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### THE RYE PARTNERSHIP

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### **MEMBERSHIP**

If you would like to become a member of The Rye Partnership please visit: <a href="mailto:ryepartnership.org/">ryepartnership.org/</a> <a href="mailto:membership">membership</a>

### **OUR FACILITIES**

We operate from Tilling Green Community Centre which is used as a commercial and community use centre with long term and casual hire available to local groups, private individuals and businesses. If you are interested in hiring any of our rooms, then complete a room enquiry form:

ryepartnership.org/
hire-rooms/function-rooms

# CALL FOR DIRECTORS

We are on the look out for more directors to join The Rye Partnership. We are particularly interested in recruiting directors from diverse backgrounds to ensure the board has varied perspectives. Please note that shadowing opportunities are also available. Email <a href="mailto:admin@ryepartnership.org">admin@ryepartnership.org</a>, to register your interest.

### **LOCAL ELECTIONS TAKING PLACE**

Don't forget that local elections are happening across England on Thursday 4th May. Tilling Green Community Centre is delighted to announce that it will be one of Rye's polling stations on the day, open from 7am to 10pm for voters.

Please note that you need your photo ID to vote at a polling station. With the introduction of the new requirement for voter IDs, there will now be a private area where electors can produce their ID if requested. Find out more about voter IDs here.



### **CELEBRATE THE CORONATION**

The Coronation offers a host of opportunities for people to come together and mark this significant event. There will be two events held at the centre:

#### A Coronation lunch, sponsored by the R.V.S

Monday 8th May - 12pm for a 12.30pm start Tickets: £5.00 per head

#### A traditional Coronation tea party, sponsored by the R.V.S

Thursday 18th May at 2pm Tickets: £2.50 per head

Activities: Raffle and entertainment

To book a place, phone 01797 224174 and leave your name and contact number. There are limited spaces offered on a first come, first served basis.

### **VACCINATION HUB UPDATE**

In mid-February, at the Rye Vax Centre, we saw the last of some 52,500 patients since the start of COVID vaccinations in May 2021, after which NHS England paused the operation.

Since February, we have been waiting for further guidance. With COVID-19 still active, scientists argue that the vaccine is still the best protection against serious COVID-19. It is likely to keep infected people out of hospital and reduces the risk of passing the virus on to others.

COVID-19 has proved to be more serious to older people and those with a weakened immune system; but vaccine protection may be lower and may decline more quickly in these people.

Therefore, after Easter, NHS England restarted the programme for people aged 75 years and over, those in care homes and those aged 12 years and over with a weakened immune system. These categories will be offered the 2023 spring booster. For more information, visit: <a href="http://nhs.uk/covid-booster">http://nhs.uk/covid-booster</a>

At the Tilling Green Community Centre managed by Rye Partnership, the Rye Vax Centre is provided by Clarity Chemists, supported by a team of professional vaccinators and voluntary community marshals. Clarity has been tasked again by NHS England to deliver booster vaccines from mid-April 2023.

Eligible patients can book here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-vaccination-spring-booster-resources/a-guide-to-the-covid-19-spring-booster-2023

Article written by Anthony Kimber - Rye Vax





## **COMMUNITY GARDEN UPDATE**

It's been a busy few months at Tilling Green Community Centre and The Rye Partnership. We have been working on our community garden project and are excited to share our progress with you. The raised beds have now been completed, and planting will commence imminently.

The garden is being designed to be accessible to everyone and to provide a space for various activities such as growing herbs, vegetables and flowers. It will also be a place where people can relax and enjoy themselves. If you would like to get involved please get in touch. We will also gladly accept donations of spare tools, equipment, seeds and plants.



### WHAT'S ON

#### Mondays:

- Avocet Day Centre
- Music Well Afternoon for one hour
- Kinsella Martial Arts –
   5.30pm 9.30pm

#### Tuesdays:

 Tilling Green Art & Craft Group - Morning

#### Wednesdays:

- Citizens Advice Bureau 10am 1pm
- Feet First Chiropody
- Counselling Plus
- Canton Martial Arts –
   4.30pm 8.30pm

#### Thursdays:

- Avocet Day Centre
- Bingo 7.30pm (Fourth Thursday of every month)

#### Fridays:

- Early Learning Help Service10.30am 12.30pm
- Canton Martial Arts –
   4.30pm 8.30pm

#### Sundays:

• Quakers - 10am - 12pm

Please note that the vaccination hub times will be announced in due course.



Don't forget that bingo is back at Tilling Green Community Centre on the fourth Thursday of each month at 7.30pm.

Although you don't need to book in advance, we recommend arriving early.