

What is Huddle?

Huddle is an online network that allows users to connect, share and work together easily.

It is already used by a wide variety of organisations; from big companies such as Boots and Kia Cars, to local government such as Cheltenham Borough Council and charities including Plymouth Mind.

LAFs and Huddle

A workspace has been created on Huddle specifically for LAFs. This is an area for you to upload useful documents, start discussions with other LAFs, share information and best practice ideas. It allows you to work with others when a face to face meeting is not possible. You can make links with other LAFs that may have similar interests and priorities to yours but are the other side of the country!

The screenshot shows the Huddle workspace for 'NE - Local Access Forum'. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the user's name 'Jenny Parsons', 'My Dashboard', 'Search', 'Help', and 'Sign Out'. Below this is a header area with the 'Local Access Forum' logo and a navigation menu with tabs for 'Overview', 'Whiteboards', 'Tasks', 'Discussions', 'Files', and 'People'. The main content area is titled 'Workspace Overview' and includes a welcome message: 'Welcome to the LAF workspace on Huddle.' Below this, there are several paragraphs of text providing instructions on how to use the workspace, including information about sharing information, watching an introductory video, creating whiteboards, and using the files tab. A 'My Calendar' section is visible, showing a 2-week view of a calendar with a 'HertsLAF Public Meeting' event on Tuesday, September 20. At the bottom, there is a 'What's New' section with a 'Show 10 items' dropdown menu and a table with columns for 'Title', 'Added By', and 'Date Added'.

Huddle is absolutely free for LAFs to use, there will be no cost incurred to LAFs or local authorities for the use of Huddle.

It is a really simple tool to use and full training will be provided to all who are interested in using it. Training will be provided by regional coordinators and ongoing support will be available from Natural England.

Huddle can be accessed from anywhere, all you need is a connection to the internet.