

# Love local



We're all about celebrating small, independent businesses and lively community events here at *Round & About*.

With this in mind, we'd love to add our support to encourage readers to spread the word about a vibrant community gathering, and also pitch in to sell their own wares.

You're sure to know about Cirencester's Charter Market, which takes place 9am to 3pm on Mondays and Fridays as well as a Farmers' Market every second and fourth Saturday of the month (8.30am-1.30pm) in the town.

Suzie Lew, Cirencester Market and Events Officer, says: "If you haven't been, both Cirencester Markets offer a wonderful array of local produce as well as good quality craft and clothing at great prices – there's always a deal to be had!"

"The markets are a great place to shop in a friendly and welcoming atmosphere. We want to support young and new small business enterprises, and the wider community, who might like to take a stall to add to the vibrant flavour of the market."

The markets frequently host live music on Saturdays and neighbours are advised to bring friends and visitors along to sample a fantastic array of street food, which is available at the Market Place!

If you are part of a small business, the market team are running a promotion in June for new traders, with discounted stall fees of up to 50 per cent. Or, perhaps you know some community-based organisations who might like to raise awareness of their cause in the community and with visitors – one of May's events helped support mental health awareness week.

"Our vision is to create a vibrant hub in the town – not only for shopping but eating, socialising, educating and connecting with the community," adds Suzie. "We would love to hear from anyone interested – so hope to see you there!"

● To find out more, call Suzie Lew on **01285 655646** or email [suzie@cirencester.gov.uk](mailto:suzie@cirencester.gov.uk)



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