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**Sarah Champion**  
**Member of Parliament for Rotherham**

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**Sarah Champion MP Celebrates Rotherham's Heritage on Yorkshire Day, 1st August**

Sarah Champion MP is holding a Yorkshire Day stall in Rotherham town centre, celebrating the best of Yorkshire past, present, and future.

Together with John Healey MP and Kevin Barron MP, Sarah Champion will highlight Rotherham's status as a key steel provider, with aircraft reliant on Rotherham steel taking off or landing every five seconds round the world.

Sarah Champion will be joined by local residents and young people from her summer school.

Continuing her fight for Rotherham's residents against central government cuts, Sarah Champion pledged her support of Labour's living wage campaign and spoke in favour of devolving £20 billion to the regions so Yorkshire can invest in its own people.

Sarah Champion MP commented:

***"Yorkshire Day is a great opportunity for us to celebrate our region. For me, our greatest asset is our people. We have a proud industrial heritage, an exciting advanced manufacturing future and a strong sense of community."***

***"Yorkshire has had disproportionate Government cuts these last four years. Labour has committed to devolve £20 billion to the regions, allowing Yorkshire to decide how best to invest in our future".***

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NOTES TO EDITORS

Yorkshire Day is an annual regional event held on 1<sup>st</sup> August celebrating the traditional culture and heritage of the county.

Sarah Champion's Yorkshire Day Celebration will be held in Rotherham town centre from 11am – 1pm at 16 Effingham Street, Rotherham S65 1AJ, together with John Healey, MP for Wentworth and Dearne, and Kevin Barron, MP for Rother Valley.

Young people from Sarah Champion's summer school, held this week, teaching the importance of politics and tools to change society, will also attend, using their new skills to garner support for the issues important to them.



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