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Hello #teamhextol—how are you doing?

First apologies that we didn't get a *happenings* to you last week. We were in the middle of having our new IT system installed and the inevitable teething troubles meant we weren't able to finish this edition. But the good news is that the new system is up and running and is a huge improvement on what we had before.

You have sent us some great photo's. I'm pleased so many of you were able to enjoy the snowy weather! It's all change now, with a definite hint of spring in the air.

We now have the government's road map out of lockdown. Sadly it doesn't look like we will be able to reopen the Tans until mid-May, but we are hoping to get some of our other services restarted very soon and should have more info for you next week.

Until then stay safe—Bruce

Rebecca C taking her dog for a long walk in the countryside



See how some of volunteers have been enjoying the snow and getting their daily exercise.

Adam Reid on the Town Moor



Freya with her dog Kiki



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Fairtrade Fortnight

22 February to 7 March 2021

This week marks the start of Fairtrade Fortnight which highlights the producers of our food around the world. Fairtrade have approved products including chocolate to coffee and tea, wine and bananas! Fairtrade is a worldwide movement that guarantees producers get a fair deal, aims to reduce poverty and helps the environment.

Fairtrade ensures producers get a fair price and that there are good working conditions for employees. It also has a fund which enables local people to decide which projects to support to make the most difference in their area.

At Hextol, we have similar aims—we try to support local businesses, provide good working conditions and give you meaningful working opportunities.



Products which meet the Fairtrade standard have this logo—keep a lookout for it.

Find out more about Fairtrade online

www.fairtrade.org.uk

A massive thank you to the Co-op



The Co-op promotes Fairtrade products wherever they can as part of their ethical trading objectives. They are also known for helping local and

global causes and Hextol is fortunate to be one of those causes. When members buy Co-op products in local stores they can choose one of 3 causes to support.

Since Hextol was selected in November last year, local Co-op members have raised over £1,390 for us! We are overwhelmed by your support and would like to thank you all. Please continue to support us for the rest of the year—we will put the funds to good use as demand for our services grows following the pandemic.

For more information on how to get involved and become a member, check out the website!

<https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/44004>

This is a great recipe for using Fairtrade and local ingredients that is delicious and good for the planet.

Fairtrade banana and chocolate loaf

125g soft butter or marg

125g brown sugar

2 eggs

3 large ripe bananas, mashed

250g self raising flour

½ tsp cinnamon

75g dark chocolate chunks

In a large bowl, beat together the butter and sugar until pale and fluffy.

Add the eggs one at a time, mixing well between each one.

Add the mashed bananas.

Mix in the flour, cinnamon and chocolate until combined.

Put into lined loaf tin and bake at 180 for 35-50 mins until a skewer comes out clean.

