

Welcome to the June Newsletter

Welcome to our latest newsletter. So far this year we have been very busy sharing and repairing! Between January and April we saw nearly 1000 items for repair and lent out our Library of Things items 1071 times! We also donated 74 items to low income members of our community via our Home KIT project. We were excited to trial some new projects too including running a session to show artists who are on the Bath Spa Emerge Gallery programme how to use power tools to hang their art and working with the students at Youth Connect South West showing them how to approach taking things apart and repairing them. We look forward to growing these projects over the coming year.

Moving News!

We are moving! Due to the leakiness of our current George Street base we have been seeking a new home and are pleased to announce we will be moving to **Redbridge House on the Lower Bristol Road, BA2 3EW** (part of the Ford and Kia dealerships) very soon! We look forward to having a bigger space all on one level, which will be great for our customers and volunteers, plus a few parking spaces to help with drop off and collection of library items.

We are currently finalising the lease, but hope to be moving in early September. Watch out for more updates on that as our plans firm up.

Can you help?

We are seeking a community minded removal firm to help us to move our tools and our Library to our new location. If you have any suggestions of people to contact please do let us know.

We also need a small container or large bike store to use for our cargo bike. If you have one looking for a new home we'd love to speak to you.

Our big move is a lot of work for a small charity, so if you can think of other ways to support us please do get in touch.

New Paid role:

Head of Repair Operations

We are recruiting! If you'd like to join our staff team and help support our repairing across our community then please <u>click through</u> to have a look at the full time role we currently have advertised.



New Trustees

We were recently joined by two new trustees Colin Puxley, who is our new Treasurer and Chris Rose. We are delighted to have them on our board.

We'd also like to take this opportunity to thank Steve Brown for all his hard work and support as our outgoing Treasurer and trustee.

If you'd like to find out more about our board of trustees you can meet the team here.



New Repair Café

We are excited to be launching our 11th Repair Café in Bathford

The first Café will be 14th June at **Bathford Parish Hall, BA1 7TU from 9.30-12**.

Do come along and join us and give them your support for the launch.

Well done to Martin and his team of volunteers for bringing access to repairing to this new area of B&NES!



View all Repair Café dates

Volunteer with us

We have three roles which we are actively recruiting to at the moment.

Café Lead Southdown and Weston

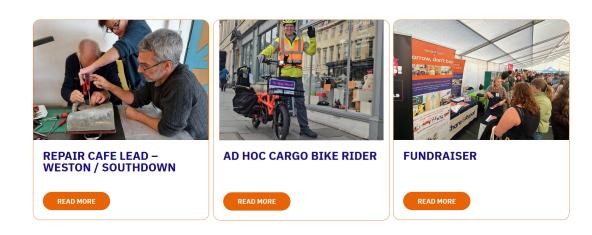
Are you passionate about sustainability and community engagement? As a Repair Café lead you'll play a vital role in organising and overseeing these impactful events. Click on the picture to hear Nicky one of our Café leads talk about the role.



Ad hoc bike rider: We're looking for a biker to train on our cargo bike, with no fixed day needed - someone who is happy to respond to gaps in the rota as and when.

Fundraiser: Join our fundraising project group to identify likely funding opportunities and help to complete applications and keep track of their progress.

Click below to read more about each role.



PAT test milestone!

Our volunteers involved in PAT testing at the Keynsham Reuse centre have just PAT tested their 1,000th item! Their efforts are really making a difference to the amount of things kept out of the waste system and the donations we get from the Reuse Shop based on those items being sold really helps to fund our other projects.



Sewing spaces!

We now have sewing available in all our Repair Cafés, and 5 sewing slots available each day from Wednesday -Saturday in our George St Shop.

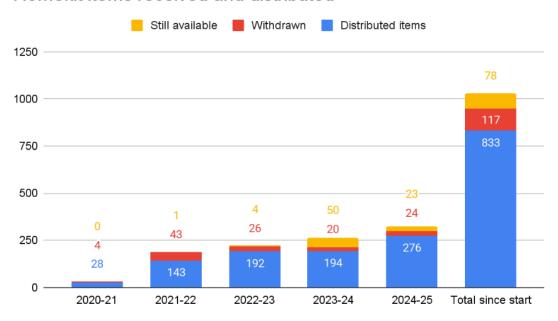


Book Sewing Repair

HomeKIT heros

Shout out to our wonderful HomeKIT volunteers Tanya and Angie. They have been buys growing our HomeKIT offer and distributing even more items to those in need:





If you would like to donate, we are particularly welcoming microwaves, compact vacuum cleaners, slow cookers, toasters, dvd players, kettles, toastie makers, table lamps, digital radios, irons and small food blenders.

Donations should be **good-quality**, clean working order.

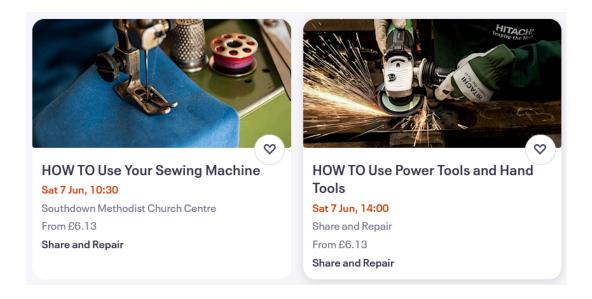


You can drop items into the shop or you can request donations to be collected by our electric cargo bike for a fee of £2.

HOW TO Workshops

Gift a HOW TO Workshop

If you love our HOW TO Workshops as much as we do, why not buy someone a ticket to one of our workshops? For just £10, you can gift someone a ticket to any of our upcoming workshops! Including HOW TO Use Your Sewing Machine, HOW TO Maintain Your Bicycle, HOW TO Use Power Tools and Hand Tools and more!



FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO BOOK TICKETS

Climate and Nature

Survey 2025

Take part in this survey to help shape Bath & North East Somerset Council's response to climate change and nature loss.

Why Join?

- ✓ Tell us what is important to you
- ✓ Influence the council's Climate & Nature Strategy
- Highlight local issues

Your chance to win a £50 voucher

How to take part:

- Scan the QR code or visit bathnes.gov.uk/climateandnaturesurvey
- Alternatively, request a paper copy from a B&NES library
- Complete the survey, takes around 5 minutes
- Share with others every voice matters

Deadline to respond: 16 June 2025

For more information contact: sustainability@bathnes.gov.uk

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