

SHARE Repair



Share and Repair welcomes Andy Lyle as the new Director

Hello all Share and repair

Well 2023 is well underway and we have lots of exciting news from Share and Repair, firstly we would like to introduce our newly appointed Director - Andy Lyle.

Andy brings with him a wealth of experience from his time as CEO of two charities providing a community hub for older people in Tavistock and then in Wadebridge. Andy worked with the trustees, staff and volunteers to develop services to make a difference to the local community and bring hope for a bright tomorrow.

"I very much look forward to working with 'The Share and Repair family' at reducing waste by developing the Library of Things and The Repair Cafes and making Bath a greener place to live!" commented Andy

With the arrival of Andy it does mean that we have to say a very fond farewell to Esther who is pursuing a new career as a lecturer at Bath City College. We would like to take this change to wish Esther ever success in her new and exciting career.

We are pleased to also announce that we have a new Treasurer in place as well as many new volunteers who have joined our ever growing team of amazing volunteers. With our new additions to the team of talented volunteers Sewing Repairs are now available on Wednesdays and Thursdays. We also now have a dynamic team of tech repairers at the shop on Saturdays so please come down with any of your tech repairs!

With regards to the wider community we are very excited to announce the launch of the Corsham Repair Cafe, with a soft launch on Saturday 1st April - if you are interested in being part of this Cafe please contact Christine via christine@crookall-fallon.net or complete [this](#) expression of interest form.

Further reading in this newsletter includes:

Celebrating 5 years of Share and Repair - Thank You to our amazing volunteers

Borrow Don't Buy

Repairs

Primary School Project

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HOW TO Workshops

The Environment and Campaigns: Every One Of Us

Volunteering: Could you join our growing band of fabulous volunteers? To find out more about volunteering roles head to **[VOLUNTEERING](#)**

- HomeKIT please click the link to find out which items we would love for you to donate: **[HOMEKIT](#)**

- HOW TO Workshop Dates For 2023: **[WORKSHOPS](#)**

And finally... a reminder about how you can continue to support us while you **[shop at the Co-Op.](#)**

Celebrating 5 years of Share and Repair

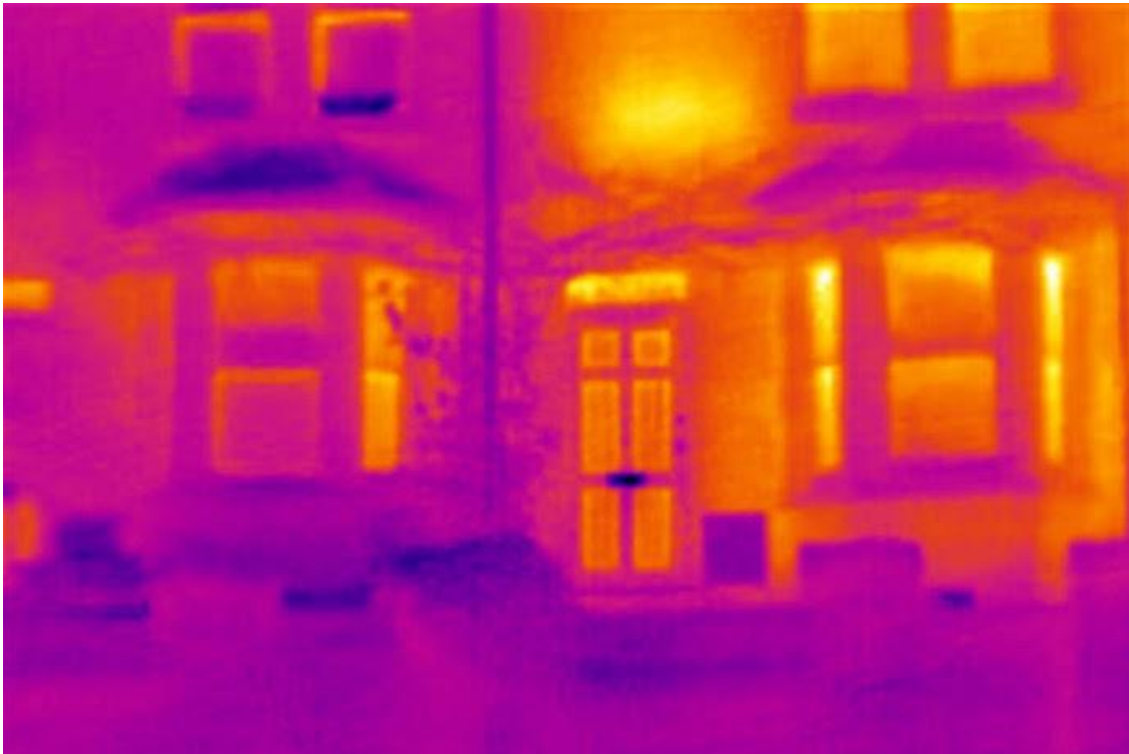


Earlier this year we threw our Winter Social to celebrate all the incredible work that our volunteers have achieved over the past 5 years, with a special presentation to 5 volunteers who have been with Share and Repair since the beginning! Without the time and dedication that our volunteers give to us we really won't be able to achieve all that we do - THANK YOU again!

A huge thank you also goes to Revolution Bath for accommodating and feeding us, it did make it the perfect event. As well as to all those that bought raffle ticket which allowed us to raise funds for the earthquake disaster in Turkey and Syria.

If you would like to become involved in Share and Repair we are always looking for new volunteers to join us, whether you'd like to be in the shop, helping to deliver the school workshops, working remotely or helping at a Repair Cafe then please do get in touch. To see a full list of volunteering roles head to <https://shareandrepair.org.uk/get-involved/>

BORROW DON'T BUY (BATH Library of Things)



We are very excited to announce that we now have a Compact Thermal Imaging Camera in our Library of Things!

The Thermal Imaging Camera is a handheld electronic device with an integrated visual display designed for detecting heat energy. This highlights

where excessive temperatures or sources of wasted heat energy are in a building which in turn can allow the user to improve their property and resulting in a more energy efficient home in the long run. We will only be loaning this Compact Thermal Imaging Camera to members who are able to use and diagnose the reports created.

Don't forget we can also deliver and collect in Bath using our e-bike, the Flying Satuma during our opening hours (£5 per reservation - covers drop off and pick up). Please select delivery and collection when you reserve your items, we will be in touch to confirm.

*******COMPETITON WINNERS*******

LOOK WHAT WE WILL BE ADDING!

Thank you to all of you who entered our Christmas competition with some fantastic suggests for items that you would like to see added to the Library of Things in 2023.

Doug Laughlen was the winner with his suggestion of the Thermal Imaging Camera (details above) who receives a free two day loan. Other suggestions that we are following up on include a cordless screwdriver, waffle maker and a Karoke Machine! So keep an eye on our Library of Things for new and exciting additions!

[Visit the Bath Library of Things website](#)



REPAIRS

Our repairers have been kept on their toes with each and every repair session being super busy with a whole wealth of items being brought in, the most unusual this year so far has certainly been the portable washing machine. Electronical repairs continue to be the most common repairs that we see but sewing repairs are increasing week on week.

PRIMARY SCHOOL PROJECT

HOW To Reduce Waste

Repair and Share are working with local primary schools to deliver a series of six lessons on how we can reduce waste, landfill and our carbon footprint. These workshops work with year 6 primary students and are

designed to be not only practical but also fun and informative. So far, we have reached nearly 70 children and we looking to roll out this project to work with more primary schools.

How To Get Involved

To enable us to roll out this project we are looking for Volunteers to join us! As a Volunteer with these exciting workshops you would be:

- Helping to prepare Workshops (in schools and the shop)
- Helping deliver the lessons (already prepared)
- Helping with monitoring and evaluation (data entry)
- Walking children to the Share and Repair shop from local schools (when required)

All volunteers involved in this initiative will be DBS checked (by us) and proven experience in delivery lessons would be a bonus! If you are interested in volunteering with this project please email lorna@shareandrepair.org.uk

Repair Cafes

Our Repair Cafes are busier than ever with the recent Bradford on Avon session managing to see over 40 repairs in just three hours! Lets see if we can top it at the next one!

The Repair Cafes run in and around Bath on Saturdays, 10am-1pm. At a Repair Cafe you will be greeted by our friendly volunteers and assisted to find the most suitable volunteer repairer for your item (electrical, mechanical, and sewing). Drop-in before 12.30pm (no need to book!) to ensure a repairer can see your item.

Repair Cafes take place in Southdown, Weston, Larkhall in Bath, plus High Littleton, Farmborough, Peasedown St John, and Bradford on Avon.

The dates for the forthcoming Repair Cafes are as follows:

11th March - Weston (Weston Hub)

- 18th March
 - Farmborough (Village Hall)
 - Larkhall (New Oriel Hall)
 - Bradford on Avon (Wallington Hall)
- 25th March
 - Peasedown St John (Methodist Church)
- 1st April
 - Southdown (Methodist Church)
 - High Littleton (Church Hall)
- 8th April
 - Weston (Weston Hub)
 - Farmborough (Village Hall)

Below we have one of our wonderful Volunteers at Peasedown St John with a successful repair!



[Click to read more about Repairs](#)



HOW TO Workshops

If your thoughts are turning to DIY projects, jumping on your sewing machine or getting back on your bike, you might welcome the chance to join one of our HOW TO WorkShop where our skilled volunteers share their wealth of knowledge and can empower you to tackle these projects.

HOW TO Use Power Tools and Hand Tools

22nd March

HOW TO Use Your Sewing Machine

4th March

1st April

HOW TO Maintain Your Bike

11th March

8th March

To book your slot on any of these HOW TO Workshops please click [here](#)

MEMBERSHIPS: Please note our Membership prices increased at the beginning of November. Our Proud Supporter will be £50 for a year and our Best Friend membership will be £20. They are still excellent value for money. We have also added a Student Membership which gives all Students 25% off all loans (on provision of a valid student card). Minimum spend of £1 applies.

The Environment and Campaigns

Every One Of Us : Smart Climate Action Made Easy

Every One of Us is an organisation that is dedicated to making smart climate actions easy for all of us to become a 'planet hero'.

Through it's work Every One Of Us supports and funds projects that are dedicated to climate solutions and the restoration of our planet, each focussed on an aspect of its 5 point framework; nature, food, stuff, energy, travel and zero-waste. Share and Repair is one project that has received funding from Every One of Us. Read more about all the project it supports **here**

Every One of Us is also behind 'Couch To Carbon Zero' - a 10 day sprint for busy people that allows you to maximise your impact. The Next Sprint launches on 5th June 2023, sign up is here **Couch To Carbon Zero**



Great News!

We have been selected again for another years support from the [Co-op's Local Community Fund](#).

When a Co-op member selects **Share and Repair** as a cause - 1p from every pound spent will go to support our project! Anyone can join the Co-op and become a member for the cost of £1, allowing you to earn rewards for yourself and community projects.

The Co-op Local Community Fund supports projects across the UK that Co-op members care about. Every time Co-op members buy selected Co-op branded products and services, they'll give local causes a helping hand.

Find out more and support Share and Repair by visiting this page: <https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/65437>



We look forward to seeing you soon.

From the Share and Repair team
(Andy, George, Toni, Louise and Lorna)