

**COMMUNITY SUPPORT AND SPACES****Support & Cosy spaces**

Dedicated spaces and sessions to sit down for a cuppa, connect with others and access any support you may find helpful.

<b>Location</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Time/s</b>	<b>Extra info</b>
<b>Monday</b>			
Vange Library, Southview Road, Basildon, SS16 4ET	Space for a chat and a hot drink. Opportunity to play games and activities and receive money saving advice.	10am – 2pm (starting December)	Run by BBWCVS
<b>Tuesday</b>			
Laindon Library, New Century Road, Laindon, SS15 6AG	Space for a chat and a hot drink. Opportunity to play games and activities and receive money saving advice.	10am – 2pm (starting December)	Run by BBWCVS
Wickford Library, Unit 8, The Willows, Market Road, Wickford, SS12 0RA	Space for a chat and a hot drink. Opportunity to play games and activities and receive money saving advice.	10am – 2pm (starting December)	Run by BBWCVS
<b>Wednesday</b>			
Happy Hub, Unit 11, Eastgate Shopping Centre, SS14 1AE	Warm space but additionally support for asylum seekers and refugees fortnightly by British Red Cross	10am – 2pm	Run by BBWCVS
Reading Rooms, 73 High Street, Billericay, CM12 9AS	Weekly community sessions offering warm and friendly welcome to all members of the community for group activities, quizzes, games and arts and crafts. No pressure to join in.	10am – 12pm	Run by Human Kind
<b>Thursday</b>			
King Edward Community Centre, Laindon, SS15 6GY	Charging facilities, tea/coffee, soup, games/books	11am – 4pm	Run by Peabody, for all
<b>Saturday</b>			
The Place, Northlands Pavement, Pitsea, SS13 3DU	Different themed sessions, focusing on supporting individuals with their mental health and open to anyone to pop in for a cuppa and chat	12pm – 3pm	Run by The Craig Tyler Trust

**Warm Clothing & School Uniform Support**

Location	Description	Day/s	Time/s
Manor Mission Church, Laindon, SS15 6PA	Laindon School Uniform Bank connecting families with free preloved school uniform and children's fancy dress. They also help families save money on uniform, PE kit, coats, shoes, school bags and more.	Saturdays (fortnightly, next one 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov)	10am – 12pm
Chalvedon Community Centre and Social Club, 1 Chalvedon Square, Basildon, SS13 3QX	Pitsea School Uniform Bank connecting families with preloved school uniform.	Mondays	10am – 12.30pm
Chalvedon Community Centre and Social Club, 1 Chalvedon Square, Basildon, SS13 3QX	Craig Tyler Trust Vault - Mother and Children's group supporting children and guardians in need, clothing and homeware donations available and welcome, care packages, food parcels	Fridays	9am – 2pm
1 The Gore, Basildon, SS14 2EA	Community Resource Centre - clothes bank supplying smart clothing for job interviews and a small supply of warm clothing free of charge. By appointment only call 01268 450 040.	Monday - Friday	9.15am – 4pm
8-10 Billericay High Street, Billericay, CM12 9BQ	Billericay Baby Basics supports new mothers and families who are struggling with basic resources e.g. Moses baskets, baby hygiene products and new-born clothing.	Email to arrange collection: <a href="mailto:billericaybabybasics@gmail.com">billericaybabybasics@gmail.com</a>	
Storage King Basildon, Festival Leisure Park, Basildon	Basildon Borough Baby Bank supports new mothers and families who are struggling with basic resources e.g. Moses baskets, baby hygiene products and new-born clothing.	Email or call to arrange collection: <a href="mailto:basildonboroughbabies@outlook.com">basildonboroughbabies@outlook.com</a> 07740165941	

**Children and Family Resources / Support**

Organisation	Description	Email	Telephone
Family4sure	Promotes social inclusion for people from BAME communities and their families in Essex through networking, counselling and befriending	<a href="mailto:info@family4sure.co.uk">info@family4sure.co.uk</a>	07765 037373
Parents 1 <sup>st</sup> Essex	Offering peer support for mothers, fathers and babies in Essex.	<a href="mailto:info@parents1st.org.uk">info@parents1st.org.uk</a>	01268 525 758
Basildon Parents 4 Parents	Community support to parents in Basildon who face everyday	<a href="mailto:basildon.parent4parent@outlook.com">basildon.parent4parent@outlook.com</a>	07923426502

	challenges, Projects include ESOL group, art café, coffee mornings and after school youth project.		
Parents Aid	Supporting families at risk of social exclusion	<a href="mailto:info@parents-aid.org.uk">info@parents-aid.org.uk</a>	07890861255
HomeStart	Local community network of trained volunteers and experts helping families with young children through their challenging times.	info@home-startessex.org.uk	01245 847 410
SNAP (Special Needs and Parents)	Support for families with children and young people aged 0-25 who have any special need or disability.	info@snapcharity.org	<a href="tel:01277211300">01277 211300</a>
BOSP (Brighter Opportunities for Special People)	Support for children and young adults with complex disabilities or life-limiting conditions. Support includes high-quality, fun, educational activities, and respite care.	enquiries@bosp.co.uk	01268 553117

Speak to Basildon Council's Community Engagement team at <https://www.basildon.gov.uk/communityengagement> or visit them at Basildon Library if you would like personalised help with:

- Developing new skills to help you find a new role
- Managing council tax payments
- Finding which benefits you are entitled to
- Assistance with Universal Credit and benefits applications
- Help with housing issues
- Support with homelessness
- Contacting support services if you are struggling with mental health