

PRESS RELEASE

Immediate Release

Wrap Up Farnham

This winter Farnham Maltings is partnering up with local charities and organisations to **Wrap Up Farnham** and make sure everyone who needs one has a warm coat through the colder months.

Wrap Up Farnham is a new initiative for the town, inspired by the London model from HandsOn London, gathering unwanted or unused coats from the people of Farnham and distributing them via local charities and partners who support a variety of people including families, the elderly, those sheltering from domestic abuse and those who are homeless. Through partnering with local charities, the coats can be assured to be going to someone in need in the surrounding area. Sadly, those living in crisis is rising and a warm coat through the winter months can be a lifesaver. Your support will directly help a local person in need.

From Wed 25 to Fri 27 November, Farnham Maltings will be partially opening its doors as a coat donation point. Doors will be open from 10am to 4pm with a one-way system in place. We ask donors to wear face coverings whilst in the building and to sanitise their hands regularly and observe social distancing.

Wrap Up are looking for warm, good quality coats for all genders and sizes that are fully cleaned with all their buttons or working zippers. Volunteers will be checking the quality of the coats, and if they are deemed unsuitable, will not be able to take them, and will ask you to take it to a charity shop or clothes bank. Once checked, coats will be placed into quarantine before they are distributed to the partner charities and organisations.

Gavin Stride, Director of Farnham Maltings, recognised that *“Every time we have asked, the community of Farnham has responded with astonishing generosity. Our ambition is that Wrap Up Farnham will make a difference to anyone who needs a warm coat this winter.”*

For more information visit: farnhammaltings.com

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