

Press Release – w/c 13th September

In just under two weeks, the biggest picnic in Reading returns with a feast! After over a year of restrictions and cancelled events, we can't wait to bring you this year's Reading Town Meal. On 25th September, from 12pm until 4pm, join us as we eat amazing food, browse engaging community stalls, sample local traders and listen to live music!

Forbury Gardens will be filled with community stalls, run by local organisations. Our stalls include Berkshire for Europe, Reading Climate Action Network and Global Justice Reading. You can even visit a live beehive with Tilehurst Beekeepers; There will be a stall for all interests!

As well as this, you will have the opportunity to sample and purchase produce from local small businesses: Pielicious, Linda Carter Jams, True Food and Hempen will all be present with their exciting products.

To create the atmosphere, we will also be hearing music from some talented and diverse musicians, including a Town Meal return from Dolly and the Clothespegs and The Pickin' Lunchtimers. We will also be listening to the musical stylings of No Strings Attached, a local ukulele group, with one more act yet to be confirmed!

Then there's the main event... THE MEAL! Sourced from local farmers and crop-growers, fresh and healthy ingredients will be formed into a hot and wholesome meal by local Reading College students, including a main course and dessert.

In the build-up, next week will be jam-packed with online webinars, focusing on a range of topics, including environmental issues and food choices! If you would like to find out more, or register for them, visit our website here:

<http://www.readingtowntownmeal.org.uk/workshops.cfm>

Still want to volunteer? There is still plenty of time to sign up! Whether you're interested in a person-centred, or set up role, there's something for everyone!

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