

## Repair Café re-imagined: Update

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To comply with Lockdown 3, the Repair Café has had to suspend activities again. Hence sessions for January, February and March 2021 have, regrettably, been cancelled. We do hope to be able to reopen as soon as possible.

The Ledbury public's appetite for repair was clearly demonstrated by the success of our first two sessions in February and March 2020. We are keen to develop the idea of Keeping Repair Alive in Ledbury without, of course, risking any spread of the Covid-19 virus amongst our volunteers, clients, or the public in general.

Our new way of operating this popular service last September was a **drop off and collect repair service** for portable household items of a mechanical, electrical or ceramic nature. This proved very successful, so the same format will be maintained when we are able to reopen. [Please note: All items will be sanitised before being worked on. This means that we **cannot accept any textile or fabric repairs**, or any other item where application of sanitising products would cause damage.]

Our volunteer repairers will work at safely spaced-out tables inside the hall, with public drop-off and return desks located at the entrance from Church Lane (opposite the Prince of Wales pub) and from the ally beside Ledbury News on the High Street respectively.

All bookings made so far in 2021 have been held over until we can reopen. Owing to the backlog, we regret we are unable to take more bookings for some time. Further details and updates will be posted [here](#).

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Repair Cafés are local schemes that promote repair as an alternative to throwing things away. The idea was born in Amsterdam in 2009, and there are now over 1500 Repair Cafés worldwide.

Repair Cafés do not charge a fee for repairs, but donations towards running costs are gratefully accepted into our cash quarantine box!