



A JOURNEY THROUGH KIDDERMINSTER'S TOWN HALL

Hello, welcome to issue 7, our Autumn 2025 newsletter where we keep you updated on our National Lottery Heritage Funded Project, 'A Journey Through Kidderminster's Town Hall'. To find out more please contact Jackie Murrall, Heritage Volunteer Coordinator, T: 07818 506779, Email Jackie.Murrall@kidderminstertowncouncil.gov.uk or check out frequently asked questions on the Kidderminster Town Hall website www.kidderminstertownhall.org.uk

Live events are back at Kidderminster Town Hall!

Book tickets via our website - kidderminstertownhall.org.uk

In September we were delighted to welcome over 150 talented Creative Industries students from Kidderminster College to the Town Hall, as they graced our brand-new stage with an unforgettable showcase inspired by different decades. An audience of more than 300 friends and family were treated to a dazzling evening of song, dance, art exhibitions and stunning technical displays from the College's gifted sound and light engineers. A fantastic celebration of creativity and local talent!

On Sunday 5th October an audience of Gavin and Stacey superfans came to see Mathew Horne at our first live event open to the public since the building closed for transformation works. It was heartening when members of the audience, during the Q and A, thanked Mathew for coming to our town of Kidderminster.

More events coming soon.....

Sun 9 Nov: [An Evening with Amy Dowden](#)

Thu 13 Nov: [WFDC Over 50's Showcase Event](#)

Fri 14 Nov: [An Evening with Ant Middleton](#)

Sun 16 Nov: [The Bluebird Belles](#)

Fri 21 Nov: [Wyre Forest Young Voice and Primary Chords](#)

Sat 22 Nov: [The Comedy Store](#)

Sun 23 Nov: [Fun For The Little Ones – A Tribute to Ms Rachel](#)

Sat 29 Nov: [Kidderminster Choral Society - War and Peace](#)

Fri 5 Dec: [Santa's New Sleigh](#)

Sun 7 Dec: [Severn Arts Concert](#)

Fri 12 Dec: [Mud - Live](#)

Sat 13 Dec: [Country Roads](#)

Sun 14 Dec: [The Gingerbread Boy](#)

Sat 20 Dec: [Kidderminster Choral Society Gala](#)

Sun 21 Dec: [Abbamania - Abba-Merry Christmas](#)



Launch event Saturday 8th November

You're invited to join us to celebrate the re-opening of Kidderminster Town Hall. Pop in between 10.30 and 8pm to take a tour around the beautifully refurbished Town Hall, hear about the heritage and enjoy live entertainment. You can also buy tickets for upcoming events. Hope to see you there!



A Journey Through Kidderminster's Town Hall Podcasts



We have recorded a special series of podcasts capturing treasured memories and the rich history of the building which we published during Heritage week. Links to them are now available via our website and social media platforms. Our guests were:

- Mike Loftus, a local historian who is very interested in industrial regeneration. He talked to us about the origins of the Town Hall which was an anchor for the development of Kidderminster as a major industrial town.
- Gay Hill, local historian and key member of our research team. Gay talked about some of the most famous visitors to the Town Hall over the decades – including three Prime Ministers, three Royals, and three Suffrage meetings.
- Rose Bishop, who reflected on her tenure as Mayor of Kidderminster (2015/16) — the year Kidderminster Town Council was first formed.
- Councillor Kevin Gale, an elected member of Wyre Forest District Council and former Kidderminster Town Councillor. Kevin talked about his year as Mayor of Kidderminster (2022/23), a year full of significant local, regional and national events.
- Tim Morris, who has been Kidderminster Town Hall's organist for an incredible 45 years. Tim chatted to us about the history of the William Hill organ at the Town Hall.
- Richard Clarke, Contracts Manager for Speller Metcalfe, who took possession of Kidderminster Town Hall on 8 January 2024. Speaking with us in January 2025 at the halfway point of the project, Richard talked about the progress of the transformation works and his experience leading several hard hat tours of the site for interested parties.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

As Kidderminster Town Hall opens its doors for live events, we are developing a team of Volunteer Stewards to support our Front of House. We are looking for new volunteers to join us so if you enjoy theatre, live music and comedy and are looking to fill some spare time, be this a little or a lot, we would be delighted to hear from you! In return for your support, you get to see wonderful shows and help to support the arts in Kidderminster. For further details please contact Jackie Murrall, Heritage Volunteer Coordinator T: 07818 506779 E: Jackie.Murrall@kidderminstertowncouncil.gov.uk



THANKS TO THE PLAYERS

We'd like to send our thanks to the players of the National Lottery which has funded the Kidderminster Town Hall heritage project, enabling local people to get involved by volunteering their time, skills and enthusiasm!



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