

# RIPON BID

BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

## DECEMBER 2021 NEWSLETTER

### VisitRipon.co.uk is due to launch in Spring 2022

This will be Ripon City Region's dedicated promotional website, it will be a "must view" for anyone visiting the city region. The website will be supported by Instagram and Facebook pages (VisitRipon) ensuring that BID businesses can keep visitors and the community up to date with what's on and all their promotional activity. Any non BID businesses that become a voluntary BID member can then benefit from these new platforms.

The new site will work in tandem with all existing supporting platforms provided by Visit Harrogate, Welcome to Yorkshire and Ripon Together.

The website and social media platforms will all be produced and managed on a daily basis by Ripon BID.

Next Spring the BID will also relaunch the updated Ripon BID website. The BID will set up Ripon BID platforms on Twitter and LinkedIn to support its B2B communication.



### Deep cleaning continues

The Ripon BID's rolling deep cleaning programme continued last week as Kirkgate was steam cleaned.



### A floral welcome to Ripon

The BID will be looking at potential places for new planting. If you are a BID business and you think there is an ideal location near you, please let us know. At this stage the BID will be prioritising the welcome points to the city region and the edges of the city centre. Look out for the new BID planting schemes in the city region next Spring/Summer. The BID will be working with and supporting the great existing schemes delivered by Ripon in Bloom and others. The BID will work with the relevant council to ensure all correct approvals are in place.

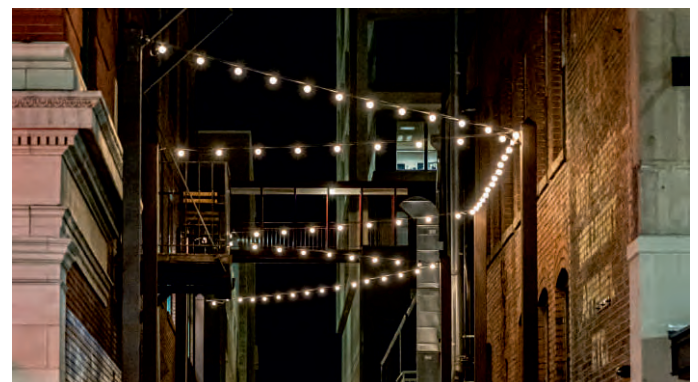


### Further improvements to alleys & ginnels

Festoon lighting is planned for the following alleys & ginnels\*

- Boots & Specsavers
- Costa & M&Co
- Lavender Alley
- Oliver's Pantry & Halls of Ripon (timing dependant on potential development)

\*Subject to landowners' permissions and access to power supply.



## Ripon City region events coming up in December 2021

All Ripon BID business events will be listed on the new [visitripon.co.uk](http://visitripon.co.uk) website once launched next spring.

15 Dec	<b>Christmas Carols</b> , The Orchard at Grantley Hall	7:30pm
16 Dec	<b>Illuminated Winter Wonderland</b> , Ripon Spa Gardens	2:00 - 8:00pm
17 Dec	<b>Illuminated Winter Wonderland</b> , Ripon Spa Gardens	2:00 - 8:00pm
	<b>Festive Family Fun</b> , Lightwater Valley	3:30 - 7:30pm
	<b>Christmas at the Workhouse</b> , The Workhouse Museum	6:00pm
18 Dec	<b>Illuminated Winter Wonderland</b> , Ripon Spa Gardens	2:00 - 8:00pm
	<b>Christmas Spectacular</b> , Ripon Cathedral	7:30pm
18 - 22 Dec	<b>Festive Family Fun</b> , Lightwater Valley	1:30 - 7:00pm
19 Dec	<b>Illuminated Winter Wonderland</b> , Ripon Spa Gardens	2:00 - 8:00pm
	<b>Festival of Lessons &amp; Carols</b> , Ripon Cathedral	5:30pm
21 Dec	<b>La Nativité du Seigneur</b> , Ripon Cathedral	7:30pm
23 Dec	<b>Festival of Lessons &amp; Carols</b> , Ripon Cathedral	5:30pm
24 Dec	<b>Journey to Bethlehem</b> , Ripon Cathedral	11:00am
	<b>Festival of Lessons &amp; Carols</b> , Ripon Cathedral	5:30pm
	<b>Midnight Mass</b> , Ripon Cathedral	11:00pm
25 Dec	<b>Festal Eucharist</b> , Ripon Cathedral	10:30am
26 Dec	<b>Eucharist for St Stephen's Day</b> , Ripon Cathedral followed by Pilgrimage to Fountains Abbey	9:30am
27 Dec	<b>Ripon Museums Trust Ghost Walk</b> starting at Ripon Market Square	7:15 - 8:45pm
31 Dec	<b>Winter Wonderland Ball</b> , Grantley Hall	
	<b>New Year's Eve Celebrations</b> , Ripon Market Square	9:30pm - Midnight
	<b>Watchnight Service &amp; Torchlight Procession</b> , Ripon Cathedral to Market Square	11:15pm

## Businesses Covid update

In light of the Government's move to Plan B and the new Omicron measures in effect, the Working Safely Guidance has been updated for businesses to reflect these changes. You can read more on the measures here:

[www.gov.uk/government/news/measures-against-omicron-variant-come-into-effect-30-november-2021#north](http://www.gov.uk/government/news/measures-against-omicron-variant-come-into-effect-30-november-2021#north)

To help businesses with their communication of the new rules on mask wearing, new posters have been produced - these are intended for display only in retail shops and settings such as banks, hairdressers and post offices:

<https://prod.cms.coronavirusresources.phe.gov.uk/covid19-response/resources/omicron-social-media/>

People are reminded that targeted measures to slow down the spread of the new COVID-19 Omicron variant are now in effect. The measures include:

- Face coverings are compulsory in shops and settings such as banks and on public transport, in theatres and cinemas (unless individuals are exempt).
- All international arrivals must take a PCR test by the end of the second day after arrival and self-isolate until they receive a negative result.
- All contacts of suspected Omicron cases must self-isolate, regardless of their age or vaccination status. They will be contacted by NHS Test and Trace.

This information is being updated regularly therefore please always check the relevant Government guidance.



## Do you want to save your business £'s?

Rishi Sood from Place Support Partnership, the money savings experts, will be available for on-site business visits on 18th January 2022 – please contact Lilla Bathurst to reserve your free, no obligation appointment.

For more information see: [www.placesupportpartnership.co.uk](http://www.placesupportpartnership.co.uk)

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**Happy Christmas from Ripon BID**