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Makers' Night returns

Ruddington Village Market's special "Makers' Night" returns next month, building on the success of the first events in 2019. Held from 4pm until 9pm on Friday 10th September, the night will play host to over 60 artisan makers from the local area and across the region.



The event is being organised by the award-winning Ruddington Village Centre Partnership (RVCP) in collaboration with the Framework Knitters' Museum and the Debbie Bryan Gallery, and supported by the European Regional Development Fund.



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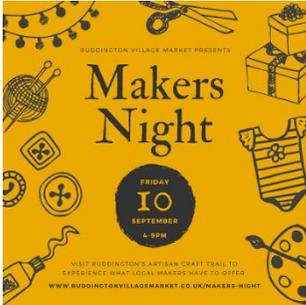


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This year's Makers' Night expands from the original three indoor village venues, now growing to six indoor and outdoor locations. These are: The Cottage Hotel, The Frame Breakers, The Village Green, St Peter's Church and The White Horse Inn, plus the Framework Knitters' Museum with a Young Makers' showcase.



As with the first Makers' Nights, the evening promises a fantastic atmosphere with live music, street food, late night shopping in the village centre, and more pop-up makers' stalls held within shops on High Street and Church Street.

To find out more about Makers' Night 2021, head over to www.ruddingtonvillagemarket.co.uk/makers-night, follow @ruddingtonvillagemarket on Instagram and Facebook, and @ruddmarket on Twitter. Also, look out for the special flyer coming to letterboxes all over Rushcliffe this August, and banners and posters appearing soon.

Mark Pinks, RVCPC

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Redrow confirmed as second Fairham developer

Redrow East Midlands has been announced as the second company set to develop new homes at Fairham.

The company has submitted a planning application for 93 new homes on the first phase of the development, situated off Nottingham Road in Clifton, to the north of the 606 acre site.

It will offer a mix of housing types, including one to five-bedroom houses with 10% being affordable homes. Redrow is looking to start work on-site before the end of this year, with the first homes being available in 2022.

The main contractor, Winvic Construction Ltd, has been appointed for the first phase of infrastructure work - and groundworks and exploratory work have been ongoing at the site since September last year.

Land and Planning Director with Clowes Developments, Robert Hepwood, said: "We welcome Redrow to Fairham and look forward to them making good progress on the first new homes for this new neighbourhood.

"We are now starting to see increased activity across the site and over the coming twelve months we will be progressing work at pace by working closely with our development partners to bring more high quality homes and infrastructure to fruition."



We're sorry to announce that the Wednesday Coffee Club in St Peter's Rooms won't be reopening as other things get back to normal.

Lorna McCullough, who's been organising this Morning for over 25 years, finds she cannot cope after her stroke. Meanwhile, Pat and Judy, who've helped over all the years, feel they won't be able to help either.

All we need to rectify this is for a couple of people to think about taking it over. All it needs is two or three of you to get together to organise it, and I promise you it will run itself! It has always been very popular and some people are still hoping it will come back.

It was never meant to be a money-raising organisation, but we've been able to put some money back into the village. We've given £100 to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal and £200 to the Ruddington Methodist Church towards their new refurbishment.

We'd like to take the chance to thank all who have supported the Coffee Morning over the years, whether helping, or coming along every week to support us and each other.

If you wish to learn more with a view to running this popular morning, the Parish Council have my (Lorna's) details, so please get in touch.

Thanks to so many people for so many happy years.

Lorna, Pat and Judy

Vaccinations update

The local COVID-19 vaccination booking system remains open to everyone aged 18 and over. You can now book appointments at a larger vaccination centre or pharmacy, or wait to be invited to a local NHS service.



Or, you can book your vaccination using the [Swiftqueue service](#) or by calling 0115 883 4640. You don't need to wait for a letter to arrive.

It's possible that certain groups of at-risk 16 and 17 year olds may be offered a vaccine in the near future, but the Government won't be rolling out the jab to all children just yet.

For all enquiries on vaccination appointments, please visit [Nottingham and Nottinghamshire's CCG website](#).

Please keep testing and wearing face masks!

England has now entered Step 4 of the COVID-19 roadmap with no restrictions in place. The Prime Minister has asked people to keep wearing face coverings in crowded or enclosed areas, such as shops and on public transport.

The Borough Council is continuing to remind residents to take a regular lateral flow test at home or at one of [Rushcliffe's Community Testing sites](#) until further notice. Please remember that if you develop any symptoms, you should [book a test](#) straightaway.

Signage at Borough Council sites informs Councillors, staff, residents and visitors to "please wear a face covering should you wish to".

Meanwhile at Nottingham University Hospitals including QMC and City Hospital, those attending the sites still need wear a face mask, use hand sanitiser and socially distance two metres until further notice, to help keep vulnerable patients and staff safe.

For the latest information, please visit www.gov.uk/coronavirus.

Rebrand for GCRN

The new GCRN Board has decided to rebrand the railway as the "Nottingham Heritage Railway", effective immediately.

We felt it was time to freshen up the railway's image, and the new name is more inclusive and reflective of our strong links with the City of Nottingham and the Rushcliffe area. The rebranding has now taken place across all media.

We'll be asking local schools to participate in a design competition for a new logo, which we've asked Ruth Edwards, our local MP, to judge.

The existing legal and regulatory name will remain unchanged.

Mike Newton – GCRN Chairman
On behalf of the Board of Directors – GCRN

Editor's Note: As activities ramp up, the Nottingham Heritage Railway is looking for more volunteers to join its existing team. A post on Facebook says: "The Board is looking to create an active pool of volunteers to assist the new Site and Operations directors, so please step forward if you are not already involved and would like to help.

More broadly, if you have skills of any relevant nature or just plain enthusiasm, and would like to be involved at the NHR, please email the board at directors@gcrn.co.uk.

We need to strengthen in every area. Whether you are interested in administration, H&S, finance, catering, marketing, engineering, train crew or operations is unimportant. We can find a role for you."

CAP course

St Peter's Church to help people become savvy with their cash

To help people in Ruddington avoid the post-Covid economic chill, St Peter's church is to run free sessions to help local people get on top of their household finances.

Members of St Peter's wanted to help their local community to best handle the changing economic climate and have undergone specialised training from UK charity Christians Against Poverty (CAP).



They're offering the short course aimed to putting the joy back into money by teaching people how to chart their household income and take control of their expenditure.

Money coach Tim Pickup, who will be leading the sessions called the CAP Money course, said: "With most households feeling a squeeze on their disposable income, we've all got to get a bit more savvy about our money. If you know how to save and budget effectively, it can have a hugely positive impact on the whole family."

St Peter's is becoming one of more than 1,000 churches of different Christian traditions across the UK who are regularly offering the course, as they work together to positively impact the communities around them.

The CAP Money Course has been found to be useful for people at all stages of life from students to new families and right through to the newly retired. The simple techniques for money management have helped large numbers of people keep control of their finances and overcome the financial bumps in life. The course is not about recommending products or services but outlines simple ways people can get control of their finances.

Andrew Buchanan, Vicar of St Peter's, added: "The church is about good news, and, in this case, the good news is that people can be helped, quietly and confidentially, to take control of their money rather than relying on guess work so they can plan for the future and weather the storm."

The course, which is in three sessions, takes place in The Hermitage, Wilford Road, Ruddington, starting on Saturday 14th August.

To find out more about the CAP Money Course visit www.capmoneycourse.org and to book your place on the course. Or, you can telephone 07407423088 and leave a contact number, or email stpeterscap@gmail.com.

Ruddington says “YES!”



RUDDINGTON Neighbourhood Plan

Volunteers from the Ruddington Neighbourhood Plan (RNP) team say they're delighted that residents have overwhelmingly backed their vision for our village in the referendum held on Thursday 22nd July 2021.

Once counting was completed, it was revealed that 1,068 votes were cast, out of which an overwhelming 91.2% of voters were in favour of the Plan with just 8.5% against. There were 3 spoilt ballot papers.

This ringing endorsement means that the policies on the development and use of land in our village that the RNP contains will now carry legal weight. In future, Rushcliffe Borough Council must consider the plan in relation to all planning applications and appeals.

Moreover, with the Plan in place, 25% of the revenues from the Community Infrastructure Levy arising from local development will be paid directly to Ruddington Parish Council, to be used on projects that will benefit our community – which is significantly higher than before.

Paul Reedman, of the RNP team, says: “We were really pleased with the overwhelming support the Neighbourhood Plan has received in the

referendum. Our village now has a real say in future development in the Parish.”

Mike Gaunt, who is both a Ruddington Parish Councillor and Rushcliffe Borough Councillor, agrees: “This is fantastic news for Ruddington after many years of dedicated hard work by an amazing bunch of local Ruddington volunteers. Hopefully now having a Neighbourhood Plan can mean that Ruddington will be able to engage positively in the local planning around our village rather than feeling like we are always fighting against it. A really special thanks is needed for all of those involved as it has been a long and difficult process for them. Thank you!”

He continues: “I will now ensure that the Neighbourhood Plan is properly used and implemented by the Parish and Borough.”



Fellow Borough Councillor, Jen Walker, comments: “Wonderful! Thank you all for your hard work” whilst former Parish Councillor Barbara Breakwell adds: “Well done to everyone who contributed to the formulation and adoption of the plan.”

However, given the importance of the plan for Ruddington's future, the delight that the vast majority of voters approved it is tinged with slight disappointment that only 18.44% of residents eligible to take part actually did so. This was despite extensive local publicity about the referendum, some good weather and the option to vote by post.

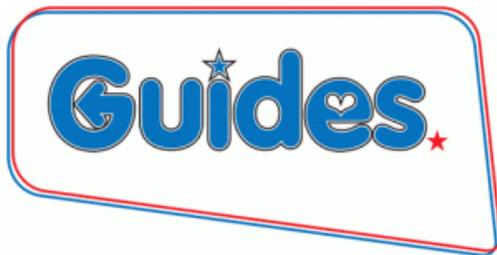
However, Paul Reedman responds: "The turnout in local votes is, traditionally, quite low and we were very satisfied with the number of people who turned out to endorse the Plan."

For those concerned about future overdevelopment of our village, the RNP's adoption can't come too soon, with the spectre of thousands more houses being approved on Ruddington's Green Belt by 2038 due to the Greater Nottingham Strategic Plan – Growth Options Consultation published by Greater Nottingham Strategic Plan – Growth Options Consultation published by Greater Nottingham Planning Partnership. If rubber-stamped, these proposals would effectively 'join' Ruddington with neighbouring villages and conurbations.

You can read about what happens next with The Neighbourhood Plan at www.ruddingtonnp.org.uk/news.

Graham Wright via RUDDINGTON.info

Ruddington District Girl Guiding needs YOU!



Has the pandemic left you wanting to do more and give something back to your community? Are you wanting to let your hair down and have some fun?

If you answered YES, then maybe we could be your answer.

We're on the lookout for some new vibrant volunteer leaders. This could be as much or as little time as you can offer.



We hold meetings across the district at different times and days throughout the week. If you'd like to find out more, please email ruddingtongirlguiding@outlook.com.

Come and join our girl guiding family – I guarantee you'll love it!

Ruddington District Girl Guiding

Diary Note

With Step 4 of the lockdown roadmap now confirmed, life is beginning to get back to normal in the village.

However, we don't yet have enough information about confirmed events to create a diary page.

For the latest information on events and activities, we suggest you contact organisers and venues, or check social media pages.

The [Ruddington Mums Facebook page](#) and [RUDDINGTON.info](#) are two useful sources of information.

If you go inside any of our village businesses or outlets, or use public transport, please wear a face covering and observe social distancing if you can, although this is no longer mandatory.

Think: "Hands, Face, Space, Fresh Air" and stay safe!

Crime figures

For June 2021, these were as follow:

- 2 x theft of fuel
- 3 x criminal damage
- 2 x theft
- 3 x burglary
- 4 x theft from vehicle

For crime prevention advice, please visit www.nottinghamshire.police.uk/advice.

Please respond to electoral canvass emails



Rushcliffe
Borough Council

Residents across the Borough are being sent an email asking you to confirm your household details to make sure you're registered to vote for future elections as part of the Borough Council's electoral canvass.

When you receive an email, you can visit www.householdresponse.com/rushcliffe to confirm your details. In order to complete your online response, you'll need your security codes, which will be provided by the Council, and your postcode.

If you need to add any new voters at your address, you'll also need to complete a registration application. You can do this at <https://www.gov.uk/register-to-vote>. The Council will then send each person a form if they don't apply online.

If no response is received to the email, and for properties where the Council doesn't hold an email address, a paper form will be posted in the coming weeks. If you receive a paper form, please follow the instructions and respond where necessary.

Free help for prospective business owners

Prospective new business owners in the Borough are being signposted to completely free training and advice to take their enterprise dream forward through a partnership with Rebel on Demand.

Rushcliffe Borough Council has joined forces with the team from the online small business experts to give potential new owners insight, advice and tips at a time to suit them, and explore where a business idea can be transferred into a trading reality.

Their specially curated video, written and audio content is available to all learners 24 hours a day, seven days a week. The advice is intended to be a starting point for a new business with short videos and helpful tips including analysing the concept of their potential business idea.

They include words on getting unstuck from the concept of a new business idea, how to choose which idea would make a sustainable business and how to get better results to step back and re-evaluate what and how to invest into a business.

There are also short video courses on building a business without debt, growing with Google, making sales, the arts of marketing, getting a business online, tax and accounting and building business resilience.

The courses and training materials are all created by the Rebel Team, who have over a decade of small business training and practical experience to help anyone make a business idea into reality. Residents can simply sign up for free at www.therebelschool.com.

The online course notes are written so they can be experienced independently from the live course, so everyone interested can participate in line with their own schedule.

Goodbye to Inspector Berry



Nottinghamshire Police Rushcliffe Inspector Craig Berry has moved on from his role after accepting a new position elsewhere in the organisation.

He said: "I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your unwavering support for policing in Rushcliffe over the five years that I have been based here.

"It has been the highlight of my career to date and I have thoroughly enjoyed working with you all.

"I am sure you will join me in welcoming Inspector Rob Lawton to Rushcliffe and that you will support him as he settles into the role."

Action to reduce extinction threat to hedgehogs

A motion was passed at Rushcliffe Borough Council's Full Council meeting on 1st July to explore what action can be taken to further reduce the threat of extinction of hedgehogs in the Borough.

It also noted the alarming decline in the number of the animals nationally and considered ways the authority can nurture habitats to ensure their numbers increase.

The Council is looking at where landscape management practices on land they own could change so that they're supportive of hedgehogs and their habitat.

They'll also look at how they can encourage other agencies, councils and residents to follow similar practices, advise ground maintenance contractors Streetwise of further training and work to influence the creation of more "hedgehog highways".

Already nationally designated as a priority species due to the decline in populations, the Planning Team is also considering measures to assist the animals.

Where appropriate, applications for new development which includes any new fencing to garden boundaries may now take hedgehog access into consideration.

Features such as hedgehog corridors – like the one pictured below – and other enhancements may also now be assessed in suitable locations.



East Leake Independent Councillor Lesley Way brought the motion before the Council which was carried and will be assessed in line with the Rushcliffe Nature Conservation Strategy.

The Council is encouraging residents to always use a reputable pest control provider to avoid unwanted consequences and ensure anyone employed is a member of a pest control professional body on the NPTA or BPCA websites.

Of particular concern is "do it yourself" pest control that some landowners and property owners choose.

Traps or poisons that are inappropriately set can result in significant harm to non-target species, such as hedgehogs, and the Council will continue to work closely with rural Police colleagues on snaring which can have a negative impact on local wildlife.

Anyone who finds a snare or trap that they believe to be unlawful should contact Police by calling 101.



RUDDINGTON VILLAGE MARKET PRESENTS

Makers Night

RUDDINGTON BECOMES AN ARTISAN
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SEPTEMBER

4-9PM

A wonderful opportunity to experience
what local Makers have to offer.

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Paradise Allotments

Paradise Allotments is a lovely place for growing fruit and vegetables and relaxing after a hard day's work. However, the plot of land just outside the allotments is choked with thistles and other prickly weeds.

Under the leadership of Parish Councillor Graham Fletcher, the owners of plots have been clearing the weeds and allowing more salubrious fruit bushes to grow. Cameron Bolger, a year 9 student at Rushcliffe who lives in the village, has also been helping them as part of his Duke of Edinburgh volunteering.

Cameron is most interested in the DoE expedition, but to go on the expedition, one must volunteer for the community!

Cameron is clearing the weeds and installing a new paved pathway into the allotments for use by the social prescriber group through the NHS. This work will futureproof the allotments for years to come.

Many thanks to all involved.

Stephanie Palmer & Graham Fletcher

Pictured: Cameron Bolger, Councillor Stephanie Palmer, Councillor Graham Fletcher.



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