

New Age UK East Sussex charity shop opens in the heart of Eastbourne

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Age UK East Sussex has officially opened a new charity shop in Langney Road, providing a welcoming new space for the community to shop, donate and support older people across the county.

Located in Langney Road, the new shop offers a wide range of quality clothing, books, household goods and other pre-loved items, all raising vital funds to support the charity's work with older people in East Sussex.

The opening was marked by a visit from The Worshipful the Mayor of Eastbourne, Councillor Margaret Bannister, alongside representatives from Age UK East Sussex, volunteers and members of the local community.

"It's wonderful to be here to help celebrate the opening of Age UK East Sussex's new shop. This is a positive step for the charity and for the many older people across our community who will benefit from its work."

Supporting older people across East Sussex

Age UK East Sussex is a local, independent charity that has been supporting older people in the community for over 75 years. With a dedicated team of staff and volunteers, the charity delivers services, activities and advice that make a real difference to people in later life.

The charity supports thousands of older people each year, helping to reduce loneliness, improve wellbeing and enable people to live independently for as long as possible.

A shop with a purpose

The new Eastbourne shop is one of five charity shops and two furniture stores across the county that are run by Age UK East Sussex. As well as offering great value items, the shop plays an important role in funding the charity's frontline services and creating opportunities for volunteering in the local area.

"I was so happy when I saw that this new shop was looking for volunteers. I applied straight away as I've been out of work for a while and wanted to build my confidence again," said one new volunteer. "So far it has been everything I hoped it would be. The team are lovely and the customers are friendly. It's done so much for me already."

Get involved – Volunteer with us

Age UK East Sussex is inviting local people to get involved by volunteering at the new Eastbourne shop.

There are a variety of roles available to suit different interests and availability - from welcoming customers and serving on the shop floor, to sorting donations and preparing stock behind the scenes. Whether someone can spare a few hours a week or more regular time, there is something for everyone.

Volunteering with Age UK East Sussex is a great way to meet new people, learn new skills and be part of a friendly team - all while helping to raise vital funds to support older people across East Sussex.

Anyone interested in volunteering can speak to the team in store, call 01273 476704, or email volunteers@ageukeastsussex.org.uk to find out more.

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