



Welcome to our October Newsletter!

This communication is your go-to source for updates and insights on our latest initiatives. We'll also be sharing some interesting content related to our efforts, so you can stay informed and engaged with our work.

The Ban Box Shifting Campaign Has Officially Launched



www.banboxshifting.org

Exciting progress has been made since our last update. The Ban Box Shifting campaign was officially launched publicly on 25th September, with the announcement featuring in multiple outlets including [The Times](#), [CoStar](#) and [Local Gov](#). This has prompted some much-needed discussion about business rates across the property, retail, and charitable sectors. The campaign's mission is to continue to gather support from MPs and Councillors across England, by having them sign Ban Box Shifting's Open Letter. You can view the letter and find out more information on the Ban Box Shifting website [here](#).

The Department of Levelling Up, Housing and Communities *Business Rates Avoidance and Evasion Consultation* closed on 28th September, to which Shaylesh Patel made a submission on behalf of Temporary Use Aid. The submission urges the Government to make necessary changes to prevent unethical business rates avoidance, and to introduce measures that encourage landlords to work with charitable organisations and initiatives to help them provide services to local communities.

If you'd like to support our mission, write to your local MP or Councillor on this matter - we've included some simple instructions for how to do so on Ban Box Shifting's website

[Visit Ban Box Shifting](#)



Navigating the Maze: Considerations in Charity Logistics

Charities and non-profit organizations play a crucial role in addressing societal challenges, ranging from poverty alleviation to disaster relief. These organizations rely on the generosity of donors to fund their initiatives, but equally important is the efficient and effective distribution of resources to those in need. This is where charity logistics comes into play, a multifaceted and often underestimated aspect of charitable work. In this article, we will delve into the considerations of charity logistics and how they impact the success of charitable endeavours.

[Read this blog](#)

Shining a Light on National Blindness

Awareness Month: The Vital Role of Charities

October is a special month for those advocating for increased awareness and support for individuals living with blindness and visual impairments. It is National Blindness Awareness Month, a time to shine a spotlight on the challenges faced by the blind and visually impaired and the remarkable work carried out by charities to improve their lives. In this article, we'll delve into the importance of raising awareness about blindness and explore the incredible contributions of charities in this regard.

[Read more](#)



No-Cost Event Space Available from Sept - Dec 2023



No-Cost Event Space Opportunity in Central London

Attention to all those who might still be planning corporate christmas do's, fundraising or other events for this calendar year.

ASTOP & Temporary Use Aid have a great opportunity for you!

We have recently come into possession of around 3,000 sq feet of open plan office space in the heart of central London, and we are able to offer it out to our network as a bookable event venue, FREE OF CHARGE.

Key details:

- Central London location (near Liverpool Street Station)
- Free-to-use event space
- Open plan office style
- Minimal seating available
- Suitable for events of up to 120 people, depending on format

As the space is made available free of charge, we encourage those who would like to use it, to include some form of charitable contribution, fundraising or raffle element, etc., as a chance to show commitment to giving back to the charity sector in these challenging times. This is optional.

Availability:

This venue is only available between now and December 31st 2023.

Please note, the event space is a blank canvas for your team to build your event upon. We do not offer much in terms of equipment hire, but we are happy to introduce you to an event planner, etc.

If you would like to find out more, visit our web page below or send an email.

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- Practical Guidance
- Rent Free temporary space

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