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UPCOMING EVENTS

Spellman Care
Presents

IT'S ANNUAL 2025

**CHRISTMAS CAKE
COMPETITION**

3RD DECEMBER 2025

AT STEETON COURT NURSING HOME

WITH SINGER AND HOST, CRAIG CARLISLE

Join us for the 2025 Annual Spellman Care Christmas Cake Competition, where our Kitchen Teams will compete, and residents will choose the ultimate winner!

2 PM TO 4 PM

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RECEPTION TEAM

Spellman Care

SPELLMAN SPOTLIGHT

1st December, 2025

Kindness | Dignity | Compassion



POIGNANT REMEMBRANCE COMMEMORATIONS ACROSS THE REGION

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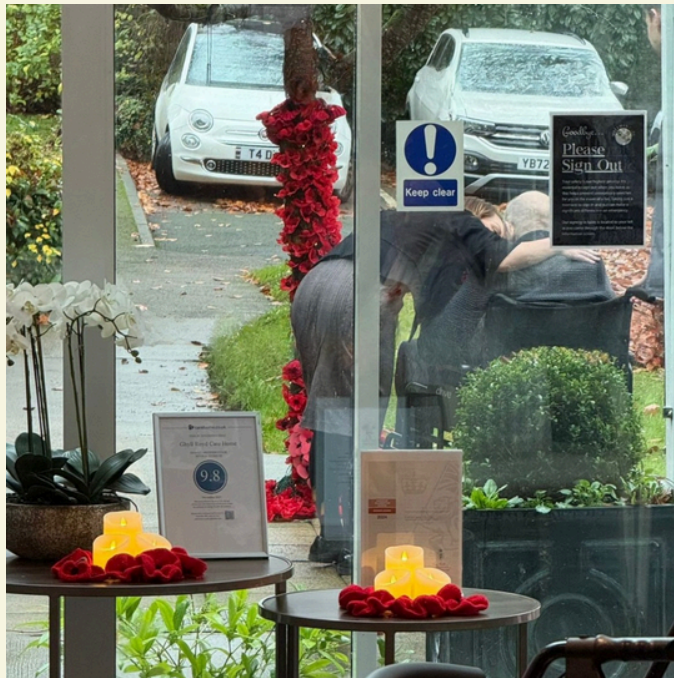
The Spellman Care Group, a collection of four care homes—Craven Nursing Home, Ghyll Royd Care Home, Springbank Care Home, and Steeton Court Nursing Home—united in a series of deeply moving services and community events to mark Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day. (Continued page 2)

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VETERAN FRIENDLY

REMEMBRANCE



Poignant Remembrance

Commemorations across the region (continued)...

The commemorations, which spanned crafting, community parades, and solemn reflection across all locations, were especially poignant given the group's recent re-accreditation under the Veteran Friendly Framework, underscoring their enduring commitment to honouring the sacrifices of the

Armed Forces community.

The Remembrance Sunday weekend began with a focus on personal contribution and community presence. Residents at Craven Nursing Home spent Saturday creating beautiful, handmade poppy wreaths and decorating their units. On Remembrance Sunday itself, staff and residents proudly joined the wider community at the Skipton Remembrance Parade, where they had the honour of laying a wreath to pay their respects to the fallen.

Springbank Care Home demonstrated its deep connection to the forces community by participating in the ceremony at the Keighley Cenotaph on Remembrance Sunday. It was an immense privilege to see their veteran residents, supported by dedicated staff, participate in the ceremony and lay a wreath. The service provided a cherished opportunity to share a moment of respectful silence with familiar faces from their Veterans Cafés, concluding with companionship and reflection at the Keighley Drill Hall.

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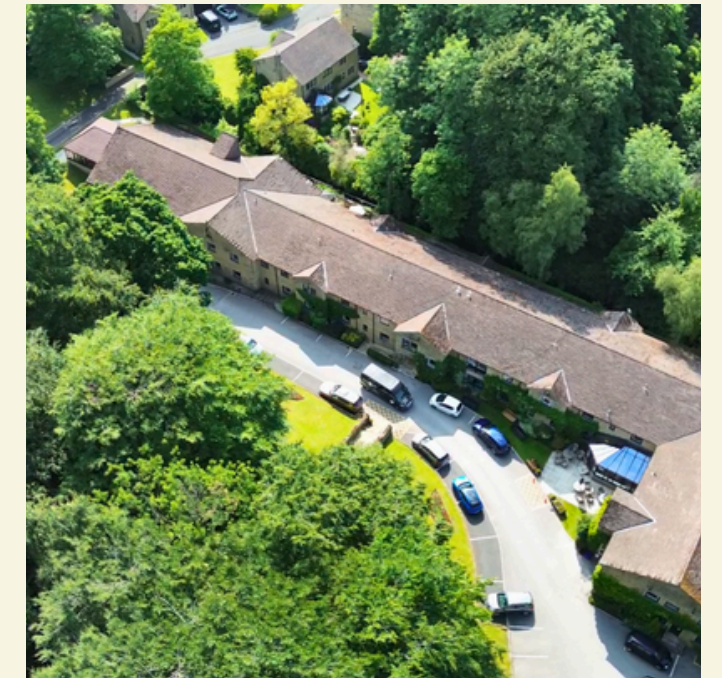
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Steeton Court Hosts Highly Successful Care Home Finance Q&A Session (continued)...

It is our hope that by providing direct access to professional financial expertise, we have helped to ease some of the worry and ensured our local community is well-informed and prepared."

Steeton Court Nursing Home remains committed to supporting its community and looks forward to hosting similar informative sessions in the future.



ACTIVITIES

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Steeton Court Hosts Highly Successful Care Home Finance Q&A Session

Steeton Court Nursing Home is pleased to announce the successful hosting of a vital, free-to-attend Question and Answer session focused on the often-complex topic of Care Home Finances, held in partnership with local experts, Hogg Financial Planning.

The informative event, which was open to all members of the community, took place at Steeton Court Nursing Home, Steeton Hall Gardens, BD20 6SW, on Tuesday, INSERT DATE HERE.

The session was designed to provide much-needed clarity and guidance on care costs. The experts from Hogg Financial Planning provided valuable insights and answered questions on a range of crucial subjects, including Power of Attorney, Will Writing, Care Home Fees & Funding Care, and understanding the role of SOLLA (Society of Later Life Advisers). The aim of the evening was to empower attendees with the knowledge needed to make informed decisions about their own or a loved one's financial future.

The event saw strong attendance from community members seeking professional guidance on these complex financial matters. Caroline Cowland, Home Manager at Steeton Court Nursing Home, commented on the success of the evening: "Planning for care home finances can be a daunting process, and we understand that people often have many complex questions. We were delighted to partner with Hogg Financial Planning to offer this free, no-obligation Q&A session. The turnout and the level of engagement were fantastic. (Continued page 7)

VETERAN FRIENDLY

REMEMBRANCE

Poignant Remembrance Commemorations across the region (continued)...

Following the service, the D-Day Dollies captivated residents in the home's Willow Lounge. They performed a delightful variety of classic wartime hits and took requests, ensuring the atmosphere remained one of joyful, heartfelt remembrance.

Meanwhile, at Steeton Court Nursing Home, the two minutes' silence was observed at 11 am. Later that afternoon, two residents—including a former RAF serviceman and the home's Armed Forces Champion—laid a poppy wreath at their local memorial, taking a quiet moment to salute all who have served.



The homes also combined creative arts and entertainment with solemn tribute. Steeton Court residents crafted lapel poppies to add to a beautiful giant ring of poppies and enjoyed a wonderful Remembrance special concert by Olivia Schofield. Springbank rounded off the period of reflection with a truly special morning, featuring a coffee morning and a fantastic memory box, kindly donated by Boots, which sparked emotional and happy memories amongst residents.

Philippa Young, Group Operations Manager at Spellman Care, commented: "What we saw truly underscores the heart of Spellman Care. Moments of profound personal devotion, whether it was a tearful wreath-laying beneath a poppy tree or the unwavering salute at a local memorial, moved every person present. Remembrance for our residents is a deeply personal act of honouring lost comrades. It is our critical commitment to ensure our residents have the space and support to remember, honour their unique histories, and keep those sacrifices alive."

ACHIVEMENTS

AWARDS



Eve Kelk, Springbank Head Chef

Springbank Care Home Head Chef Eve Highly Commended at Prestigious Great British Care Awards

Springbank Care Home is thrilled to announce that its dedicated Head Chef, Eve, has been officially 'Highly Commended' in The Care Home Cook/Chef Award category at the Great British Care Awards, Yorkshire and the Humber Region.

This significant recognition highlights Eve's exceptional skill, innovative approach to nutritional care, and profound dedication to enhancing the daily lives of residents through exceptional dining experiences.

The annual Great British Care Awards celebrate excellence across the care sector, recognising individuals who demonstrate outstanding commitment to quality care. Eve was honoured in the highly competitive Cook/Chef category for her approach that seamlessly blends high-quality catering with essential resident independence and wellbeing.

The judges were particularly impressed by her dedication to person-centred dining, noting:

"Eve combines culinary skill with resident-focused innovation, adapting meals to ensure independence, nutrition, and enjoyment. Her leadership, creativity, and commitment to sharing knowledge with her team enhance the dining experience and wellbeing of residents, making her an inspiring and deserving candidate."

Eve added: "I'm truly honoured to have been recognised at the Great British Care Awards. For me, working in a care home is about so much more than preparing meals — it's (continued page 5)..."

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Springbank Care Home Head Chef Eve Highly Commended at Prestigious Great British Care Awards (continued)...

about creating moments of joy, comfort, and connection through food. Every dish we serve is made with care, attention, and a genuine understanding of what our residents enjoy and need. I'm so proud of my team at Springbank — this recognition belongs to all of us who share a

passion for making every mealtime special."

Lisa Pickles, Registered Manager at Springbank Care Home, commented on the achievement: "We are immensely proud of Eve. This 'Highly Commended' status is truly deserved and reflects the heart she puts into every single meal. She understands that food is not just about nutrition; it's a vital part of social interaction and quality of life for our residents. Her innovative techniques and passion make our dining room a highlight of the day."

Eve's kitchen leadership includes training her team to ensure all dietary requirements, texture modifications, and personal preferences are met with the same level of care and attention, ensuring dining remains a dignified and enjoyable experience for all.



Lisa Pickles, Springbank Home Manager