

# MAKING OUR MONEY GO FURTHER



The Monthly Newsletter for the Making Our Money Go Further project

WHAT HAVE WE DONE SO FAR?

**CREATED 5 FACEBOOK PAGES – EASTWOOD, MALTBY, MASBROUGH, RAWMARSH & SWINTON, CURRENTLY WITH OVER 350 FOLLOWERS**

**HELD 2 VIRTUAL DROP IN SESSIONS FOR PEOPLE TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE PROJECT**

**ATTENDED MEETINGS WITH PARTNERS AND GROUPS TO INTRODUCE OURSELVES AND THE PROJECT**

**CREATED ONLINE POLL TO FIND OUT WHICH TOPICS PEOPLE ARE MOST INTERESTED IN**

**REFERRED A NUMBER OF PEOPLE ACROSS TO ROTHERHAM CITIZENS ADVICE TO RECEIVE PERSONAL FINANCIAL HELP AND SUPPORT**

**RAN AN ONLINE COMPETITION TO WIN MAGNETIC MEAL PLANNER BOARD TO CELEBRATE OUR LAUNCH**

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**ROTHERHAM FEDERATION  
AND CITIZENS ADVICE ROTHERHAM WORKING TOGETHER**

We are Rotherham Federation (RotherFed), and we believe that Rotherham needs strong local communities. We support communities to grow and develop, working with them to build their sense of belonging, community pride and spirit. We work with and through grass root community groups that are committed to bringing communities together, giving all communities a voice and creating local solutions to local issues.

### About the project

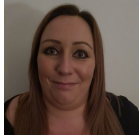
This is a partnership project with RotherFed and Rotherham Citizens Advice.

We aim to change the way communities think & talk about managing money, with community led solutions to the issues that matter most to local people. Through community support delivered by Rotherham Federation that brings people together to form community led groups, and local one to one advice delivered by Citizens Advice, this project will provide the tools people need to deal with the issues that are most important to them. It is about supporting local people to make real change happen.

The 3-year project starts in January 2021 and will operate in the areas of Rawmarsh, Wath, Swinton, Kilnhurst, Masborough, Anston, Maltby, Canklow, Springwell & Middle Eastwood. The Federation celebrates diversity, inclusion and creativity in everything we do. Our services are open to everyone across the borough interested in growing communities.

## MEET THE TEAM

Claire



Hello, my name is Claire. I have come from a banking background where I helped people with their day-to-day banking, from opening accounts, to opening other financial products like loans and credit cards. I have helped individuals' budget for their next purchase or even budget when in financial difficulty and needing help to find ways to help save money. Outside of work, I am very family orientated, and can be found at my parents and with my niece and nephews, when we can.

I really wanted to work on this project from the start because I think I can bring a lot of experience from a career in banking and take it into the wider community to help tackle issues that people may face.

Karen



Hello, my name is Karen. In my career I have mainly worked in supporting young adults attending university. This could be anything from general signposting to services and facilities they wanted to access, helping them join and form groups, or just providing some support to them with the more general day to day things that crop up for us all. Outside of work I am actively involved in community groups and really enjoy the variety of activities I get to take part in and the diverse range of people I get to meet. I am excited to be working on this project and be able to use my experience and knowledge to help enable more community led groups to tackle the issues that matter to them most.

**"Money can feel like a taboo subject, but it might help you to hear that others are experiencing similar problems as you, and joining our groups can help you get the support you need"**

### WHAT'S COMING UP THIS MONTH?

Until restrictions allow our events and activities will be online. Please check our Facebook pages for details:

**1-7 March Food Waste Action Week**

**4 March Cyber Scam Awareness online presentation (registration required)**

**18 March Global Recycling day**

**20 March International Day of Happiness**

**22-28 March Debt Awareness week**

If you'd like to get involved in community led groups to help talk about and tackle money related issues we'd love to hear from you.

Perhaps you have a money saving idea that you want to share with others, or already have a group set up with your friends that you would like to roll out to the wider community? However small or big the idea we are here to help you if you need us.

To get involved please complete our Expression of Interest form: <https://cutt.ly/Ujn3EPG>

If you have any suggestions about items to include in future issues please let us know.

Thank you for reading this newsletter.

### FIND OUT MORE

If you want to find out more about this project, get involved and discover how to manage your money better, then contact Claire Stinson or Karen Jay on:

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