

Appendix B - Annual Communities Highlight Report 2022-23

This highlight report outlines just some of the incredible work undertaken by, or in partnership with our community hubs.

Since I became Cabinet Member for Communities, Social Justice and Wealth Building in 2019, I have sought to give community hubs much needed autonomy, to champion social justice at every opportunity, and to create real wealth building in our Borough.

Reading this report give me a huge sense of pride; the impact of the work undertaken over the last twelve months is truly amazing. It is clear to see how our efforts have raised aspirations, created meaningful opportunities and supported vulnerable residents and families with compassion and dignity.

As a Council, we have listened to parish councils, community groups and grassroots organisations. Our cross-party review of community involvement really tested the function of community hubs, and challenged the tangible outcomes they produce. Consequently, the level of investment we have targeted towards community infrastructure and development has been increased to unprecedented levels.

We know that communities change, and that our role is to continually evolve to remain responsive. Our hub model has been appraised by peer reviewers and the Local Government Association, with overwhelmingly positive feedback.

Looking forward, I have no doubt that our hubs will go from strength to strength in their delivery. It is my pleasure to lead such pioneering work here in South Ribble.



Councillor Aniela Bylinski Gelder
Cabinet Member for Communities, Social Justice and Wealth Building

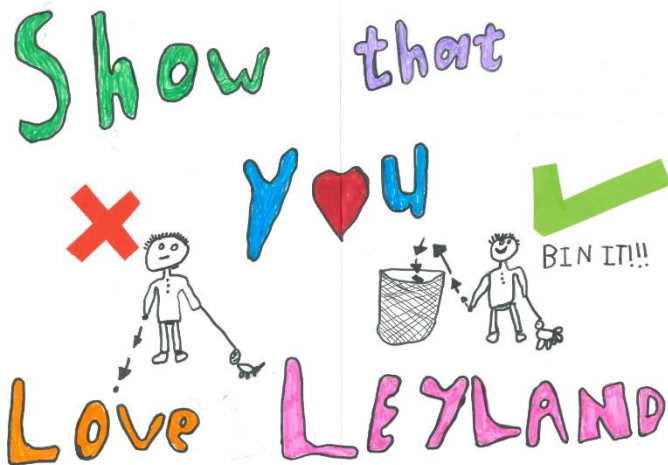


Civic Pride

Projects that reinforce Civic Pride have been delivered throughout South Ribble, with engagement and participation from a wide range of residents, from different demographics.

Projects have included:

- South Ribble in Bloom competition and celebration event.
- Love Where You Live competition and campaign to reduce littering and dog fouling, in partnership with schools.
- Deer sculpture welcome features in Penwortham and Walton Park.
- Tribute to the Battle of Bamber Bridge at Church Road Gardens.



Penwortham Live & Longton Live 2022

The live music events were held virtually throughout the pandemic due to social distancing restrictions, however in 2022 they were back with a bang!

For both events it was is busiest year to date, with an estimated attendance of 3,000 at both Penwortham Live and Longton Live.

These events enhance community spirit and received excellent feedback from both residents and elected members.



Farington & Friends Fun Day

This event provided families with access to a wide range of free activities, with a focus on celebrating equality, diversity, and accessibility.

This included storytelling, Dr Bike, information stalls, accessible hockey, and show and tell from Lancashire Fire and Rescue.



Active Health in Schools

A wide range of activities have been delivered in schools in all of the Community Hub areas, with a total of 2,655 sessions held throughout the 2022/23 year. These activities create many positive outcomes for young people, including but not limited to, increasing physical fitness, learning about nutrition, developing new skills and abilities, and improving confidence. The number of sessions held for each type of activity are shown below.



Active Schools Whole School		Active Schools Events			Active Schools Training			Active Travel		Active Lifestyles				Active Clubs	Total
Games festival	Lifestyle festival	Cluster comp	CV leagues	Whole borough	CPD training	PE support	Young leaders	Bikeability	Scotsafe / Bike fix	Covid recov	Dance	Pasta	Wellbeing	After school	
157	52	328	40	150	31	37	35	115	241	100	163	41	410	755	2655



Active Travel – Dr Bike

Many people have bikes that they do not use due to minor mechanical faults – this acts as a barrier, preventing them from using their bikes for both exercise and as a mode of transport.

The Dr Bike initiative provides residents with a free to access service, where they can bring along their bike and have bike engineers from the Active Health team carry out repairs. If residents also need to increase their confidence prior to riding their bike, they can book onto community bike rides led by Active Health coaches.

To date, 8 events have taken place across South Ribble, with an average of 11 bikes being fixed per session. This has created estimated savings of £3,080 for residents based on £35 Halfords services.

These sessions have been held in the following locations, often alongside members from the Community Hub area, holding Community Conversations: Withy Grove, Lostock Hall, Kingsfold, Fox Lane, St Mary's, Farington Fun day, CNOS, Gregson Lane Community Centre.



Case study of LT, Leyland who first attended St Mary's Community Centre Dr Bike

"It's an excellent idea for all those old or broken bikes that are sitting unused in the garage."

- Has diabetes. Advised to walk/bike 5 miles a day to keep it under control. Walking takes him 1.5 hours.
- His wife spotted the Bike Repair Pop-up on Facebook and suggested he dug his old bike out of the garage to get fixed and get back on it. Will take him half the time to do 5 miles a day cycling rather than walking.
- The last time John rode his bike, he fell off it and into a brook. It knocked his confidence and he has been too scared to get back on it.
- Once his bike is fixed, John is interested in joining Dave Boyle's free weekly community bike rides. Proven to reduce social isolation and loneliness.
- Since the event, JT has attended more than 3 guided rides and usually the first name on our registers when launching the rides.

Bamber Bridge Resident – Dr Bike

"What you're doing is brilliant. I can't believe it's free."



R A-J, Leyland – Dr Bike

"Keep up the good work! There's going to be a growing need for this kind of support, as it's getting harder for people. It's nice to know our Council bothers and cares about people. My wife managed to grab the last bird nesting box in a giveaway at a park recently. I built it up and put it up in the garden. It looks great! I'm happy to pay my Council tax."

"Excellent Initiative"
Jo Beaman, SRBC.
Dr Bike

An extract from a letter of thanks from Appleby Wood School, Lostock Hall

Today we have had David and Nigel from SRBC bike servicing and repair team, come to school and make 13 bikes usable for our SEN pupils. The smile on the pupils faces as they rode the bikes around the school track. One of our 14year old pupils had never been on a bike until today. We asked the local community for help by donating any unused bikes. We received about 30 in total but none of them were usable and none of our staff able to repair due to the sudden leaving of our school caretaker.

Today David and Nigel have made such a difference. They were both amazing with the pupils, some of whom can be very challenging, they were both friendly, chatty, polite and they went way above and beyond our expectation. This will be a huge benefit to school and to our pupils. Thank you very, very, much for all that you have done today. You will never know how appreciated it has been.

Kind regards, Shelley Walton, Pastoral Support



Active Travel – Bikes for job seekers

This scheme utilises donated bikes/bikes from Active Lancashire and helps job seekers access employment by loaning out bikes. This provides job seekers with free travel, the ability to access employment opportunities further afield, and also improves their physical health.

5 Bikes have been loaned out to date, with donations coming from Key Unlocking Futures, Progress Housing Group, DWP, and Lancashire County Council's Homes for Ukraine scheme.



Kimberley Bickerdike, LCC.

Bikes for Job Seekers/Ukrainian Refugee
"THANK YOU SO MUCH! Svetlana is really happy about having her own bike and this will help massively with her independence and getting to and from work. I REALLY appreciate your help with this. You've made Svit's life so much easier and she can now travel to and from work independently"

Bikes for Job Seekers, Bamber Bridge.

"Thanks to having this bike I will be able to get to college and save money by not using public transport"

Keith Vaughton, Key, Bikes for Job Seekers

"The bikes will make a massive difference to some of the residents here at Foundations. Thanks again Matt for your time & effort."

Bikes for Job Seekers, Walton le Dale.

"The bike will now give me more freedom to get to work, plus it will get me fit"

Bikes for Job Seekers, Leyland.

"I suffer from anxiety so the bikes will allow me to travel around the local area, to work and catch up with friends"

Active Travel – Community Bike Rides

Community bike rides help residents build confidence and competence to cycle safely, both on the roads and within parks and open spaces.

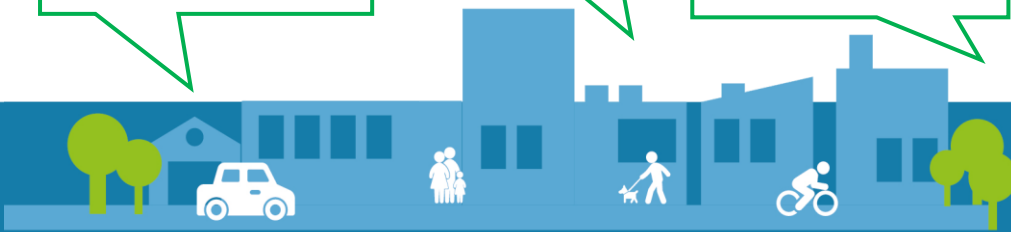
In 2022/23, 10 community rides have taken place, with an average of 7 people per ride and covering an average distance of 9 miles. This totals approximately 700 individual miles by residents.

To date, rides have been launched from: Western Parishes, Leyland, Bamber Bridge, and Penwortham.

It was all well organized and well planned by Dave Boyle the ride leader and enjoyed by all who attended. Many thanks to them both for putting it on. It was great to socialize with a nice group of fellow cyclists after some time out due the pandemic and today's ride has certainly left me wanting to further explore the South Ribble area a bit more. I'll be back again before long – it's a lovely area and there is no better way of seeing it than by the humble bicycle. Here's hoping for more of the same over the coming year!



A big thank you to David Boyle and Mike Bower for a very well organised and enjoyable day with good company. Route was very interesting. I look forward to another organised event like this one.
PR, Longton, Guided Ride



Mental Health First Aid

In the aim to improve knowledge and capacity within the community for identifying mental health challenges, managing conversations about mental health, and making appropriate referrals, 8 mental health first aid courses have been delivered across South Ribble in 2022/23. These courses have been delivered across all five Community Hub areas, targeting community stakeholders and partners that have frequent and meaningful contact with residents.

To date, this has included individuals from local government, Police, Fire, NHS, housing associations, community groups, schools, sports clubs, and more. All courses have been delivered by local mental health charity and partner, Lancashire Mind.

2 suicide first aid courses are scheduled to be delivered in May 2023. These will be promoted to all existing mental health first aiders. A Mental Health Forum will also be launched in May, where mental health first aiders will come together for peer support, and to discuss current and emerging issues relating to mental health.

Following a report to Cabinet in January 2023 that presented a Mental Health Action Plan, a further £20,000 has been allocated to fund mental health first aid courses throughout 2023, in addition to £5,000 for mental health awareness and events, and £20,000 for building on provision relating to social isolation.



Working with
 Lancashire
for better mental health

Dementia Friendly Communities

The Communities team provides resource to coordinate the South Ribble Dementia Action Alliance. The Alliance aims to enhance the quality of life of people living with dementia (and their carers) in South Ribble, through setting objectives, and the delivery of projects and activities. Activity throughout 2022/23 has included:

- Holding an event with over 50 partners to discuss current and emerging issues.
- Creating over 50 new Dementia Friends through the delivery of Dementia Friends sessions.
- Almost 20 banners have been placed throughout the borough encouraging individuals and businesses to become more dementia friendly.
- A living well walk was held in September through Longton Nature Reserve to celebrate World Alzheimer's Day 2022.



Social Isolation

Significant work continues to be carried out to combat social isolation and loneliness across South Ribble. This includes:

- Further development of the resocialisation cafes established during the pandemic. These were established to ease residents back into socialising following reports of increased social anxiety. There are now 9 cafes that operate across the borough on a weekly basis, which are funded until 2025.
- Supporting the expansion of Talkin Tables, who now operate in Leyland, Penwortham, Lostock Hall, Bamber Bridge, and Longton.
- The establishment of a Social Isolation Network, to share best practice amongst community groups, encourage collaborative working, and discuss current and emerging issues.
- Development of a Directory of Services and Activities – this outlines all social isolation and loneliness provision throughout the borough, as well as complementing services.
- Installation of over 15 'Happy to Chat' benches across the borough.



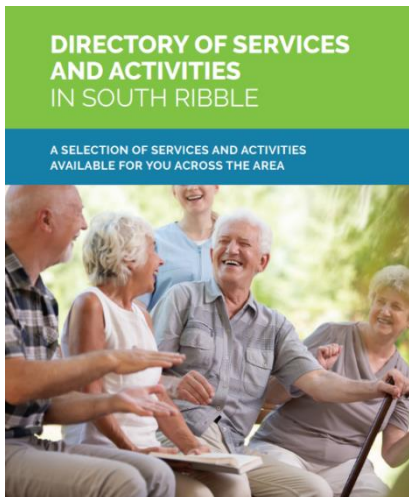
Welcome to Your...
Talkin' Table

This table is for people who would like to **enjoy the company of others**

"Hi, just introducing myself. I'm Deana and I host talking tables at Cappuccino cafe on Buckshaw. Joining talking tables has to be the best thing I have ever done. I suffer from a chronic illness which causes anxiety and depression. I now have a reason to get up in the morning, plus all the new friends I've made. Deana Crawford"

"Today 19 people who would otherwise have spent the Bank Holiday alone met up for lunch. This is what talking tables is about. People from 4 groups met, some met each other for the 1st time. Good food, a good laugh and new friendships made."

"Joining talking tables in Leyland at hideout has been the best thing I've done and I've made some lovely friends and enjoy meeting for coffee and chat and it's done my mental health a world of good. Susan Bulmer"



Lancashire Youth Challenge

South Ribble Borough Council acknowledged the impact the pandemic had on young people's confidence, self-esteem and connection with their peers - particularly those who were in the transitional years from primary school to high school. As a result, Lancashire Youth Challenge was commissioned to deliver a series of workshops and their pilot 'RESTORE' programme. RESTORE is a 12-week programme of activities, aimed to enhance young people's physical and emotional wellbeing through creativity, fitness and outdoor adventure.

Students from Lostock Hall Academy and Worden took part in yoga and personal training sessions to develop their physical fitness and mental wellbeing. The groups were empowered to creatively express their views on the world in which they live through drumming, beatboxing, spoken word and filmmaking. The 'Challenge Day' saw both groups push out of their comfort zone and build strong relationships with their peers as they supported one another to tackle ghyll scrambling and canoeing at Coniston amongst other outdoor activities.

The penultimate projects for the groups saw Lostock Hall Academy develop spoken word poetry, sound and video to produce a short film entitled 'My Life is a Playground'. Using various references to school playground games as a metaphor for the emotional challenges they overcome at school through the support of peers and resilience building.



New project by South Ribble Council restores self-esteem of South Ribble teenagers post pandemic

Teenage students at schools in South Ribble have taken part in a new project aiming to improve their self-esteem and confidence post-pandemic.

Worden produced an immersive photo-poetic exhibition based on their experiences. The exhibition showcased photographs taken by the group to instil the importance of individual experiences and the impact they have on perceptions of the world.

Attendees of the exhibition were able to understand the importance of self-concept and individuality in a sensory stimulating and immersive experience via the photographs and soundscapes exhibited.

The pupils that took part in LYC's RESTORE programme have highlighted that gaining trust, developing confidence, building personal resilience, making new friends and having fun.

Worden Academy's progress and intervention manager, Kate Green, said: "Taking part in this intervention has given our students an opportunity to find their voice and express themselves in ways they wouldn't believe they were capable of. They have been pushed out of their comfort zones but felt confident throughout due to the patience and kindness of all the staff involved.

"It has been great to have a variety of activities tackling both physical and emotional challenges. The outdoor adventure day was fantastic and provided a unique experience for our pupils that they will never forget."



Youth Council

The Youth Council is a group of young people aged 13-17 that meet on a bi-weekly basis to engage in local decision making (providing a voice for young people), debate about issues important to them, and deliver thematic projects to create a positive impact across our communities. This is a development platform for young people, with the aim of creating future community leaders. Activity has included, but is not limited to:

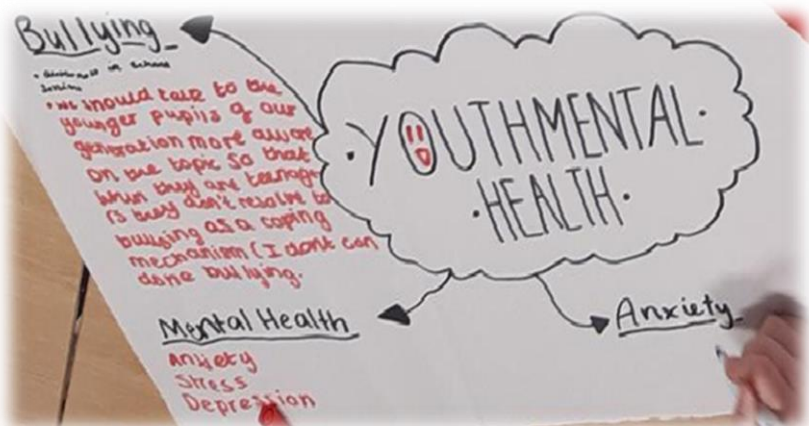
- Consultation on mental health workshops delivered in schools by Lancashire Youth Challenge. This provided Youth Council members with the opportunity to co-design the content delivered to their peers.
- Creation of a 'Community Christmas Tree' in the Shield Room. Containing positive messages from Youth Council members and partners.
- Delivered a presentation at Cabinet in the Community, providing first-hand accounts of what it like to be a Youth Council member – receiving positive feedback from both members and residents.
- Taken part in interviews to be featured on Radio Leyland.

Projects:

The first project theme chosen by the Youth Council was 'Cost of Living'. The Youth Council decided to hold a 3-day pop up shop event named the 'Festive Freecycle'. The free shops in Leyland, Bamber Bridge and Penwortham offered warm winter clothes and toys, which the Youth Council hoped would help members of the community in the winter months, as well as offer people the opportunity to have a 'conscious Christmas' by regifting the items on offer in the shops.

In order to prepare for the events, the Youth Council created a series of advertisements that were put on social media, requesting donations and promoting the pop-up shop events. By hosting Q&A sessions with Community Development and Communications officers, the Youth Council gained valuable insights and support regarding project planning, health and safety and advertisement.

Following a successful first project, Youth Council members identified youth mental health as their next area of focus.



Boost Fund

Round 3 – March 2022

Successful applications were:

- The installation of planters in schools across the Bamber Bridge, Lostock Hall & Walton-le-Dale area (to be completed in March 2023).
- Funds for equipment for the Garden Angels project in the Western Parishes (ongoing).
- Installation of life saving belts across the Penwortham side of the River Ribble (ongoing).
- Shelving and trolleys for Leyland Foodbank (complete).

Round 4 - October 2022 (Warm Welcome)

Successful applications were:

- Preston North End 'Kicks' programme to be delivered on Friday evenings for 6-months at Withy Grove Sports Hub to reduce reports of anti-social behaviour.
- Funding to all hubs to support Warm Welcome initiatives. This has included:
 - Creating winter warmth packs to be distributed to vulnerable residents.
 - Providing grants to community venues to provide a warm welcome / warm space. This has created over 15 new warm spaces for residents to attend across South Ribble.



All venues providing a Warm Welcome can be found on the council's website.

Foodbanks and Community Shops

The Council coordinates a 'Community Food Network', where foodbanks and community shops across South Ribble come together to network, share information, discuss current and emerging issues, identify opportunities for collaboration, and share surplus stock.

Members of the network includes Leyland Foodbank, Penwortham Foodbank, New Day Church Food Hub (Lostock Hall), Christian Community Larder (Bamber Bridge), The Base Community Shop (Broadfield, Leyland), Wade Hall Community Shop (Leyland), Community Network Outreach Service Community Shop (Moss Side, Leyland), and TippyToes Baby Bank.

Between these members, approximately 350-450 families and individuals are supported each week with either free or significantly subsidised food and household essentials.

Activity to support foodbanks and community shops over the past 12 months includes:

- Providing each foodbank/community shop with grants from various grant programmes using external funding.
- Supporting foodbanks to develop their model into a community shop model, increasing dignity for those that they support.
- Supported Brownedge Christians Together Food Bank to develop into a community shop through the Bamber Bridge, Lostock Hall and Walton-le-Dale funding a new community larder (converted shipping container).
- Providing access to free training, including food hygiene and digital skills courses.
- Work with partners that offer complementing services to attend community shops and cafes (i.e. Citizen's Advice, Christians Against Poverty).
- Allocated funding in the council's annual budget for a premise for Tippy Toes Baby Bank.



Cost of Living / South Ribble Together

The Council is leading work to support residents through the Cost of Living crisis, including chairing a multi-agency working group, with membership from organisations including DWP, Progress Housing, Citizens Advice Bureau and Key Unlocking Futures. This builds on the successful South Ribble Together COVID response

A Cost of Living conference was held in August 2022, with key local partners to discuss the challenges being faced, and how we can work together to support our residents. Insightful feedback was received from representatives from local foodbanks, charities, churches, health workers and volunteers. The working group has created an action plan which focuses on outcomes which will make a real and tangible difference to households in South Ribble.

Some of the work carried out to date:

- Webpages created southribble.gov.uk/southribbletogether - to enable 24/7 access to information on support services
- Help Through Crisis commissioned through Citizens Advice Bureau for intensive
- A cost of living marketplace event for residents to drop in and access assistance
- Enhanced HAF school holiday activity programme – food and toiletries provided
- Locally funded HAF Plus activities in October 2022 and February 2023
- Warm Homes grants schemes
- Funding and practical support to South Ribble Community Food Network – adding capacity to community shops and pantries
- Pledge to the national warm welcome campaign – warmwelcome.uk
- Use of Household Support Funding to provide:
 - vouchers for gas, energy and water
 - energy adaptations such as boiler replacements, new windows, loft insulation
 - flooring, curtains, warm clothing and bedding
 - move-on funding for women’s refuge and youth homelessness schemes
 - funding to help people sustain tenancies and prevent breakdown
 - crisis grants to extremely vulnerable residents
 - shopping vouchers for fresh food from Leyland Market
 - food parcels, toiletries and cleaning products



School Uniform Shop

Following a successful project in 2021, the uniform shop was delivered again in 2022, however this time from a retail unit on Hough Lane, Leyland. This aimed to increase the dignity for shoppers, using plain discreet carrier bags as you would receive from any other shop.

Over a three-week period, this scheme supported 607 families with over 1,500 items of school uniform. Positive feedback was received from residents that attended – explaining that the scheme helped relieve financial pressures.

Week 1		Week 2		Week 3	
Day	No. Families	Day	No. Families	Day	No. Families
1	107	4	60	8	47
2	57	5	50	9	33
3	74	6	42	10	32
		7	40	11	62

THE GREAT BIG SCHOOL UNIFORM APPEAL & POP UP SHOP 2022
South Ribble Schools

Have you got school uniform that is in wearable condition? We would like your clean, wearable, outgrown or unused uniforms which we can offer out to families

Please drop them off at 52 Hough Lane, next door to Grahams, Thurs 28 July 10-3pm & Fri 29 July 9-1pm

**As this distributed offered out to all families, all donated items MUST be cleaned and washed or we cannot accept it, nor can we accept ripped or damaged uniform, worn socks or underwear. Thank you for your understanding.

THE POP UP UNIFORM SHOP
52 Hough Lane, Leyland
Opens Monday 1st August at 10am
Mon 1 Aug - Wed 3 Aug 10am -2pm
Mon 8 Aug - Thurs 11 Aug 10am -2pm
All stock will be free. All families are welcome to visit and take advantage of this great initiative
For all queries contact: sam.jones@southribble.gov.uk



TIPPYTOES WINTER WARMER POP UP SHOP
Supported by South Ribble Borough Council

TippyToes Winter Warmth Pop Up Shop

This project supported families over the winter period by providing free warm clothing and blankets, donated by residents. This was a one-day event and supported over 100 families.

Positive feedback was received from those that attended.

This included a family with 6 children of varying ages, where the eldest (11-year old boy) explained to one of the volunteers that his mum had been crying due to the worry of purchasing new coats. This project meant she no longer had to worry. He took away a new coat and was so pleased he did not want to take it off.



Pop-up Bike Shop

Following the delivery of various active travel projects, the Active Health team had some spare bike remaining. These bikes were used to deliver low-cost bike shops, to help families access affordable but quality Christmas presents. A small fee was charged for the bikes to prevent the scheme being taken advantage of, whilst also mirroring the sense of dignity and ownership which struggling families get from the community shop model (small charge in return for higher value goods).

The team organised 3 pop-up shops to be held at the Civic Centre (Leyland), Bamber Bridge Leisure Centre, and Penwortham Community Centre (Kingsfold). The times of each shop were 4:30pm-6:30pm. All monies collected from the shops were donated to the Mayor's Charity. The shops achieved an amazing total of £1210.

In total 60 bikes were sold.

I visited the event and managed to buy an adult female bike. I just wanted to email and say a massive thank you!! I have wanted a bike for a long time with the purpose of using it to nip to the shops, get exercise and encourage my daughter, aged 5, to learn to ride (with the hope that at some point we can go on bike rides together). I work and I understand I am more fortunate than many. However, as a single parent my income goes on my child, the home and basics. I couldn't justify the expense of a bike and spending that money on myself. Your scheme has been a fabulous solution! The fact the bike was checked was excellent. However, the fact I received a bag of goodies that would have cost more than the bike was absolutely amazing. I used the voucher to purchase a helmet after the event. Thank you to those who organised the scheme and also to the people that ran and prepped the event-after speaking to them it was clear how much work had gone into it.
(LS, Bamber Bridge)

At his age there's no point buying brand new because he grows so fast. This is perfect
(Parent, Bamber Bridge)

I can't afford brand new bikes, but these are affordable and safer than buying from Facebook
(Parent, Civic Centre)



**SOUTH RIBBLE
POP-UP
BIKE
SHOP**

Civic Centre, Leyland, PR25 1DH
- Tuesday 6th December, 4:30pm - 6:30pm

Bamber Bridge Leisure Centre, PR5 6YJ
- Wednesday 7th December, 4:30pm - 6:30pm

Penwortham Community Centre, PR1 9EQ
- Thursday 8th December, 4:30pm - 6:30pm

**Bikes for age 5 to adults
ALL BIKES
£20-£30
CASH ONLY**

Monies will be donated to the Mayor's Charity*

Bikes distributed	
Civic Centre, Leyland	18
Bamber Bridge Leisure Centre	25
Penwortham Community Centre, Kingsfold	17



Volunteers Recruitment

A volunteer recruitment event was held by the Bamber Bridge, Lostock Hall and Walton-le-Dale Community Hub. 24 different community groups and organisations attended, where groups gained new volunteers, trustees, and connections through networking.

The event was considered a success and all other Community Hub areas have committed to delivering similar event in their area in 2023, making the event accessible to residents from all areas within the borough.

Barking Mad	Read Easy Preston
Carr Street Community Centre	Wellness Café (BB Methodist)
Tender Nursing Care	St James Coffee Morning
Talkin' Tables	Key Charity
Tippy Toes Babybank	South Ribble Scouts
Finley's Families	Preston & District Samaritans
Leyland in Bloom	Friends of Hurst Grange Park
Radio Leyland	Preston Community Transport
St Aidan's Community Hub	Friends of Leyland Station
Christian Community Larder	Friends of Withy Grove
Age Concern Lancashire Shops	Guides
Lancashire Adult Learning	Air Ambulance

Positive Diversionary Activities

Penwortham Community Hub piloted a positive diversionary activities project in partnership with the Active Health team. This involved opening the AstroTurf pitch at Penwortham Priory for 'Turn Up & Play' sessions, targeting young people in secondary school aged 11-16. The session on Tuesday 14th engaged 96 young people over the course of 3 hours. The Session on Thursday 16th engaged 62 Young People. Following a successful pilot, other Community Hubs have expressed an interest in running similar schemes in their areas.

Further to this, the Bamber Bridge, Lostock Hall and Walton-le-Dale Community Hub have commissioned Preston North End to run their 'Kicks' programme on Friday evenings at Withy Grove Sports Hub, aiming to reduce reports of anti-social behaviour. These sessions are due to start in March.



VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT EVENT 2023

AT BAMBER BRIDGE FOOTBALL CLUB

DATE: Wednesday 11th January
TIME: 4.30pm-8pm

THANK YOU TO BBFC FOR HOSTING THIS EVENT

HERE ARE JUST A FEW OF THE ORGANISATIONS JOINING US:

- TippyToes
- Finley's Families
- Community Christian Larder
- Talkin' Tables
- Carr Street Community Cafe
- Garden Angels
- Read Easy Preston
- Tender Nursing Care
- St James Coffee Morning
- Friends of Hurst Grange Park
- Friends of Leyland Station
- Leyland Community Radio
- South Ribble Scouts
- Samaritans
- Lancashire Adult Learning
- and more!!!!

WHY VOLUNTEER?

- MEET NEW FRIENDS
- GAIN NEW SKILLS
- TAKE PRIDE IN YOUR LOCAL AREA
- HELP OTHERS
- SHARE YOUR KNOWLEDGE & SKILLS
- MAKE A DIFFERENCE
- WORK EXPERIENCE

DONT MISS OUT

We have invited all our local community groups, charities & partners to our special one-off event where you can meet the group leaders & other volunteers & find out how you can get involved.

No experience necessary, simply pop along to our informal event, grab yourself a drink & find out more!



Local Leisure

As part of the council's Leisure Local Agenda, there has been significant investment into leisure across all South Ribble's Community Hub areas. This has included the delivery of the Leisure Local Community Fund grant scheme, and other grants to schools, sports clubs and community groups to improve facilities accessible for community use.

Leisure Local Community Fund Grants included:

Grant Recipient	Project	Grant Amount
Penwortham Priory Academy	Cricket Astro turf Wicket	£9,455
Boxclever CIC	Fighting Back (free to access sessions)	£9,900
Leyland & Chorley Hockey Club	Hockey 4 All (free to access sessions)	£9,970
Leyland Warriors Rugby Club	Improvement of facilities	£20,000
Brookfield Hockey Club	Back to Hockey – Back to Health	£2,420
Penwortham Boxing Club	Gym Improvements	£20,000
Penwortham Boxing Club	Free to access boxing and circuits	£10,000
Eagle and Child Bowling Club	Disabled Access Toilets	£13,000
South Ribble Netball Club	Mixed and return to netball	£4,000
St James Players	Play and pantomime production	£4,423
Lostock Hall Juniors FC	Linden Drive Pitch Drainage	£15,000
Leyland St Andrews CE PTFA	Playtime equipment and storage	£1,000
St Paul's Bowling Club	On the right path – site improvements	£17,000
Walton-le-Dale Juniors FC	Community football pitch improvements	£5,000
CNOS	Saturday sessions for young people	£3,320
CNOS	Swim and learn	£7,400
Penwortham Cricket Club	Car park and outdoor regeneration	£20,000
9 th Penwortham Scouts Group	Scout hut refurbishment and equipment	£5,000
Leyland Barracudas ASC	World class coaching for members	£4,360
Affinity Performing Arts	Performing arts productions	£5,000
Leyland Pirates FC	Football goals and storage	£19,000
Hoole Village Memorial Hall	Completion of car parking and landscaping	£20,000
New Longton Sports & Social Club	Upgrade of changing rooms	£19,999
TOTAL		£245,247

Other Leisure Local Grants included:

Grant Recipient	Project	Grant Amount
Fox Lane Sports and Social Club	Improve of facilities	£217,500
Lostock Hall Academy	Sports hall and facilities improvements	£200,000
Penwortham Priory Academy	Changing room refurbishment	£180,000
Gregson Green Community Centre	New community centre	£300,000
TOTAL		£897,500

Boost Fund Plus

£283,849 was awarded to community groups and organisations across South Ribble to deliver projects that would create positive outcomes for residents and communities. Community Hubs shortlisted applications from groups/organisations within their area, ahead of decisions being made by the decision-making panel. A breakdown of the awarded grants is shown below:

Grant Recipient	Project	Grant Amount
Longton VM	Modernisation of entrance and lounge	£48,842
Samlesbury Memorial Hall	Outdoor patio and field	£16,741
Walton-le-Dale Recreation Society	Woodland walk and sensory garden	£8,000
Churches Together	Delivery van for furniture scheme	£20,000
St Ambrose Halls for All	Warm halls for all (heating improvements)	£15,000
Key Unlocking Futures	Base 2 Community Centre	£34,545
Leyland Community Radio	Refurbishment of studio	£5,000
Leyland United Reformed Church	Development of new community space	£19,000
8 th Penwortham St Teresa's Scout Group	Scout hut refurbishment	£13,130
Penwortham Town Council	Middleforth Community Garden	£15,000
Penwortham Town Council	Mental health first aid courses	£10,000
Penwortham Town Council	Hill road cemetery – road resurfacing	£30,000
Age Concern Central Lancs	Friendship and Activities Hall refurbishment	£19,500
Finley's Families CIC	Finley's First Steps – course for parents	£19,091
St Catherine's Hospice	Upgrading pathways	£10,000
TOTAL		£283,849



Appendix B - Annual Communities Highlight Report 2022-23

Projects delivered by Community Hubs in 2022-23

Bamber Bridge, Lostock Hall & Walton-le-Dale	Eastern Parishes	Leyland & Farington	Penwortham	Western Parishes
Safer Streets parking campaign	South Ribble in Bloom	Installation of Happy to Chat benches	Penwortham Live 2022	New Longton Improvements Neighbourhood Forum
Love Where you Live – anti littering and dog fouling campaign	Gregson Green Sporting Improvements – new changing rooms and goal post storage	Supported the development of St Mary's Community Centre (grants for equipment and provision)	Penwortham / South Ribble in Bloom	New Longton speeding and traffic control liaison with Lancashire County Council
Installation of Happy to Chat benches	Improvements to George V Recreation Ground – wooden carvings and painted railings	South Ribble in Bloom	Establish boardgame afternoon at Kingsfold Library	Longton Live 2022
Dr Bike sessions	Winter warmth packs and Warm Welcome grants	Love Where you Live – anti littering and dog fouling campaign	Skew Bridge planters	Support Longton WI in 100yr celebrations action plan
Improvements to Church Road Gardens for Battle of Bamber Bridge memorial	Installation of plaques to create Happy to Chat benches	Improvements to Moss Side Community Centre	Deer Welcome Feature	Dob Lane Playing Fields Improvements
Accessories/safety packs for pop-up bike shop	Christmas What's On Guide	Eagle and Child Bowling Club Veranda	Development of Kingsfold Luncheon club	South Ribble in Bloom
New Community Larder foodbank premises	Grant – Carr Manor Nursery for play equipment and community use room refurbish for Talkin Tables £1,500	Fox Lane Sports and Social Club – community clean up and support to access funding	Liverpool Road Christmas Banners	Support South Ribble Dementia Action Alliance Living Well Walk at Longton Brickcroft
Deer welcome feature at Walton Park	Grant – Play Dor Nursery for play equipment £500	Farington and Friends Fun Day	Middleforth Community Banners	Little Hoole Bridge Improvements
Christmas What's On Guide	Grant – Samlesbury CE School for environmental project £1,000	Broadfield Community Garden – clean up and friends group development	Bee Lane Heritage Trail	Longton Christmas lights switch on
South Ribble in Bloom	Grant – Local guides group to activities £500	Farington Lodges improvements	Support Guardians of Nature to adopt the allotment patch	New Longton Christmas lights switch on
Local provision – what's on guide	Grant – Coupe Green School PTFA (recycling bins) £800	Christmas What's On Guide	Christmas What's On Guide	Christmas What's On Guide
Support establishment of Lostock Hall Carnival Committee	Dr Bikes sessions	Warm Welcome grants and hot water bottles	Grant – Penwortham Boxing Club gym equipment £1,000	Launch of Garden Angels scheme to recruit volunteers
Volunteer recruitment event		Grant – CNOS Littles £845	Grant – Penwortham in Bloom £1,000	
Poppies and tommy soldier statue for Remembrance Sunday		Grant – CNOS Seniors £1,200	Grant – Penwortham Library shelving £1,000	
Bug hotels / welcome signs (to be completed in March)		Grant – CNOS Sun Shine project £2,000	Middleforth Community Garden (work starting in March)	
Installation of Tiered Beehive Planters (to be finalised in March)		Grant – Friends of Leyland Station, Moss Lane Entrance Improvements £1,500	Positive diversionary activities for young people – turn up and play football sessions	
Installation of Schools Planters (to be finalised in March)		Grant – Sporting Memories Days Out £1,000	Dr Bike sessions	
		Grant – Midge Hall Peace Garden £1,500	Stop speeding signs designed in schools – to be completed in March	
		Dr Bike sessions	Fruit trees planting in Hurst Grange Park	

