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## **Who are you going to call? Draught Busters!**

As part of the warm spaces initiative Otley sewing collective will be offering free make your own draught excluder sessions at Beech Hill church on alternative Wednesdays from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM starting the 25th January 2023.



Andi Petch, Chair of the sewing collective said "In our first community initiative of the year we are aiming to take a much-maligned domestic object - the draught excluder and transform it into a highly desirable addition for the home."

All people need to do is come to Beech Hill church on Wednesday 25th January for 10am and bring your creativity. Members of the collective will be there to help you with your designs. Whether you want something sleek and chic, an adorable dachshund, or a sparkling draught sabre we have everything you need.

This is a free activity funded by the warm spaces initiative, Draught excluders can help reduce your fuel bills and keep your home warm. With excluders selling from £8 -£149 online this is a great opportunity to have some fun, save some money and keep warm.

Otley Sewing collective currently has space for new members. We meet at Beech Hill church the first Saturday morning of the month from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM and the third Wednesday evening of each month from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM.

Members bring their own projects to work on and can become involved with the community initiatives we run. Last year we made the bunting for the Queen's Jubilee, ran workshops at Otley Wildlife festival

and entered our first Christmas tree competition. we have fabric at reduced prices, haberdashery supplies and sewing machines and overlockers for members to use.

Whether you are an experienced sewer or wanting to learn please come along or get in touch. [Facebook @OtleySewingCollective](#) or email [ajfpetch@gmail.com](mailto:ajfpetch@gmail.com).

We are now a part of the u3a and our sessions are £3 plus the subscription fee to the u3a. This provides access to all the groups and activities they offer. They are currently offering a half price (£7:50) subscription for those joining from January through to April 2023,



**Remember - Be wise like Yoda and  
with a draught busting draught sabre  
keep your house draught free!**