## ONE TRAFFORD

Local News from the One Trafford Partnership



Staff from the One Trafford Partnership helped spread festive cheer throughout the region by donating almost £2,000 worth of goods to local causes.

One Trafford staff and partner suppliers contributed to appeals including the Trussell Trust Christmas Appeal and the Care Leaver's Christmas Appeal.

More than 200 items were donated and delivered to the Trussell Trust Foodbank in Stretford. Worth £914, these donations helped make Christmas more affordable for Trafford families.

Trafford Council's Christmas appeal for young care leavers also received plenty of support from the team. One Trafford staff and partner suppliers including AT Nolan, PSI Group and CU Phosco Lighting donated 107 Christmas presents, which were valued at almost £900, to add a little magic to the festive season for young people leaving the care service. Gifts included items like blankets, earphones, perfume, and restaurant vouchers.

The One Trafford Partnership also supported the region's cared-for community once more over the festive period, donating several raffle prizes to a family fun day and party which was hosted exclusively for them by the council.

Mark Bailey, Trafford Council's Advocacy and Engagement Officer for the Children's Right's Service, said: "We were able to give presents to all our care leavers thanks to the generosity of the One Trafford Partnership and other supporters. We received large amounts of selection boxes and other amazing gifts including over 125 vouchers. On behalf of our young people, I'd like to thank you for all of your support."





## Region's recycling in safe hands

Six-year-old recycling enthusiast, George demonstrated that the region's recycling is in safe hands when he got behind the wheel of one of our bin lorries.

George's mum got in touch to inform us of his enthusiasm for all things bins. We went on to invite him and his mum for a tour of our depot, giving the recycling prodigy a first-hand experience of how we deliver his favourite service.

As well as getting to take the hotseat in one of our bin lorries, George, along with his mum, also saw our inhouse mechanics, our green spaces vehicles and much more. George shared his enjoyment of the day with all his schoolfriends, driving the message home to our next generation of recyclers.

## Colleagues' impact felt in local community

Staff from the One Trafford Partnership spent their Social Impact Days (SIDs) volunteering in a range of ways, from staffing local Cancer Research shops to participating in St Paul's Church inaugural Christmas Tree Festival.

Staff at the OTP are given the opportunity to take two SIDs per year which they can spend volunteering for a worthy cause in the local community.

Nantwich and Ashton's Cancer Research UK shops played host to two members of staff from the OTP who spent their day's work steaming new garments, culling old stock, and organising the stock room. Cancer Research UK are the official charity partner for the One Trafford Partnership.

Another colleague chose to spend one of their SIDs at St Paul's Christmas Tree Festival. Here, they spent their day decorating Christmas trees and making hot drinks for visitors. Over 800 people came along to the festive event where 25 trees were decorated. All surplus trees were placed outside the church the following day for local people, who could not afford to buy their own tree, to take home.







The One Trafford Partnership's activities this winter were worth more than £4000 to partner charity, Cancer Research UK.

A range of events including a donation station, a charity walk, a brew and bake and Christmas jumper day helped bring the value of the partnership's activities to more than £4000.

Set up at our depot, the donation station contributed £3,534 to that total value. Colleagues were invited to

leave their bags of unwanted items at the donation station which soon became populated with 155 bags.

Meanwhile, the Shine Walk saw five OTP colleagues lace up their walking boots for an evening 10K walk through Manchester City Centre, raising £370.

Festivities are nothing without treats and Cancer Research's annual Brew and Bake gave us the opportunity to test out our baking skills as staff brought in home-made banana bread, lemon drizzle and delicious brownies, raising £25 in the process! In further food

news, staff were encouraged to wear a Christmas jumper in exchange for a donation to our partner charity at our company Christmas lunch, raising an additional £119!



## Team Trafford give Friends a hand

The One Trafford Partnership got stuck in at two events hosted by local Friends of Parks groups over the winter.

Firstly, the recycling team joined forces with the Friends of Moor Nook Park in Sale at the annual Apple Festival on Saturday 8th October. Here, they promoted minimising food waste and recycling by bringing along materials for residents to take home and inviting attendees to participate in 'The Right Stuff, Right Bin' game.

Less than a week later, on Friday 14th October, five colleagues from our Grounds Maintenance team pitched in to help the Friends of Stamford Park reinstate and restore the Altrincham park's iconic serpentine bed which dates back to the 1930s. The team helped dig out the outer beds and pledged to make a planting plan for the bed to cover the next 12 months.



Did you know? Stamford Park was donated to the people of Altrincham by the 7th Earl of Stamford in 1789



We delivered two recycling sessions in the space of four days to the 5th Urmston Scouts Group. This helped the scouts acquire their World Challenge badge which requires them to meet with someone who helps their local community.

The scouts took part in interactive games to understand how much food we waste, how to sort their recycling and which bin is for what kind of waste. They also designed their own bins with templates provided by Recycle for Greater Manchester. The resulting bins were of various colour and design, with some specifically designed for throwing away certain football teams, homework and even school!

Not only did they take away new badges, they also got a gift bag with a recycled pencil, spaghetti measure and word search. Both a food waste guide and recycling guide were included for the parents/carers to take home as well as a roll of compostable food waste bins.











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