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Café + Community Hub

CrossRoads Café Update Building Something Special

From Jake

We've been making really exciting progress behind the scenes as we shape what CrossRoads Café will become. While much of the work so far has happened quietly in the background, it's all part of laying strong foundations for a space we hope will serve and connect our community for many years to come.

This season has been focused heavily on research, preparation, and planning. We've been working closely with suppliers, exploring equipment options, and carefully developing a menu that reflects both quality and purpose. Every decision is being made thoughtfully to ensure that what we offer is not only excellent from day one but also sustainable in the long term.

There has been, and is, a lot of building work and alterations taking place on all 3 floors - it's a big project! Soon we will be replacing the shop front and developing the cafe area, ready for opening this summer.

One of the most exciting areas has been developing our coffee offering. We've been exploring partnerships with independent UK coffee roasters who share our values around ethical sourcing and exceptional quality. We hope that every cup served at CrossRoads Café will tell a story of care — from the farmers who grow the beans, to the roasting process, right through to the final pour in the café.

Alongside the coffee development, we've also been creating a simple but high-quality food menu. The focus is on fresh, flavour-led bakery items and comforting café favourites — familiar foods made to a really high standard. We're planning a selection of daily baked goods, seasonal specials, and a few

signature items that we're especially excited to introduce when the doors open.

Behind the scenes, there has also been a great deal of work going into the kitchen layout, café setup, and overall design. We want to create a space that feels welcoming, functional, and able to serve people well — not just for launch day, but for years to come as the café grows into a true community hub.

Although much of this stage involves planning and preparation, it's all building toward something we genuinely believe will be special: a place where people can gather over great coffee, great food, and meaningful connection.

Thank you for following the journey with us. We're excited for what's ahead and look forward to sharing more updates soon.



Help Us Build CrossRoads Café

Like a gift registry for a new home, we've created a list of essential equipment needed to bring CrossRoads Café to life — and we'd love to invite you to be part of the journey.

As we prepare to open our doors, we're gathering the tools that will help us serve beautiful food and excellent coffee to our community. From coffee machines and grinders to ovens, mixers, and everyday kitchen essentials, each item on this list plays a part in creating a space of warmth, welcome, and connection.

This is more than just equipment — it's an opportunity to invest in something meaningful. Every contribution helps us build a café that will not only serve great food and drinks, but also become a place where people can gather, rest, and feel at home.

If you would like to support the project, you can make a general donation of any amount or choose an item from the list to gift, knowing that it will be used daily to

bless others. Together, we're creating something special, and we're so excited to see how this space will serve our community in the days ahead. For details on how to give, please follow this link to the LivingStones website.

<https://www.livingstones.org.uk/>

When gifting an item, please let us know in the reference what you are purchasing, or contact us at hello@livingstones.org.uk so we can thank you and keep track of your generous support.

Coffee Bar Equipment		Kitchen Equipment	
Slayer Coffee Machine	£ 9,243.00	Fridge	£ 1,080.00
MoccaMaster (Batchbrew)	£ 240.00	Freezer	£ 1,200.00
E80 Grinder	£ 2,545.20	Prover	£ 5,750.40
E65 Grinder	£ 1,953.00	Convection Oven	£ 2,460.00
EK45 grinder	£ 2,131.92	Bread Oven	£ 4,782.00
QuinSpin & KnockBox	£ 600.00	Induction Hobs	£ 432.00
Water filter cartridge	£ 232.20	Large Dishwasher	£ 2,700.00
Water Filter	£ 302.40	Large Mixer	£ 1,300
Hot Water boiler	£ 1,125.00	Medium Mixer	£ 515.00
Hot water tap 3 button	£ 867.00	Dough Sheeter	£ 2,500.00
Glass Washer	£ 2,000.00	Microwave	£ 160.00

Please Continue to Pray

We are so grateful for the incredible support, encouragement, and prayers that have surrounded this project so far. We have already seen many moments of God's provision and breakthrough along the journey, and we want to pause to give thanks for His faithfulness in every step.

We are especially thankful for the consistent, ongoing, and growing sense of unity within the team, made up of people from different Churches. It has been such a gift to see people working so well together, bringing their different skills, ideas, and hearts into this shared vision. There is a genuine sense that God is guiding and strengthening us as we move forward.

Please continue to pray for wisdom, provision, creativity, and favour in the months ahead as plans continue to take shape. Pray that CrossRoads Café would become a place of welcome, encouragement, and meaningful connection within our community.

We truly feel lifted and carried by your prayers, and we cannot thank you enough for standing with us on this journey.