



IT'S FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT
COME ON IN

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Abergavenny Fair Trade Newsletter – Feb 2018

Abergavenny Fairtrade Forum is excited to announce that **our town council has just renewed their commitment to Fairtrade**. Great news as the celebration of the 10 year anniversary of Abergavenny's Fairtrade Town status draws to an end.

We're closing with one long celebration! The timing happens to coincide with Fairtrade Fortnight 2018, which runs from 26th February to 11th March. There's lots happening with coffee mornings, a breakfast, our display in Red Square Tourist Information window, and several of our fabulous shops in town showing their support for Fairtrade through window displays and activities.

Fairtrade Fortnight 2018

It's a shocking fact that millions of poor farmers who produce the food we love still don't earn enough to feed their own families. It's time for this injustice to end.

Through Fairtrade, millions of poor farmers and workers are already coming together to demand a change. They are working hard to close the door on exploitation and transform their communities, supported by Fairtrade.

We're please to say that there's lots going on in Abergavenny to mark this year's Fairtrade Fortnight. The Fairtrade Fortnight theme this year is 'Come on In'. We welcome you to our events putting a spotlight on trade. When trade is fair it has the potential to improve the lives of the farmers and workers who grow our food. When trade is fair, it can make the world a better place. 'Come on in', learn more and be part of the difference.

We're very thankful to the many companies who have been kind enough to send samples for us to

share with you at our events. We are keen to highlight the range of products that are available that can be enjoyed as is, or used to make delicious cakes and savories!

Coffee Morning at Christ Church, North Street

Thursday 1st March, 10:30- 12:00.

'Come On In' to this regular coffee morning but this time with a focus on Fairtrade. Terri from Oxfam Abergavenny will be attending with some of the Fairtrade products that are available from the shop.

Women's World Day of Prayer Service, Abergavenny Baptist Church

Friday 2nd March, 2pm.

Another chance to try some Fairtrade delights.

Fairtrade Breakfast at Abergavenny Community Centre, Park Street

Friday 9th March, 10:00- 12:00.

Abergavenny Fairtrade Forum invites you to join them at the Community Centre where we will be celebrating Fairtrade Fortnight 2018, our town council's continued support of Fairtrade, and the end of the 10 year celebration of our Fairtrade Town status. There will be lots of delicious Fairtrade breakfast goodies to enjoy.

Coffee Morning at Abergavenny Library, Baker Street

Saturday 10th March, 10:00- 12:00.

Join us for annual coffee morning at the library where you can enjoy a Fairtrade cuppa and some Fairtrade cake all for a small donation.

Film Society night at the Melville Theatre, Pen Y Pound

Wednesday 7th March

We'll be sharing some of the Fairtrade samples we've been given for you to enjoy with your film.

Window Displays!

We're hoping that as you walk around Abergavenny during Fairtrade Fortnight you'll spot our window display in the Tourist Information Window in Red Square. You'll be able to see pictures that tell the story of the last 10 years and our achievements as a Fairtrade Town.

Local businesses who support Fairtrade will also be in evidence around town.

Pop by and visit **Mockingbird on Frogmore Street**. They sell a range of Fairtrade crafts and presents and will have a window display showcasing some of them.

Fizzyville in the Market Hall is also a stockist of Fairtrade gifts.

The window of **Oxfam Abergavenny will be another place on Frogmore Street** where you can see the range of Fairtrade items that are available locally.

Victorian Tearooms on Frogmore Street will be baking using some of the Fairtrade ingredients we have shared with them.

If you run a local business and have plans for Fairtrade Fortnight, and we haven't mentioned you, please do let us know so we can share your details on our Facebook page.

Thank-You!

Our thanks go to the following businesses who have been kind enough to supply samples of their delicious products for us to share with you and use in our cooking. We have coconut milk and cola,

chocolate and dairy free chocolate drops, fudge and nuts and dried fruit, and of course coffee!
Cafe Direct, Chocolate and Love, Cotswold Fudge Co, Divine Chocolate, Just Trading Scotland, Plamil Foods, The Raw Chocolate Company, and Tropical Wholefoods.

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FAIRTRADE FORUM MEMBERSHIP

Membership fees are due annually on 1st March. Thanks to all who pay by standing order or who regularly subscribe.

If you are interested in joining, the suggested amount is £5 or £10 for a couple. Please contact Mary Morgan to join and so support the Fair Trade Forum in Abergavenny, raise local awareness and achieve more for Fair Trade producers.