



## Bringing the power of playlists to your community with Help Points

We are partnering with local community organisations across the UK to set up Playlist for Life Help Points. We provide free training and materials to enable organisations to bring the power of playlists to their area and offer people with dementia living at home somewhere to go for advice and support.

It is our aim that every town and borough in the UK has a Help Point by the end of 2019. Does your community need a Help Point? Would you like to help set one (or two!) up?

Organisations that can benefit from becoming Help Points include dementia/memory cafes, places of worship, libraries, carers groups, befriending groups for older people, football clubs, community centres, day care centres etc. Care homes can also become Help Points if they meet the criteria.

It's easy... a Help Point can be as simple as a permanent display of our A2 poster and our leaflets. Some organisations will also be able to run a drop-in session where a trained volunteer will be on hand to answer questions and give help and advice. Help Points can incorporate their drop-in into activities they already run.

Organisations can apply to be Help Points by filling out the online application on our website by visiting [www.playlistforlife.org.uk](http://www.playlistforlife.org.uk), finding the Get Involved menu and clicking on Set Up A Help Point.

### Potential Help Points should meet the following criteria:

- A desire to bring the power of playlists to the people in their community
- Already support people with dementia or those caring for them
- Have physical premises with good public footfall
- Can have a permanent display of Playlist for Life materials easily accessible to members of the public popping in.
- Have volunteers who will undertake our free training
- Want to connect with like-minded organisations, to share ideas and discover new ways to improve their existing services.

A display copy of our **Setting Up Your Help Point** guide is available to show to prospective organisations along with a pdf version which can be sent via email.

### Further reading

*Organisations that make good Help Points and how to approach them.doc*

If you have any further questions about approaching organisations in your area, please drop us a line on 0141 404 0683 and ask to speak to one of our Communities Officers.