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FEATURE RELEASE: Make Harrogate Christmas Fayre Your Must-Do Festive Market!

1st-17th December 2023

For a magical UK Christmas destination offering sublime seasonal events, exciting entertainment, magical places to stay and festive family fun, it has to be the Harrogate area of North Yorkshire. And with Harrogate Christmas Fayre now extended to 18 days, it's the ideal place to visit for a wonderful Christmas shopping experience and festive meets and greets with friends and loved ones. This year, Harrogate Christmas Fayre 2023 takes place in Harrogate from **1st – 17th December**, so visitors can soak up the seasonal ambience and enjoy family-friendly fun for even longer.

Harrogate Christmas Fayre combines regional traders' stalls with traditional Christmas market cuisine and gifts, while Little Bird Made artisan market, in residence in Harrogate's Valley Gardens for the first three weekends in December, will offer crafts and gifts from local traders in North Yorkshire.

Together with Harrogate's amazing selection of independent town centre retailers, and the renowned Country Living Christmas Fair at Harrogate Convention Centre from 30th November to 3rd December, it's a wonderful opportunity to get your Christmas shopping wrapped up in a one-er. School choirs and local performers will be entertaining visitors to the town centre Christmas market each day, while the Candy Cane Express road train will be making a welcome return to transport revellers around the spa town in its festive glory.

The town's Crescent Gardens will be transformed with fairground rides and attractions. An outdoor ice rink, complete with its own bar and a traditional carousel will also be installed in the spa town. Famed for its "healing waters" and spa town heritage, Harrogate is proud of its long history and first class reputation as an ideal destination to visit for a restorative, relaxing and rejuvenating break. A perfect place to stay at any time of the year, Harrogate and the wider North Yorkshire area sparkle and shine over the festive season for a complete Christmas experience that's not to be missed.

From luxurious country hotels offering roaring fires, exceptional festive experiences and warm winter welcomes; to beautiful light trails, illumination events and Christmas carols; head to Harrogate for a magical short break escape this winter.

Find out more: www.visitharrogate.co.uk/christmas

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Notes to Editors

Visit Harrogate is the official tourism website for the Harrogate area of North Yorkshire. It is operated by Destination Harrogate, which is part of North Yorkshire Council. Harrogate is situated midway between London and Edinburgh and boasts excellent transport connections, with a direct train link and journey time of under three hours from London King's Cross.

High res images are available on request.