

# Pledging to be (Human)Kind



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#### Who are we?

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#### **HumanKind at Calke**

Exploring stories of isolation and loneliness, kindness and compassion.

Can cultural organisations play a role in tackling modern-day loneliness?

# The Pledge Wall

Can we use our social media to encourage acts of kindness?



#### What did we do?

Consulted on the best pledges
Planned pledge activity
Posted one pledge per week
on all three channels
regionally and at property

# LOOK AFTER YOUR WELLBEING

**SMILE** 



Smiling makes you and those around you feel better.

So this week, inspired by HumanKind at National Trust Calke Abbey we're pledging to smile a bit more.

We'd love to hear what makes you smile. Are there people, places or things that always bring a smile to your face?



**SMILE** 



#### What went well?

Posted every week

Some good engagement –
especially on property
channels
Internal interest

#### What was difficult?

Distance

Time

Deciding what to do

Challenging feedback

Keeping going



This week, we're continuing our pledges to be kind, inspired by HumanKind at Calke. As well as other people, it's important to be kind to yourself, so we're pledging to look after our wellbeing

Research suggests there are 5 ways to wellbeing:

- Connect with others
- Be active
- Take notice of the small things around you
- Keep learning
- Give support to someone else

Will you pledge to do one of these five things this week? Keep an eye out as we share our personal pledges – and let us know what you're doing to look after your wellbeing.





#### What did we learn?

This stuff is *hard* 

Worked better at property than region

Important to match the expectations of your supporters

## **Next steps**

Continue at Calke
Continue to share internally
Train more property staff
Back to Backs...?



Donating food is a simple way to spread joy and make someone's day a little easier.

We'd love to hear how someone has helped you out – from popping over with some milk to cooking an extra cottage pie.

Share your stories of kindness here.

#YourCalke #donatefood



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### **Key take-aways**

Our audience <u>does</u> respond to content that matches their values.

We should do more of this. It's not "one size fits all".



