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Christmas Crafternoon, Festive Fayre, it's beginning to look at a lot like Christmas at Feathers Futures.

Dear Feathers Futures Community,

As November unfolds, we are reminded of the significance of kindness in our lives and in the world around us. Today, November 13th marks World Kindness Day, a day dedicated to spreading kindness, compassion and generosity. it is a powerful reminder that even small acts of kindness can have a profound impact on the lives of others.

On this special day, I wanted to take a moment to express our thanks for the incredible support we received during our recent "Care for a Cuppa" event. Your kindness and generosity has helped Feathers Futures to continue to create a safe and comforting space for women to connect, receive support and express themselves. It is because of supporters like you that Feathers Futures continues to make a difference in the lives of women in need and create a brighter future.

Thank you for being part of our compassionate community and for your ongoing support and kindness. Together, we can continue to uplift and empower women in need, and create a brighter and more caring future.

Best wishes,

Jo Critch

Founder & Manager, Feathers Futures.

Care for a Cuppa? You certainly did!



Thank you!

Seeing so many people across the area come together to share a cuppa and support Feathers Futures was lovely.

Together we raised over £600.

Brilliant banks getting their bake on to super salons and our open house event, your efforts will certainly help us make a difference across Great Yarmouth.

The photographs are from Bycrofts Estate Agents who not only held a care for a cuppa event but did a toiletries collection too that was so successful they are going to continue to be a drop off point for toiletries for us.

The significance of feathers



Curious about the inspiration behind the name "Feathers Futures"? Let us explain.

Feathers hold various meanings, touching each individual in unique ways. To us at Feathers Futures, they represent unity, strength, and mutual support—symbols of our dedication to one another.

The beautiful logo, skilfully crafted by Emma_LC_Art, captures the essence of our vision. A graceful feather takes flight alongside birds flying free, symbolising our vision for women to fly freely, unburdened by the weight of their past. With eyes fixed on our mission, vison and values of creating a brighter future, we combined the symbolism of feathers and future to create the symbolic name "Feathers Futures".



Come and say 'hello' at Great Yarmouth Minster

We are excited to share with you that Feathers Futures will attend the annual Great Yarmouth Christmas Fayre from $24^{th} - 26^{th}$ November, so please pop along and say 'hello'.

Our team will be there for three days, selling a variety of unique handmade gifts, treats and stocking fillers. This is the perfect way to support Feathers Futures and bag some brilliant Christmas gifts.

The Great Yarmouth Christmas Fayre is a free entry 3-day festive craft, gifts and food market held annually in the historic Great Yarmouth Minster of St. Nicholas Church, Church Plain, Great Yarmouth.

The Festive Fayre will be open from 10am until 8pm on Friday 24th November for the Christmas Lights switch-on, then from 10am – 5pm Saturday and 10am to 4pm

on Sunday with over thirty specialist handcraft, food and gift stalls.

Come along and enjoy shopping, live entertainment and Father Christmas will even be making an appearance on Saturday and Sunday.

The Santa's Express road train will run on Saturday and Sunday to provide a free shuttle service between the Market Place and Minster.

Parking in town centre council car parks will be free all day on Saturday and Sunday of the Fayre.

See you there!

Find out more



Festive gift-giving

As we head towards Christmas, our thoughts naturally turn to festive gift-giving. With that in mind, I wanted to extend an invitation to support Feathers Futures. Christmas can be a hard time for many at Feathers Futures so we want to make it as special and welcoming for our ladies as possible.

Your kindness will directly help spread some Christmas cheer.

There are many ways you can support us, toiletry bank donations, volunteering, Amazon Wishlist and you can even raise funds as you do your online Christmas shopping through Easyfundraising.

Our contributions of toiletries and personal care items can greatly help the lives of women facing challenging circumstances.

Alternatively, if you prefer to contribute in a different way, we have an Amazon gift wish list where you can choose items that will directly support our programs and initiatives.

Your kind actions, no matter the size, is deeply appreciated and makes a significant difference in the lives of those we support.

Amazon wish list

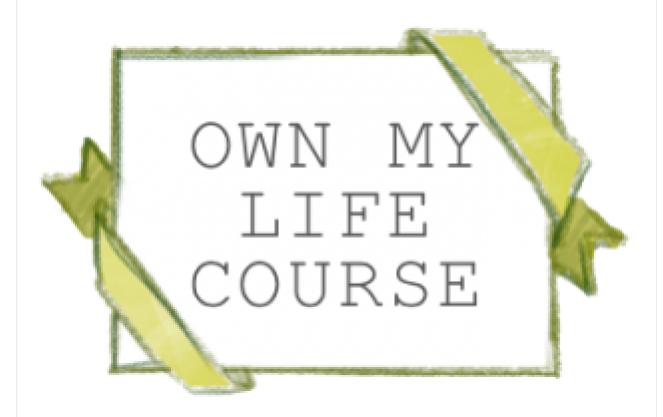


Crafty Christmas

Monday 1-3pm at Feathers House - no need to book, just turn up!

From tree decorations to cards and gifts, our ladies love Feathers crafternoons with a festive twist. Come along to Feathers House and enjoy an afternoon of crafts, chat, and friendship.

Our Christmas Crafternoons are a great opportunity to enjoy learning new skills or ignite old craft passions. No need to book, no experience or skills needed, just come along and enjoy a Christmas Crafternoon!



January Courses

We are taking bookings for our Own My Life course starting in January, spaces are limited for this 12 week course to help you move forward after domestic abuse. So please complete the referral form in the link below if you are interested in finding out more.

Referral form

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