



RETFORD CIVIC SOCIETY

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RETFORD HERITAGE OPEN DAY

Saturday 12th September 10am – 4pm

Do you fancy having a look inside some of Retford's special buildings, including those not usually open to the general public? You will be able to find out more about Trinity Hospital, Retford Masonic Hall and the Sloswicke's Almshouse Charity dwellings on Churchgate. The iconic buildings which once belonged to King Edward VI Grammar School are now residential apartments and you could book to take a tour of the site.

In addition, there will be activities and exhibitions in other buildings – Bassetlaw Museum, Retford Library, the Majestic Theatre and Retford Arts Hub. Churches will be open – Grove Street Methodist, St Swithun's, St Michael's and St Joseph's Catholic Church.

There will be music – Retford Ukelele Ensemble, the u3a Recorder Ensemble, Harworth Brass Band, Worksop Miners Welfare Band and Retford Community Singers will be strumming, blowing and singing their stuff during the day. There will be bells – a full three hour peal will be rung at St Swithun's Church from 11am.

The September edition of Retford Life Magazine will have full details of the programme and we will be distributing a leaflet with the programme for the day and details of events from stalls on Carolgate on 5th and 12th of September. If you would be able to help on the stall please get in touch with Derek Turner on 01777 702929 or 07971 289223

Look out for posts on the **Retford Heritage Open Day** Facebook page

THANKS!



Retford Civic Society thanked Eddie Matthews for his exceptional help at the Town Hall over the past 21 years with a gift of a special bottle of whisky and our warm wishes for an enjoyable retirement. Nothing was ever too much trouble for Eddie as we all know, and he will be very much missed.

NEW STREET PLANTERS

Thanks to the efforts of volunteers during this exceptional hot spell, the new planting in the New St car park is still surviving. We continue to try to ensure their ongoing maintenance with lease holders BDC.