

# Newsletter



## A **New** Repair Café has opened in Haringey!

On the 9th of November we had our first repair café at this new location:

**Campsbourne Repair Café**  
Kurdish Advice Centre  
Eastfield Road London N8 7AD

## December Repair Cafés

**Sunday 1st December 12.30 - 15.30**

**Lordship Hub**

[register](#)

**Sunday 8th December 14.00 - 17.00**

**All Good (Bookshop, Turnpike Lane)**

[register](#)

**Saturday 14th December 13.00 - 16.00**

**Campsbourne (Kurdish Advice Centre)**

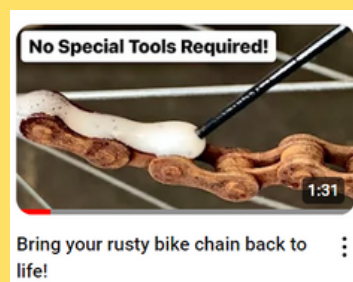
[register](#)

**Saturday 21st December 10.30 - 13.30**

**Broadwater Farm Community Centre**

[register](#)

## Fix it! With Youtube



## Interesting Articles

Change by degrees is a weekly Guardian Australia column written by a range of journalists and experts offering life hacks and sustainable living tips for households hoping to reduce their carbon footprint

Council launches 'green hubs' at Haringey libraries to make it easier for residents to recycle

Britons urged to dig out unwanted electricals to tackle copper shortage

## Opportunity

Sustain Haringey is a programme to support Haringey businesses to reduce business costs and carbon. It's free to business rate payers in Haringey.





## Meet the Volunteer Tony Walker



### Can you tell us a bit about you?

Hi, I'm Tony Walker, one of the volunteers at Haringey Fixers. I have been a child coordinator for over 20 years, focusing on childcare, and various related responsibilities. After retiring, I saw Haringey Fixers as the perfect opportunity to get involved and give back to the community.

At Haringey Fixers, we collaborate with people to repair their broken items. We handle most household items that can be carried in by hand, so please note that we don't work on large appliances like washing machines 😊

### What are your particular skills?

I am an engineer with a background in mechanical engineering, having completed an apprenticeship in the field. I am skilled in computer repair and proficient in troubleshooting and repairing most household electrical items.

### What is actually easier to repair than people think?

Many people don't realise that they can repair more things themselves than they might expect, once they put their minds to it. Often, the items brought in for repair simply need to be taken apart and reassembled. Sometimes, the issue is as simple as accumulated dust or a loose connection. With basic troubleshooting skills, anyone can do it—you don't need to be a professional.

We often see toasters and lamps, which are among the easiest items to repair. For toasters, it's often just a matter of taking them apart, cleaning them, and reassembling. Lamps follow a similar process. While computers might require a bit more advanced knowledge, basic troubleshooting can go a long way. Plus, there are plenty of step-by-step videos available online that can guide you through fixing household appliances.

### What do you enjoy about volunteering?

What I enjoy most about volunteering is meeting people from diverse backgrounds with a wide range of skills. I learn a lot from these interactions, as many of the volunteers are highly skilled individuals who come to share their expertise while enjoying themselves.

One of the reasons I volunteer at Haringey Fixers is the opportunity to continually learn new things. For example, I'm currently learning how to solder and repair sewing machines—skills I've never tackled before, but the experience has been fantastic and enriching.

I'd also like to mention Chris, one of the experienced volunteers here. He was among the founding members and has been a major source of inspiration and knowledge for me.



## Join Our Repair Café Team – Make a Difference in Your Community!

Are you ready to roll up your sleeves, connect with others, and contribute to a more sustainable world? Our Repair Café team is looking for enthusiastic individuals to join us in these key roles:

### 1. Repairers/Fixers/Menders

Love solving problems and repairing household items?

No professional expertise needed—just bring your life experience and curiosity!

Commitment: Just 3.5 hours a month.

### 2. Event Volunteers

Be the friendly face that welcomes visitors and helps our events run smoothly.

Help with setup, guiding attendees, timing repairs, and more.

Commitment: 3.5 hours at one of our monthly events in Tottenham.

### 3. Keyboard Helpers (Behind the Scenes)

Support our team remotely by handling bookings, emails, and light admin tasks.

Commitment: Only 1 hour a month at your own pace.

### Why Join Us?

- Gain hands-on experience, meet new people, and help save items from landfills.
- Learn new skills while having fun.
- Make a tangible impact in your local community.

**Ready to join the fun?** Get in touch today and become part of a movement that repairs, connects, and inspires. Together, we can make a real difference!

✨ Contact us to get started at  
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# Haringey Fixers

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