



A VERY WARM WELCOME TO NEWARK'S ROYAL MARKET

The Newark Market is one of the oldest markets in the UK, originating back in the 12th century when a charter was granted by Henry 1st. Since then it has operated continuously, originally on a Sunday but then becoming the first market in England to operate on a Wednesday.

Its Royal Charter was applied in 1549 by King Edward 6th. Situated in possibly the most attractive Georgian market places in the UK, if not Europe, with a surround that includes several buildings with significant historic and architectural merit, the Market has seen it all over the years: famine, drought, war and celebration. It has hosted births, deaths and marriages, has seen soldiers off to war with a wave (and a tear) and has welcomed their safe return.

It has also continued to be a key and vibrant trading centre for the region particularly important for its unique position as the "Gateway to The North" as well as its excellent road, rail and river links. Currently the Market trades five days a week; with general markets on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday and Collectors/Antiques markets on Monday and Thursday. On the first Wednesday of every month we provide a very popular Farmers Market offering high quality local produce.

Footfall is essential for the vibrancy of the Market and indeed the Town Centre. A programme of themed markets is available to attract customers and in winter, seasonal events around Christmas including a traditional Christmas Market, are held to maintain interest and visitor numbers in the cold and less desirable months.

The Market is now operated by Newark Town Council. We are keen to attract new and established market traders and offer induction discounts for new lines to the Market. We support and encourage both new and regular traders – from offering loyalty discounts in the winter months to providing help and encouragement during the early weeks and weeks which can make all the difference to the success or failure of a business. We aim to help out traders to become successful by providing high quality goods.

The Market is operated on a daily basis by the Markets Team of Newark Town Council. They are there to help ensure that you're visiting and trading experience and the experience of your customers will be excellent, enjoyable and worthy of a return visit.

To speak to someone in the team, call into the Markets Office or indeed ring the office on 01636 681495 to contact the Manager, Ian Harrison directly

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