What is the Safe Places Scheme?
Safe Places are accessible public buildings in York, like libraries, cafes, shops and museums. They have agreed to display a sticker in their window to demonstrate they will provide a safe and supportive space if someone who is vulnerable needs to ask for help while out and about.

We are developing a network of Safe Places across the city.

We want a wide variety of businesses and organisations to be involved so that help is available nearby to people when they’re out in their local community. Staff in Safe Places will receive information and awareness training so they can help people who experience any difficulties.

How does Safe Places work?

1. If a vulnerable person is lost, unwell, confused or has been a victim of a crime they can look for the Safe Place logo and come in for support during opening hours.

2. Members of the Safe Place scheme may choose to carry a card with their name and the details of someone they trust to contact if they need support.

3. Staff in registered Safe Places will listen and try to help.

4. If the vulnerable person requires additional support, staff contact the trusted person listed on the back of their card (if carried) or the police, depending on the situation, to come and assist.

5. They then wait with the person until their trusted contact arrives or the situation is resolved.

Where are the Safe Spaces in York?
Safe Places schemes operate around the UK, and the new scheme in York is still recruiting venues across the city. The easiest way to check out where they are is to visit www.yorkcsvs.org.uk/safeplaces
How can my business become a Safe Place?

To become a registered Safe Place in York you’ll need to complete an application form via York CVS. We will check your venue meets simple standards and then provide you with your Safe Place information pack, awareness training for staff, and ongoing informal support.

How do I register for a card?

Go to www.yorkcvs.org.uk/safeplaces York CVS to complete a registration form online. Want a printed or easy read version? No problem! Contact us on: safeplaces@yorkcvs.org.uk or call 01904 621133.

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