](#)
[Careers - Games Careers Week](#)

There are also some 'pop up' exhibitions across the region that you can visit—See the following link for details:

[Level Up - National Videogame Museum](#)
[National Videogame Museum - \(thenvm.org\)](#)





Spotlight on Careers.....

Hairdressing



Hairdressing is a very promising profession in today's world. With all the emerging hair products, treatment and hairstyling options, hairdressers are in high demand. Hairdressers make our hair look fabulous! They are experienced with different hair cuts and styling techniques. Moreover, a hairdresser will suggest different hairstyles or cuts according to your face structure. In addition, this profession brings in a lot of incentives and opportunities. If you can develop a good client base, you can earn immense popularity in your area of operation. Who knows, you might even get to style some celebrities too! Apart from this, there are many opportunities for a hairdresser in the UK. You can work at any hair salon or beauty parlour.

Or, you can even work as a contractor or own your hair salon! Most experienced hairdressers or hairstylists open up their salons after building a good client base. Also, there is no gender stereotyping or racial imbalance in this profession. So, anyone can become a hairdresser if it is their passion!

Required Skills of a Hairdresser

A hairdresser requires an excellent set of skills to outshine others in this profession. So let us look at the top three skills to help you further on how to become a hairdresser in the UK.

Problem solving Skills—As a hairdresser, you will encounter many issues with hair colour products and other pieces of equipment. You will also need to deal with customer dissatisfaction. So, for all of this, having problem-solving skills is a must.

Interpersonal Skills—Meeting new people, helping them daily is a must in this profession. Thus, you have to be a good communicator. You need to have a good balance of verbal and non-verbal communication skills. Additionally, making people feel comfortable and relaxed is a must too. At the same time, you need to bring in positive energy and enthusiasm consistently. To do all these, a correct balance of all interpersonal skills are necessary.

Scent or Chemical tolerance - This skill is a must. It is because most of the hair and beauty products have a strong smell from the chemicals. Therefore, an individual who is very sensitive to allergies and odours would not be a right fit for this profession.

Styling, Colouring and Hairdressing

This is probably the most critical responsibility of a professional hairdresser. It is one of the most glamorous parts too. It involves acting as a hair consultant because you will give your clients your professional advice.

You need to know about the latest trends and modern technologies for hair treatment or styling. Who doesn't love a stylish hair colour? There are so many glamorous hair colour trends these days that it is too hard to resist. As a hairdresser, you need to stay updated on all the hair colour trends and suggest your clients according to their face shape or complexion. You need to also fully equip your salon with all the different hair colour products.

Customer Service

The mantra behind any successful business is good customer service. Making your customers feel welcomed and comfortable will take your business to its peak. Because customers can either make or break a business.

You need to confer with your clients to understand which hairdressing service they need or looking for. Similarly, you should understand each client's demands regarding hair and skin problems. Then attempt to advise solutions for them. You should also give them correct information about the processes and timeframes for different treatments.

See full article at: [How to Become a Hairdresser in the UK? A Beginners' Guide | Janets](#)

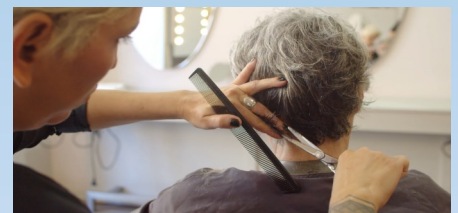
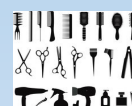
For more information about getting into Hairdressing, please visit:

[Training - Hair Council](#)

[How to become a hairdresser: Jasmine's story - BBC](#)

[Bitesize](#)

[Hairdresser | My World of Work](#)



Careers and Enrichment at Bradfield School



Latest News.....

We are excited to be launching the Sheffield 'Big Community Challenge' for Bradfield School students throughout May and June.

This event aims to ignite social and entrepreneurial spirit through a wide social city action activity. There is a potential to seek an investment of up to £25 if required to support BIG idea development around issues which are important to young people and their communities. Skills development through social action and innovation! What ideas do you have??

We will be looking for teams (up to 12 people in each) across school who would like the chance to make a difference in their community at the same time as developing their employability skills.

Successful teams who participate fully and complete their journals will also be invited to a celebration event at Sheffield Town Hall.


For more information visit: [Home | BiG Community Challenge | Skills Development Through Community Action in Sheffield \(bigchallenge.biz\)](#) <https://youtu.be/trxQFMzwlyQ>



Enrichment Week

We are in the final stages of planning a programme of exciting enrichment activities for years 7-10 which will take place in July.



We will be running a wide range of activities and interactive events which will help students to develop interests, abilities and learning experiences outside of normal studies. We already have some exciting professionals booked and lined up to run workshops and interactive sessions with our students which we are very excited about. We will also be running some competitions and team events which could even result in some prizes being awarded! More news to follow in school. 



Year 10 Introduction to Careers—Post 16 Options

Sarah Dempsey, our Careers Adviser will be undertaking an assembly session in June to introduce Post 16 Options to Year 10. We will be sending out an information booklet and will be running an information event for parents and carers following this. Sarah Dempsey will also be available for online appointments during the Year 10 Parents Evening on 20th June 2023.



Volunteering, Work Experience and Online Learning Opportunities.....

We know that work experience, voluntary work and additional study courses can all help to increase your skills and knowledge but did you know that they also give you incredible experience that you can add to your CV or personal statements which will really help you to stand out from the crowd when applying for employment or learning opportunities. We have put together some free opportunities to get you started which you can do in school or from home. Have fun and learn something new!



Apply for free virtual work experience programmes and online courses —Featured this edition are:

[CyberFirst Defenders](#) | [Smallpeice Trust](#) Certified by the NCSC these free Cyber Security courses run over five days with structured sessions which are fun and interactive. Book your place online, course dates offered throughout July and August 23.

[Free Virtual Work Experience](#) | [Springpod](#)—Register for an account to access a wide range of work experience from major employers.

[Explore Work Experience - Youth Employment UK](#) A selection of great videos to help you understand work experience with a digital workbook

[Services and Products - Future First](#) Virtual work experience activities in the Commercial, Third and Health Sectors.

[Virtual Work Experience tool](#) | [Barclays LifeSkills](#) Get to see the inner workings of a digital transformation agency and work with different departments—Estimated time 20-40 mins.

[Halliday Fraser Munro - Work Experience Zone \(hfm.co.uk\)](#) For learners interested in Architecture and Design—Chose from a selection of tasks.



Free online courses:

[FutureLearn](#) | [Online learning](#) | [The University of Sheffield](#)—Free taster/sample sessions with completion certificates for all.

[Free courses - OpenLearn - Open University](#) Wide range of free to study courses. Create a free account to record your achievements.

[Free Online Courses \(alison.com\)](#) Access thousands of free online courses from Art to Zoology! Create an account to record your progress and save your work.



Volunteer Centre
Sheffield

Volunteering is a great way to gain skills and experience, help others, meet new people and have fun!

Volunteer Centre Sheffield is part of Voluntary Action Sheffield and is a charity that supports the voluntary and community sector in Sheffield to be vibrant, effective and influential.

Volunteer Centre Sheffield produces a regular bulletin of local volunteering opportunities for young people aged 13 and over in the Sheffield area. There is an incredible range to choose from and you can add yourself to their mailing list to receive regular updates if you are interested.

You can find out more by visiting [I'm a young person - Volunteer Centre Sheffield \(sheffieldvolunteercentre.org.uk\)](#)

You can access the most recent vacancy bulletin here : [May 2023 13-17 Bulletin.pdf \(sheffieldvolunteercentre.org.uk\)](#)

Have a look, you may something inspiring and incredible!





This month....the spotlight is on Summer Holidays: Making the most of your break.....

The summer holidays are coming and are the perfect opportunity for us to unwind and rest after a very busy year in school. As lovely as it is to put your feet up, some people find themselves twiddling their thumbs and itching for something to do. Getting a part or full-time summer job could be an option for you and will help you to:

#1 *Earn your own money*

#2 *Develop skills such as communication and team-working*

#3 *Structure your time over the summer*

#4 *Gain valuable work experience you can add to your CV or personal statement.*



Before you undertake any work it is very important that you look up the latest laws concerning the employment of young people as there are limitations on where children are not allowed to work and what they are not allowed to do. Detailed government guidance on the employment of children can be found here: [Child employment: Minimum ages children can work - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk) Always ensure that the employer has the required insurances in place before commencing any work

Some ideas for summer jobs include:

Retail, hairdressers/barbers, newspaper delivery, office work, light cleaning, hospitality, baby sitting, farm/practical work, working with parents or family friends.

Be enterprising—If you can't find a job with a local employer, then why not consider one of the following:

Dog walking or cat sitting, washing cars, selling your own pictures, crafts or designs (online or at craft events), gardening or even tutoring (If you excel in a subject such as Maths or English you could help out younger children).

Ways of finding work:

Dropping off in person or sending your CV to local employers, with a covering letter (only hand write if your writing is legible)

Phoning local employers and asking who deals with recruitment.

Asking around—neighbours, family, friends, anyone you know. This can be the best way to find a summer job as many jobs are not advertised.

Look in shop windows or at company social media accounts. Many will advertise that they are looking for temporary or summer staff and ask you apply direct.

Other ideas to keep you busy:

Online courses—There are many free courses online. You could learn something for fun or study something that you might want to do in the future. Courses are also available that can help improve your employability skills, such as communication, making decisions and digital literacy.

Volunteering—Sometimes this can be easier to find and organise than paid employment. To find out more you can visit [For our community - Volunteering Matters](http://www.volunteeringmatters.org.uk) or [vInspired - Leaders in youth volunteer opportunities NCS](http://www.vinspired.org.uk) | [No We Can](http://www.no-we-can.org.uk) | [National Citizen Service \(wearencs.com\)](http://www.nationalcitizenservice.org.uk) | [I'm a young person - Volunteer Centre Sheffield](http://www.imayoungperson.org.uk) (sheffieldvolunteercentre.org.uk)

Join a local community club maybe helping out at a sports club, or charity event, litter picking, helping elderly people or others in your community with projects and events.



Info for our Year 11's relating to open events, Sheffield Progress and application processes.

Apprenticeships — Y11's who are still interested in apprenticeships but have not yet found an employer, you may be interested in looking for vacancies through some of the following:

[Apprenticeships with Sheffield City Council | Sheffield City Council](#)

[Browse apprenticeships before you apply](#) www.apprenticeships.gov.uk

[Apprenticeship Vacancies The Sheffield College \(sheffcol.ac.uk\)](#)

[Apprenticeship Vacancies | AMRC Training](#)

[Apprenticeships in Sheffield - Sheaf Digital](#)

[SYB Health and Social Care Careers :: Finding an Apprenticeship in Health and Social Care \(syrechealthandsocialcarecareers.co.uk\)](#)

For further information about apprenticeships please visit: [What is an apprenticeship? \(apprenticeships.gov.uk\)](#)

If you have left school and require further support with your post 16 plans you can still contact Sarah Dempsey or you can call Community Youth Services on 0114 273 4462 (M-F 1-4pm from 1/6/23) Sarah will be available in school on 24th August for GCSE Results day along with a representative from Sheffield College



Good Luck to our Y11's finishing their exams! Time to enjoy a restful summer and of course your Prom!

Useful information and opportunities for ALL year groups:



[Mental Health Support For Young People | YoungMinds](#)



[Children and Young People's Empowerment Project - Chilypep](#)

Also has lots of amazing wellbeing support information!



[Sheffield Youth Cabinet and UK Youth Parliament | Sheffield City Council](#)



[Home - Kooth](#)

FREE EXPERIENCE DAY
TUESDAY 24TH OCTOBER
IN MUSICAL THEATRE
OR ACTING
FOR AGES 14-18
(YEARS 10-13)

STAGWORKS COLLEGE

ENJOY WORKSHOPS WITH
 INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS,
 MEET STAFF AND STUDENTS,
 & EXPERIENCE A DAY
 AT THE COLLEGE

Send us an email admissions@stageworksstudio.co.uk
 Or visit www.stageworksstudio.co.uk/college
 TO FIND OUT MORE OR TO BOOK A PLACE



Stageworks are offering a free experience day for anyone interested in studying Musical Theatre, Acting & Professional Performance.

Visit:

www.stageworksstudio.co.uk/college for more details.

They are also still accepting applications for September 2023 entry if any current Year 11's are interested.



General Information for Parents & Carers

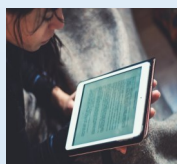


If you have missed any episodes of the recent 'Parent Perspective' podcasts in this fabulous collection you can catch them all again here:

[Apprenticeship resources for schools, teachers, parents \(amazingapprenticeships.com\)](https://amazingapprenticeships.com)



[Careers Advice for Parents - Youth Employment UK](https://careersadviceforparents.org.uk)



Online Parent/Carer Guides

For parents/carers of Years 10 & 11 [Careerpivot : Parent zone : All questions : What are the choices for my child at 16? Post-16 Options | UCAS](#)

For parents/carers of Years 8 & 9 [Careerpivot : Get information : Your choices at 14 : Choosing GCSEs: compulsory and optional GCSE choices: Practical ways to guide students | Undergraduate | UCAS](#)

All Years [targetcareers Parent's Guide 2022](#) SEND [LocalOffer | Sheffield \(sheffielddirectory.org.uk\)](#)

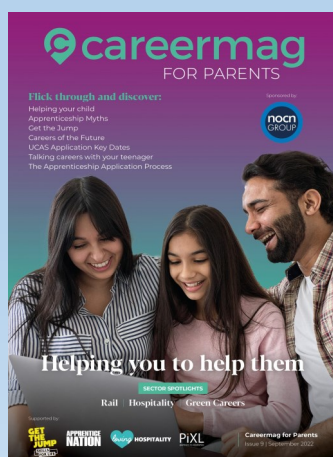
New 2022/23 FREE Parents Careers Guides available from the 'success at school' team

We are delighted to announce that the brand new 2023 **Parents guides to university and apprenticeships** was released in September 2022. Guides are available for parents and carers to access for **FREE** and will be sent directly to your inbox along with a **free bonus STEM careers guide**.



For more details and to sign up, click here: [New 2022/23 FREE parents careers guides - register today \(mailchi.mp\)](#)

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Many parents get in touch with us asking for advice on how to respond to their child when they ask this question. What may seem like a daunting question to many parents, doesn't actually have to be. Careermag for Parents connects parents, guardians and carers with up to date labour market information. We explain the various qualification routes available and bust myths and misconceptions along the way. Grab a cuppa and sit down with your child, there are lots of opportunities to explore!

Guides also available for school leavers, graduates and for lifelong learning.



Sheffield Winter Gardens

Tuesday 18th July

10am-3pm

#STHWOW23

World of Work Jobs & Careers Fair

**Interested in working for
the NHS?**

Come along to find out about NHS careers in:

- Administration
- Catering
- Dentistry
- Domestics
- Healthcare
- Nursing and many more!



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Careers Research

Careers research is a great way to generate ideas about what you might like to do when you have completed your studies. It will also help you to investigate different kinds of career areas and jobs and help to inspire you for the future. It can help you to think about the things you enjoy and the skills and qualities that you have. Why not start a research project of your own and be as creative as you can? These sites are a great starting point and can be used for all ages.



[Start – Careers Information for South Yorkshire \(startprofile.com\)](http://startprofile.com)

Careerpilot

[Careerpilot : Plan your future work & study](#)



[Career sectors and professions for school leavers | TARGETcareers](#)



[Explore careers | National Careers Service](#)



[home - i could](#)



Sheffield Progress is an online prospectus and application system for young people in Y11 to apply to school sixth forms, colleges and training providers as part of their Post 16 Options process.

Students in all year groups can access Sheffield Progress without needing an account to research the range of learning opportunities associated with their own interest areas. For example, you could research courses such as A Level subjects at Tapton School Sixth Form, Art & Design at Sheffield College, Engineering at UTC, Construction at Nacro, Sport at Sheffield Wednesday, Beauty at White Rose, etc There are so many providers and courses to look at which should give you helpful information and inspiration for the future.

Please visit: [Home \(sheffieldprogress.co.uk\)](http://sheffieldprogress.co.uk) to start your research.



If you are considering the possibility of Higher Education in the future as a potential Post 18 choice, you may find it helpful to explore UCAS which is the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service website. You can find out all about Higher Education opportunities which includes apprenticeships and colleges as well as universities.

Visit: [UCAS | At the heart of connecting people to higher education](#) to find out more or try the UCAS Careers Quiz at: [Careers Quiz | UCAS](#)



Would you like to find out more about your personality and discover possible career pathways for you?

Try the Complete-Careers Quiz by visiting: www.careersquiz.complete-careers.com



We hope you have enjoyed reading our newsletter. If you have any careers related news you would like us to include or have a topic you would like us to cover, we would love to hear from you.

Please email careers@bradfield.sheffield.sch.uk or pop and see Sarah Dempsey our Careers Adviser who can be found in the careers office at the back of the library or contact Mrs Carter—Careers Lead



Young People of Sheffield!

Engage with us....

- Maybe you like **making** art or making music?
- Maybe you like to **perform** or you like to be in the **audience**?
- Maybe you want to know more about how

to **get involved** in creative stuff that's going on around Sheffield?

- Maybe you want to know how to get into a **creative career**?
- Maybe you're clear about what it is you want to do, and think we might be able to **help** you? Create Sheffield is here to help all young people and children in Sheffield find out about and engage with all the brilliant creative things that there are on offer in our city.

What can I do?

Youth voice is at the heart of what we do and we want young people's voices to lead and inform all of our work at Create Sheffield. If you are interested in writing a [Story](#), [Adventure](#) or **taking over our social media**, get [in touch](#) we would love to hear from you



1. **Check out our [Partner](#) pages** - these are artists and companies that work with children and young people in Sheffield. They've all got different things to offer - activities, events, groups to join, work experience placements. (And if you already know about artists or companies in Sheffield who aren't part of our list but you think they should be - please tell us! This list is just the beginning...)

2. **Read our [Stories](#)** - these will tell you more about our Partners and the work they do. Have you been involved in a creative project in the city? Why don't you write about it - what did you do? What did you get out of being part of it? Then [send it to us](#) - we could feature it on our website as a story.

3. **Try out our [Adventures](#)** which help people explore, make and create in Sheffield. During Covid-19 lockdown, we added lots of fantastic **#homeadventures** filled with creative ideas useful for your home environment too. Use the hashtags to tell us when you've tried them out, and tell us what you think. If you fancy writing your own **Adventure**, we'd love to hear from you...

4. **Sign up to our [newsletter](#)** - it'll tell you more about what's happening.



5. You can follow us - on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) & [Instagram](#). Help us celebrate and share what you are doing, **tag us** and let us know what creative activities you are doing in Sheffield.

6. Tell us more about what you want to know or do or understand... we're looking at **Creative Careers**, for example - what would you like to know more about?

Visit: www.createsheffield.co.uk

Email: contactus@createsheffield.co.uk for more information



Whatever time of year it is, remember:

- Take care at the water's edge, it may be slippery and river banks could give way
- The water may be deeper or shallower than you think
- Rivers, lakes and weirs contain strong under currents that cannot be seen
- Always read and follow safety warnings
- Swim somewhere safe like a public swimming pool
- Never swim after drinking alcohol
- Never go near water on your own, if you do get into difficulties your friend will be able to get help



If someone is in difficulty in the water:

- Stay calm, shout for help and dial 999 and ask for the fire service
- Give your location or local landmarks if possible
- Never enter the water yourself



www.syfire.gov.uk

STAY SAFE NEAR WATER



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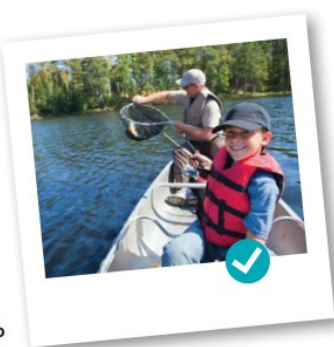
Summer safety

Firefighters often get called to rescue people from water in the summer months – normally because people enter water to cool off. But do you know the risks?

- Even on a hot day, water temperature is often much colder than you realise. It is much harder to swim in cold water, even if you are a strong swimmer
- You don't know what lies beneath the surface. There may be bottles or pieces of sharp metal, or things like weeds and fishing nets which could drag you under
- Open water often carries diseases like Hepatitis, Weils Disease or Typhoid, all of which can make you severely ill or even kill you

South Yorkshire has a large network of canals. These too can pose some specific dangers:

- Lock gates are very heavy and may crush you. They can open and close without warning
- The water may be very shallow, especially near the sill



- You can be dragged down as the water rushes out under the opening sluice gate, or when the water pours through the open paddle in the lock gate

The risks don't always involve public waterways. In the garden:

- Never leave small children unattended near ponds and pools
- Ensure water butts and similar containers are secure and sealed
- Empty paddling pools after use and turn them upside down
- Install a rigid mesh or grille across a pond to create a secure cover

Of course, summer can be a great time to enjoy water sports, but always:

- Wear a life jacket
- Enjoy sports in a safe environment with an instructor and the correct equipment



Winter safety

Frozen lakes, rivers, canals, weirs, reservoirs or ponds are beautiful places to visit during the winter months but all too often people risk their lives by venturing onto frozen water.

- Don't go out onto frozen water
- Keep pets on leads when near frozen water and resist throwing objects onto the ice for them to retrieve
- Make sure children stay well clear from the water's edge

If you see a person or an animal fall through the ice, do not go onto the ice to attempt a rescue.

- Dial 999 and give your exact location or nearby landmarks

DIAL 999

- Wait for the emergency services, remain calm and offer reassurance to the casualty

