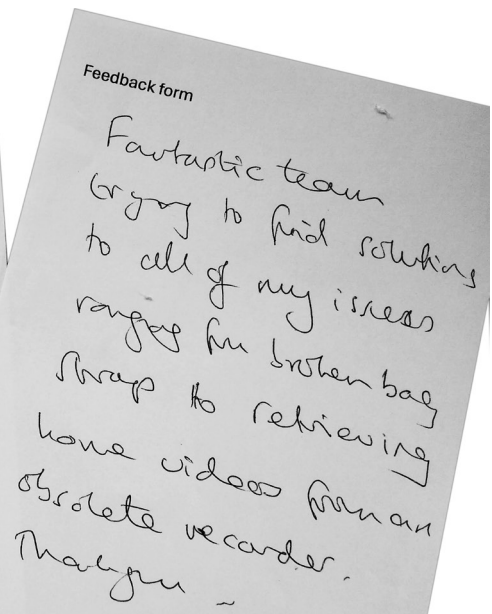
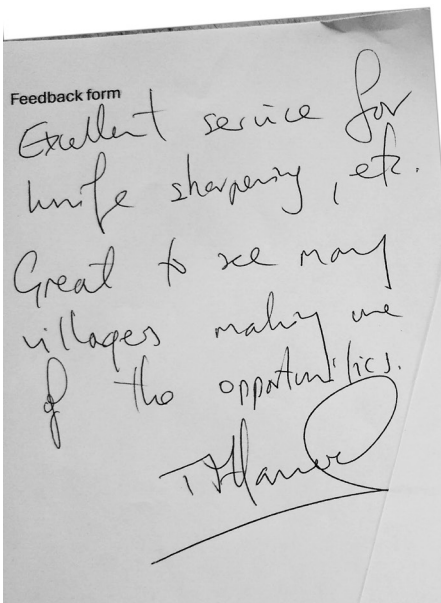


Repair Café Buriton

The Repair Café has been running alongside the well-established Monthly Coffee Morning for almost nine months, at the time of writing. Just to clarify, the Repair Café and the Monthly Coffee Morning are two separate entities but we work closely together. Effectively both groups aim to provide a welcoming space for the community to spend time together and to get items repaired. Everyone is welcome, from anywhere.

We are very lucky to have a Repair Café within our community as we are a relatively small community compared with many others. This means that word of mouth to friends and family really helps to

keep us going. If you have had a repair done and you're happy, please spread the word. If you're not happy please speak to us at one of the next sessions so that we can try to resolve things. We have a small group of enthusiastic volunteers willing to use their skills to repair many varied items and where possible to show people how to do their own, or to give advice. As volunteers they are not trained professionals and we cannot guarantee anything. In addition to which they only have a maximum of two hours to repair. The feedback so far has been very positive, here are some of the things said:





Many people ask what sort of things we can do. It's not that easy to define because the skills we have are quite varied and suited to many types of repairs. There are too many to list them all but here's a list of the types of repairs we have done recently:

Sharpening: things such as secateurs, shears, grass edge cutters, scissors, loppers.

Sewing repairs: Moth holes in jumpers, handbag with torn handle, door stop that had burst open, jumper seam that had come apart, pocket in trousers with a hole, hat with a hole, faulty zip, loose button on a jacket, jeans patched.

General repairs: wobbly base on a lamp, broken link in a bracelet, lose corner on a picture frame, lose back on a mirror, reattaching handle on a kitchen whisk, making the cable on a vacuum retract,

broken hinge on some bookends, lamps not working, kettle not working, vacuum not working, radio not working.

IT advice: help with mobiles, tablets, computers and laptops. If you don't understand something, it's running slow or you want to know the best course of action to take.

We run on the First Saturday of every month from 10.30am to 12.30pm. To try and ensure that you have a chance to get



Repair Café Burton



continued.... your item repaired please come early. We do not always have the same volunteers available each month.

More recently we have joined the Hampshire Repair Café Network which in turn is affiliated to the National Restart Programme. The momentum is growing and the word is spreading that it is better to repair and keep, wherever possible, than to throw away. This in turn reduces waste, shares skills so that we can repair our own belongings and saves us all money in a variety of ways.

REDUCE ----- REUSE-----RECYLCE

In April we started a new initiative to focus on some recycling of items no longer needed and which either people do not

know that they can recycle them or ,that they are difficult to recycle. We aim to concentrate on different things each month. In April it was spectacles, in May it was batteries and in June it is hearing aids and hearing aid batteries. Details for following months will be publicised at the time.

We are also always looking for new volunteers to either share the load or to bring new skills into play. If you think you can help please speak with Liz Cox at one of the Repair Café sessions.

Sessions for the rest of 2026 are:

4th July, 1st August, 5th September,
3rd October, 7th November, 5th December

