

TENANT VOICE @ROTHERFED

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Rotherham Federation (RotherFed) is a local, community led charity that helps to strengthen communities. We work in partnership with Rotherham Metropolitan Borough Council to ensure local people are represented, have a voice and make a difference.

Meet the RotherFed Staff



Hi, I'm Kathryn Wild and I am Project Manager at RotherFed.

I manage of a number of our projects at RotherFed, which includes our work with council tenants and on friendship calls.

I have worked in the voluntary and community sector in Rotherham for ten years, starting work at RotherFed in 2019.

Prior to my work in this sector I was a teacher, working both in this country and abroad.

Outside of work I enjoy writing, football and travelling.

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Upcoming Events

Buffet Lunch
Springwell Gardens
Thursday 26th May
12pm until 2pm

Coffee Morning
Springwell Gardens
Wednesday 15th June
10am until 12pm



If you are a current Tenant Voice volunteer or a Council tenant who would like to get involved? Come along and see what Tenant Voice is all about. (all events are free of charge but booking is essential) Book via info@rotherfed.org

You said the Council Listened!



The tenant scrutiny panel said

Make sure that all officers work the same way through training and close manager checks



The Council responded

Joint training is to be arranged once Covid restrictions are lifted. Managers are checking all cases during supervision meetings and IT will be set up to record this.

Volunteers - In Their Own Words

Carol and I (Keith), (with the help of a few others) run the Bevan Crescent/ Age UK (Rotherham) Community Group, here in Maltby.

We have a regular group membership of sixteen members, but the doors are always open to anyone (young or old) who may want to join us at any time.

Here are extracts of a few things we do, and what we have done in the past.

Recently the group held a coffee morning / table top sale in our community centre in an effort to help the Maltby Main Junior Football Teams. This was done as a gesture to help the youths and children of our town. The event went well, and thanks to the good people of Maltby, and Rotherham United, who sent a signed football for us to raffle off and a visit from their mascot Miller Bear, we raised £300 pounds.

Every Tuesday and Thursday morning, the group meets in the centre, We enjoy a good chat with each other. We also enjoy two quizzes and refreshments. On occasions, we have guest speakers and recently we have, and are still having visits from Flux from Rotherham. These people really know how to get the group members in interesting conversations.

We also have visits from Age UK. RotherFed and RMBC personnel, and recently, enjoyed the honour of being involved in a video made by Voluntary Action Rotherham which features the work that our group does.

At the moment, the group are developing raised garden beds in the Centres garden so we can grow flowers and vegetables.

Every Wednesday afternoon, the group spends two hours doing 'Indoor Sports'. We play either bowls or curling which is thoroughly enjoyed. This session is open to anyone who lives in Maltby, or surrounding areas.

On Friday mornings, we also run a small foodbank. We are affiliated to Fairshare from Sheffield, and when Tesco in Maltby have spare food, we go and pick it up, and distribute it to people who need extra help in the community. We also have a small number of wheelchairs which we loan out (at no cost) whenever needed.

Over the last two years, it has been difficult at times to have much involvement with the Area Housing Panels. I have been involved with this work for well over thirty years, and have always thought that being involved in the tenant movement is very beneficial by at least being able to help and guide others when help and guidance has been needed. This work helped me to achieve the Chartered Institute of Housing Practitioner Certificate in the past.

Our group will always be here to help combat isolation and loneliness. We will always be Community minded and willing to help wherever help is needed.

