# Cost of Living: Let's Work Together

# Bromsgrove & Redditch Festive Special 2023/2024



# The festive season doesn't have to break the bank!

Here's some top tips to help you through the Christmas period. Turn over for support to get you through the Winter months.



Name	Venue	Date/Time	Details	More Info
Holiday Activity & Food Programme Fun Winter Clubs	Various	Various	FREE for free school meal children aged 5 - 16yrs	haf-it.co.uk
Worcestershire Libraries	Various	Various	Warm spaces for FREE family fun	worcestershire.gov.uk/ libraries
Arrow Valley Country Park Lights Trail	Battens Dr, Redditch, B98 OLJ	Fri 1st Dec, 6 - 9pm	FREE entry	redditchbc.gov.uk/ events
Sanders Park Lights Trail	Kidderminster Rd, Bromsgrove, B61 7JP	Sat 2nd Dec, 6 - 9pm	FREE entry	bromsgrove.gov.uk/ events
Build A Bike Workshops Redditch (Must be booked)	Kingfisher Centre, Woodrow & Winyates Green Comm Centres	9th, 16th & 17th Dec Various sessions	FREE Build-A-Bike for new & maintenance sessions for 2nd hand	Search for 'bike' on redditchbc.gov.uk sd@bromsgroveandredditch. gov.uk
Pop-Up Toy Shop Donations	NewStarts or Bromsgrove Rugby Club	NewStarts anytime, Rugby Club on 3rd Dec	Collecting donations for the pop-up toy shop	
Pop-Up Toy Shop	NewStarts, 1 Sherwood Rd, Bromsgrove, B60 3DR	Mon 11th/ Tues 12th Dec 10am - 3pm	Turn up to NewStarts	01527 882410 newstarts.org.uk or <u>Facebook</u>
Christmas Food Vouchers (Referral only)		Mon 18th/ Tues 19th Dec	Get in touch	
Community Supermarket		Every Thurs, 3 - 6pm	Pay what you can/feel	
School Uniform Help (No referral needed)		Mon - Fri, 9am - 4pm. Sat 10am - 1pm	Get in touch	

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## Winter Special: Advice & Contacts

#### **Act On Energy**

Energy advice - including energy efficiency tips; billing issues; grants & funding for energy efficiency measures & grants for broken heating systems & help with fuel bills & energy debt.

# Freephone 0800 988 2881 actonenergy.org.uk

Age UK Bromsgrove, Redditch & Wyre Forest

Free & confidential advice for people over 50.

01527 570490 <u>ageuk.org.uk/brwf</u> <u>enquiries@ageukbrwf.org.uk</u>

#### bdht

Can support its residents with budgeting, employment & generic support. Contact us if you are struggling financially or worried about paying your rent.

0800 0850 160 contactus@bdht.co.uk

# Bromsgrove and Redditch Network (BARN)

Signposts to a variety of voluntary sector services & helps find the right service if you need help to access food, furniture, school uniform, money advice, support when facing homelessness, disability advice & more.

01527 60282 office@barn.org.uk

#### Libraries

Free PC access, WiFi & activities. 01905 822722

worcestershire.gov.uk/libraries

#### Citizens Advice

Bromsgrove & Redditch
General information & advice

& specialist debt support.

0808 278 7890 <u>cabr.org.uk</u>

#### **Council Support**

We are here to support you so please keep in touch. Information & advice about housing benefit, council tax support, discretionary housing payments & our essential living fund.

Bromsgrove District Council 01527 881213

benefits@bromsgrove.gov.uk bromsgrove.gov.uk/benefits

Redditch Borough Council 01527 534050

hbenefits@redditchbc.gov.uk redditchbc.gov.uk/benefits

It is very important that you continue to pay your rent, so please get in touch if you are struggling financially or worried about paying your rent.

01527 587000 Option 1 housingrevenue@redditchbc.gov.uk

#### **NewStarts**

Empowers local individuals & families to overcome their challenges & achieve more in their lives. Providing free assistance to over 1000 households every year in North Worcestershire.

01527 882410 / 0121 679 2072 newstarts.org.uk

#### **Starting Well Partnership**

Supports families, parents, children & young people across Worcs to lead happy, healthy & fulfilled lives.

01905 520 032 @StartingWellRB startingwellworcs.nhs.uk

Worcestershire Adult Front Door 01905 768053 worcestershire.gov.uk/ costofliving Need mental health support? Contact Samaritans 116 123 samaritans.org