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**TOUR OF
BRITAIN**

The city of Worcester will host the start of the final stage of the OVO Energy Tour of Britain on 10 September, as the race finishes outside London for the first time in five years.

Stage Eight of Britain's premier road cycling event on Sunday 10 September will start from Croft Road and continue through the centre of Worcester, heading on through Worcestershire to finish in Cardiff. The route through Worcestershire will include Pershore and Upton-upon-Severn, and cross the Malvern Hills at British Camp.

On Friday September 8, the Mayor of Worcester, Councillor Steve Mackay, will unveil the St John's Art and Heritage Trail.

The event will start at Cripplegate Park at 3.00pm.

An exciting art and heritage trail will be unveiled on Friday 8 September in St John's. Join us at 3pm in Cripplegate Park to unveil the first sculpture, followed by a walk through St John's discovering six plaques representing heritage through the ages, finishing at Pitmaston Park, the site of the final sculpture. Planet Art has developed the sculptures with funding from J Sainsbury plc and help from pupils at Pitmaston Primary School, Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Primary School, St Clement's C of E Primary School and Christopher Whitehead Language College.

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Heritage

Open Days in Worcester

Thursday 7 - Sunday 10 September 2017



Heritage Open Days is England's largest festival of history and culture, bringing together over 2,500 organisations, 5,000 events and 40,000 volunteers.

Every year for four days in September, places across the country throw open their doors to celebrate their heritage, community and history.

It's your chance to see hidden places and try out new experiences – and it's all FREE.



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1 The Guildhall

Take a walk down 1950's Worcester High Street in an exhibition of photos.

High Street, Worcester, WR1 2EY

www.worcester.gov.uk **Open Sunday**

2 Museum of Freemasonry

The Museum of Freemasonry in Worcester is accepted as being the second only to the Grand Lodge collection in London.

The Masonic Hall, Rainbow Hill, Worcester, WR3 8LX

www.worcestermasonicmuseum.co.uk **Open Thursday, Friday and Sunday**

3 St. Martin in the Cornmarket

Reverend Geoffrey Anketell Studdert Kennedy remains one of Worcester's most noted citizens. Affectionately nicknamed Woodbine Willie, this exhibition tells the story of this remarkable man and his impact on all who came into contact with him.

The Cornmarket, Worcester, WR1 2PL

www.stmartininthecornmarket.co.uk **Open Saturday and Sunday**

4 St. Paul's Church

Opportunity to see the inside of the church to view the Studdert Kennedy stained glass window. Built in 1844, St Paul's served the community until 17 February 1988 when it was declared redundant by the Church of England. The lease was taken over by the Assemblies of God Church who continue to hold regular services.

St Paul's Street, Worcester, WR1 2BH

www.stpaulschurch.co.uk **Open Thur (11am-1.30pm) Fri (10am-12.30pm)**

Sun (10.15am-11.45am)

5 The Infirmary

Opened 2012 in the former Worcester Royal Infirmary, the exhibition tells the story of healthcare in Worcester from 1745 - 2002. Tour the former nurses' home Mulberry House (Saturday 11am, 1pm and 2pm) and learn more about its history as part of Heritage Open Day. Book tickets at www.bit.ly/TheInfirmaryTickets

University of Worcester - City Campus, Castle Street, Worcester, WR1 3AS

www.medicalmuseum.org.uk **Open Saturday**

6 Greyfriars House and Garden

Set in the heart of historic Worcester, The Greyfriars is a stunning timber-framed merchant's house. This unique house and garden was rescued by two extraordinary people with a vision to save this medieval gem and create a peaceful oasis.

Friar Street, Worcester, Worcestershire, WR1 2LZ

www.nationaltrust.org.uk **Open Saturday**

7 Tudor House Museum

Visitors to Tudor House Museum will be able to experience the Stinky Tudors! What made Elizabeth I's teeth rot? How often did Henry VIII bathe? Where was the plumbing? Follow the trail through this 16th Century building to discover the lives of the people who lived here during Tudor times and just how stinky it could be in a city back then!

Friar Street, Worcester, WR1 2NA

www.tudorhouse.org.uk **Open Thursday, Saturday and Sunday**

8 Laslett Almshouse Chapel

The Chapel was built, with the rest of the Almshouses, in 1911 and opened in July 1912, an event which attracted a lot of interest and an important newspaper article. Laslett's was described as an 'adornment' to the city. The Countess of Coventry was handed the key to unlock the main gate and declare the Almshouses duly open.

Union Street, Worcester, WR1 2AS Open Saturday 10am-4pm

9 The Commandery

Worcester's Civil War Story at The Commandery. Step back in time to the tense, murky Worcester of 1651, where trouble is brewing. Immerse yourself in The Commandery's most significant moment in history and find yourself caught between two sides - will you choose to show allegiance to King or Parliament?

Sidbury, Worcester, WR1 2HU

www.museumsworcestershire.org.uk **Open Sunday**

10 Worcester Cathedral

Visitors to Worcester Cathedral can enjoy free activities. Highlights include historical tours, young people's activities and climbing the 235 steps of the Cathedral tower to see magnificent views of the city and beyond. Also a visit to the Cathedral's medieval Library is not to be missed. It houses one of the country's most important collections of rare medieval books and manuscripts, usually open by appointment only.

8 College Yard, Worcester, WR1 2LA

www.worcestercathedral.co.uk

**Open Saturday
(tower open weather permitting)**



11 St. Swithin's Church

Inside, it is airy and open with box pews, a gallery and an attractive arched ceiling. The carved three-decker pulpit, topped by a gilded pelican feeding her young, is a work of art, and the 1795 organ by the Gray Brothers of London is Grade I listed. The tall Tudor tower remains from the old church.

Church Street, Worcester, WR1 2RH

www.visitchurches.org.uk **Open Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday**

12 St. Helen's Church

The present building stands on the site of what is believed to be the earliest church in Worcester, probably dating from the Roman occupation. Come and join us to see our historic information displays, historical graffiti tours and lectures

Fish Street, Worcester, WR1 2HN

www.allsaintsworcester.org.uk **Open Friday and Saturday**

13 Worcester Art Gallery and Museum

The Art Gallery and Museum will be open from 5.30pm - 8pm for exploration after hours. Be welcomed into Steward's Chemist Shop by our Victorian Proprietor and hear all about the lotions and potions and how the Shop came to be moved to the museum from Worcester High Street. Try a cocktail or two - purely for medicinal purposes of course - and hear tales of the museum's favourite historic objects.

Foregate Street, Worcester, WR1 1DT

www.museumsworcestershire.org.uk **Open Friday evening**