

What's on!

February 2026



Diary Dates:

4 February. Wednesday Working
6, 7 and 8 February Light Nights Event

Wednesday Working. Next Wednesday we need to finish everything of, sort out the central cabinet and generally clean up, dust down so that everything is opening on Friday for the Light Nights event. One problem we have is accessing the central cabinet, we need someone who is a little smaller and a little more athletic than those of us who normally turn up on Wednesday morning.

I have found the heater that used to be on the ground floor which I will bring along for use over the weekend. If you can help - 11am on Wednesday 4 Feb.

Loughborough Light Nights. Friday, Saturday and Sunday 6, 7, and 8th February. The council press release states: 'Loughborough Light Nights arrives in February 2026, transforming spaces with spectacular light installations, live performances, and interactive experiences for all ages to enjoy.'



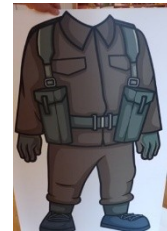
'Expect glowing art works, vibrant projections and magical moments as we celebrate creativity and community under the stars. Whether you are here for the dazzling displays, the family friendly atmosphere, or simply to experience something special Light Night promises to brighten up the winter months. Full event programme will be revealed soon.'

They invited us to open during the event and suggested 5 till 7pm which we have accepted so that we will be in the full event programme. They are expecting 3000 people to attend over the three nights. The rota is below. You should be aware that if you are coming in by car: spaces will be at a premium, part of Granby St. car park will be given over to the event. You will need to arrive early. The Rota is below.

Museum Development Midlands (MDM). The role of MDM is to support museums and heritage organisations in the Midlands with grants, training and advice, they are funded by Arts Council England. They were located at County Hall but following amalgamations they are now at the Ironbridge Museum at Telford. We used to take advantage of far more

training opportunities than we do now. Here is the link to their training programme: [please visit our events page](#).

Cutout Figure. As there is no room on the ground floor for the children's activities that we used to have on the first floor, we needed something that would occupy them outside, the first of these is a headless cutout figure for children to be photographed behind. We have a plastic helmet to go with it, if I can find it?



The image was printed onto 3mm foam board so I asked on Facebook for someone with a jig saw who could cutout the silhouette and glue it to plywood. An organisation, Men and women in Sheds' have offered to do it and it is with them. See: [Age UK Leicester Shire & Rutland | Men and Women in Sheds - Charnwood](#)

I have the wood for the base and making that is just about the pinnacle of my carpentry skills.



It was, of course, bound to happen in this age of IA and fake photographs as when I went to the pub on Sunday dinner this image was being shared on WhatsApp Why they made me look so miserable I don't know.

Catalogue. Was looking for something on the internet when the search brought up two links to our online catalogue, something I don't think has happened before. To test the system I searched, 'lovet' and sure enough it brought three objects we have in the collection. Who was Lovett? Here is the link to his entry on the Leicesters' database: [Royal Leicestershire Regiment](#)

