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#### **CYCLE SATURDAY**

Pictures from our Grand Depart and info on our 5 new Cycle Trails!

#### **STREET SPORTS**

Find out about our new activity scheme for young people



## BRITISH NERF CHAMPIONSHIPS

Macclesfield is to host the first British NERF Championships this September





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# The First Macclesfield

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Cycle Saturday

On 1st July, the same day as the start of this year's Tour de France, Macclesfield hosted its very own Grand Depart in Market Place.

With the help of Macclesfield Wheelers, Macclesfield Council organised a day of cycling-themed activities included guided cycle rides, speed trials, smoothie bike, yoga for cyclists, cycle repair workshops, first aid for cyclists and much more.

The event also focused the launch of the Cheshire East Cycle Strategy, which aims to deliver investment in cycling infrastructure.





The event was supported by the Fire Service and Macclesfield Police who gave advice on cycle safety and security as well as giving some young people the chance to get close to the fire engine and the police bikes.

Helena Gowler, who organised the event on behalf of Macclesfield Council, said "It was lovely to see so many people taking part in the day and enjoying themselves. I am really looking forward to our future cycling events and projects".

As well as all the community groups at the event, councillors joined in and our new Town Crier was there to send the cyclists on their way and cheer the day along. The event also saw the launch of 5 new cycle trails around Macclesfield, which are now available online as well as from the library, the Visitor Information Centre and our town hall offices.

More information on the cycle trails and events in Macclesfield can be found on the council's website - www.macclesfield-tc.gov.uk







# Macclesfield Heritage Trail Now Availble

With the kind help of Dorothy Bentley Smith, a local historian and writer, Macclesfield Council has published a Heritage Trail around Macclesfield.



The trail is in the form of an 18-page booklet and contains historical information about some of the historic buildings and sites in Macclesfield. There are 44 sites listed in the trail guide with some of the more well known places in the town, as well as a few you will have walked past many times without realising anything about their history and importance to the Macclesfield.

Available from the Visitor Information Centre, the library and the town's museums, the guide is free. Or if you are more digitally inclined, it can be found on our website, www.macclesfield-tc.gov.uk.

At this point, by turning left up Mill wise turn right and walk to the crossing point to continue.



37 Memorial hustings fo

political meetings w political meetings were allowed, also public gathering and at one time even John Wesley was heard preaching here The area has always been public land, confirmed by the Enclosure Act of 1804, but the land surrounding it was 1804, but the land surrounding it was for a long period in the 18th and early 19th century owned by a family called Ryle. In 1785 John Ryle snr. a dyer, built a grand Georgian silk mill. His son became M.P. and partner in Daintry became M.P. and partner in Daintry and Ryle's bank on the nearby corner of Park Green and Sunderland Street, also in Manchester. Disaster struck in 1841, when the London banking agent stopped payment and bankruptcy was de



Houses These properties adjoin what was the

home of John Ryle snr. on the corner with Sunderland Street. One was at one time a library and reading room then a Gentleman's Club. The other on the right was the office of the silk workers right was the office of the silk workers' union, The Amalgamated Society of Textile Workers and Kindred Trades. The handloom weavers had combined originally in 1826 to negotiate with the employers, which for a while was



39 Park Green 39 Park Green
House. This is a
fascinating property
both inside and
out and beautifully
restored. The Flemis
gable end is unique
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reminiscent of William and Mary's reign (1689-1702), it was in fact built in the 1720s by a Robert Nixon on land leased from the Pickford family, tanners and malt suppliers. Soon it passed to Urian Whilton whose daughter married Thomas Ryle: he developed a dyeing business, His grandson, John inr. m to the extensive Park Lane Estate, which the family had bought in 1788, having married one of Richard Arkwright's granddaughters, and was M.P. for Macclesfield.



40 Sunderland Street In the late 18th and early 19th centuries the streets on either side were crowded with small silk mills, some as satellite buildings for the large Brocklehurst family business in Hurdsfield. about half a mile away



Whilst walking along the street notice the Georgian doorways on the left, which fortunately survived to the far end of the street, on the right, is the former Wesleyan Chapel.



25 Worth Hall Continuing towards the church, immediately on

side you will pass Worth Hall, originally a medieval mansion but modernised in the 18th century, this was the Town House of the Downes family of Pott Shrigley, a village close to Macclesfield. Robert Roe built his house on land then part of Worth Orchard. The row of interesting cottages



at the beginning of Chester Road are at least early 17th century, when part of the

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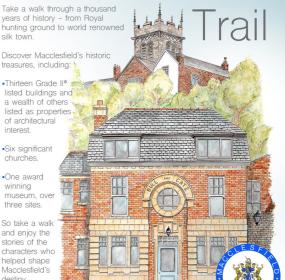
area belonged to another branch of the important Pickford family, Pinfold Street at the side, was originally Pickford Street.



26 Saint Alban's Dedicated to St Alban on 26th May 1841, the church is unique in two ways; firstly it is the only church built by

Pugin in the Shrewsbury Diocese: secondly, because of the area of land available, it was built north to south, so the altar faces south instead of traditionally east. The large altar window, a gift from the Earl of Shrewsbury, is another unusual feature. It is dominated by the figure of St. Alban, whereas convention dictated portrayal of one of the persons of the Blessed Trinity. Anothe unusual feature is the tower, which was planned to be much taller, but because of subsidence resulting in a depletion of

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27 Priest's House Immediately opposite the church, on Chester Road, is the house built by Fr. Hall, the first priest from 1821 to 1857. Next to this was the original St. Michael's chapel,









## Summer Colour Has Arrived

It's Macclesfield Council's second year delivering the floral displays for the town and we have invested in more barrier planters and new three tier planters. The barrier planters are spreading out to the entry points to the town centre and the 12 new three tier planters are displayed in the pedestrianised area of the town centre.





The hope is that each year we will invest in the displays and bring a bright splash of colour to the town for visitors and residents to appreciate.

For many years the provision and upkeep of these displays has been supported by a band of committed volunteers and we would welcome anyone who wanted to join in with this work or have any ideas for areas that could be improved with some planting and a bit of work.



Maybe one day, working together, we can take Macclesfield on to Britain in Bloom success. If you would like to contact us about the floral displays, please call us on 01625 374142 or email clerk@macclesfield-tc.gov.uk









## Your Mayor



Cllr Beverley Dooley was invested as Mayor of Macclesfield on 15th May 2017, the third mayor of Macclesfield Town Council, along with the Deputy Mayor, Cllr Adam Schofield. Cllr Dooley is theming her year as Mayor: 'Caring for one and all'

As a child Beverley lived in Bollington, where she attended St Gregory's Catholic School and later Poynton High School. After leaving school, Cllr Dooley worked in the family business. She has two children and two grandchildren.

As well as being a councillor on Macclesfield Town Council, Beverley also represents the Town Ward on Cheshire East Council. She enjoys patch-working, embroidery and reading. Her approach to life is that it's about "making memories and taking each day as it comes".

Each year, the mayor announces his or her nominated charities. This year they are Reach Out And Recover (ROAR) and Space4Autism (S4A). Both Macclesfield charities working directly with the community.

ROAR is a community organisation offering their service users a safe, secure and stable environment in which they can start to tackle their addictions and personal issues. S4A supports the whole family by holding monthly parent support meetings/workshops and events and clubs for all ages for those affected by Autism

There are two upcoming Mayoral events:

Mayor's Civic Service

The civic service welcomes and honours the new Town Mayor Sunday 23rd July, 3pm

St Alban's Church, Chester Road, Macclesfield All welcome to the service.

Mayor's Charity Afternoon Tea
Saturday 9th September, 3:30pm
Dorchester 3, Tytherington Club
Tickets £20 per person – contact the Civic Officer
civic@macclesfield-tc.gov.uk or 01625 374142
Raising funds for Reach Out and Recover and Space4Autism



**REACH OUT & RECOVER** 











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# Applications Open for Community Grants

Since its inception in 2015, Macclesfield Town Council has provided a Community Grant Scheme to support projects, events and activities in Macclesfield that demonstrate a benefit to residents and communities in the town.



Macclesfield Council has, to date, granted around £70,000 through its Community Grant Scheme to activities as diverse as the Potato Riot to the provision of community training.

There are two streams of funding, the small grants up to £250 and the larger fund up to £2,000. Information on the grants is available from our website or by emailing community@macclesfield-tc.gov.uk.

#### **Useful Contacts**

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Macclesfield East Ward

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## Cheshire East Council 0300 123 5500

#### **Cheshire East Highways**

Roads, potholes, roadworks, street lighting, parking & blue badge scheme 0300 123 5020

#### **Cheshire East Waste**

Bin collections, household waste, street cleansing & permits 0300 123 5011

#### **Cheshire East Development Control**

Planning applications, building regulations, tree preservation orders

0300 123 5014

#### **Cheshire East Social Services**

Adult social care, occupational health, assessments

0300 123 5010

#### **Cheshire East Council Tax**

APayments, business rates, changes of details

0300 123 5013







# Town Crier Returns



## To Macclesfield

We have a new Town Crier ringing in the changes to the civic and community life of Macclesfield

Not in living memory has Macclesfield had a town crier, but now the role has been given a new lease of life, bringing a touch of the theatrical and traditional to the life of Macclesfield.

Mr John Parsons has already taken to the role, having been seen.... and heard, at the Treacle Market, St George's Day and Cycle Saturday and will be attending community and civic events in the town on a regular basis

John said of his new appointment, "It is a great honour and privilege to be appointed as the Macclesfield Town Crier.



Macclesfield has a fine and amazing history and I will do my utmost to promote the town, in both the businesses and tourism, and all the town has to offer, and I look



forward to appearing in and around the town and of course promoting any of the local businesses and charities."

For more information on the Town Crier and events in Macclesfield, visit Macclesfield Council's website (www.macclesfield-tc.gov.uk) or call 01625 374142

### **Meetings & Events**

#### Council Meetings

Planning Committees as advertised 10th July Services Committee - Town Hall 7pm 17th July Finance Committee - Town Hall 7pm 25th September Council - Town Hall 7.15pm

#### **Events**

22nd July Macclesfield Festival 23rd July Mayor's Civic Service 31st July Commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of the commencement of the Battle of Passchendaele 19th August Brookfield Annual Allotment Show

12th August SilkFest Film Festival 2nd Sept British Nerf Championship - South Park









## Street Sports



Macclesfield Council has launched a new scheme of free activities for young people three times a week every week.



The Scheme aims to give young people something fun to do in the evening to reduce their boredom and also increase their activity. As well as helping with making young people active, Street Sports will also aim to reduce anti-social behaviour that results from having nothing else to do.

Open to 7 - 16 year olds, Street Sports takes place as follows:
Tuesdays 5-7pm
Becks Lane Fields,
Upton Priory.
Wednesdays 5-7pm
Bambury Close
Playing Fields,
Hurdsfield
Thursdays 5.307.30pm
South Park



# Are You NERF Or Nuffin?!



September 2nd will see the first British NERF Championships take place in South Park, Macclesfield.

With an inflatable assault and target course for competitors as well as lots of other activities for those coming along to enjoy the event, Macclesfield Council is working with Hasbro to deliver the first ever British NERF Championships.

There will also be a target range and free family fun activities. Silk FM are joining us to help make the day a blast.

Come along, have a go and see who will be crowned Britain's best Nerfer!

British NERF Championships - Saturday 2nd September, South Park 11am to 2pm





