# FIND YOUR NEAREST REPAIR CAFÉ

Repair Café West Midlands is a supportive network of 15 Repair Cafés across the region. Contact your nearest Repair Café for more details.

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India, 12, assisting Nick at RC Malvern Hills

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Pete and David : RC Alcester

# WHY USE A REPAIR CAFÉ

Repair Cafés have a positive economic, environmental and social impact.

Economic – with the rise in the cost of living and the growing impact of climate change, never has it been more important to consider using your local Repair Café before buying a new electrical appliance or even a new outfit!

Usually, only a very simple repair is needed to extend the useable life of an item for several months or even years.

Environmental - repair and reuse reduces waste, pollution and our overuse of finite raw materials to make new products. Repair also reduces carbon emissions and helps to mitigate climate change. Run entirely by volunteers, Repair Cafés are open to everyone and a hands-on way to learn how our throwaway economy fails both people and the planet.



Social - your local Repair Café is an important place of social cohesion. It creates local connections and facilitates the meeting of people from the same neighbourhood, who might never have met each other otherwise. At the same time, it also helps to reintegrate isolated or marginalised people, whether they are visitors or volunteer members. Finally, it enhances skills that are sometimes disparaged and it generates self-confidence on a technical, relational and communicational level.

The Repair Cafés listed in this leaflet belong to the Repair Café West Midlands Network.

They may vary in size and the way they operate but all provide a friendly welcome and expert advice and help, Items brought for repair should be hand-portable and the customer is expected to sit alongside the repairer who will happily explain the repair process and pass on their skills. PAT testing and tool and knife sharpening are also available at some Repair Cafés. Items repaired include:

Household and garden electrical appliances and equipment, electronic gadgets and devices, furniture, bicycles, jewellery, ceramics, toys, clocks, garments and textiles.....and much more!

No repair is too small or too challenging!





Chris - RC Malvern Hills

Repair Cafés are grassroots, community-led approaches to extending the life of products through repair.

Due to the diversity of practical skills available at Repair Cafés, significant repair rates are being achieved alongside the considerable social, economic and environmental benefits. As the concept of Circular Economy evolves, Repair Cafés are likely to play an increasingly important role at a local level