

Report Statement

Report Purpose:

To update committee on progress and work associated with local service delivery.

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6.1 Events update

Park Fit

Park Fit continues in it's winter home of All Hallows. Numbers for March have been around 11 or 12.

Sessions will recommence in South Park on 20th April after the Easter holidays.

Easter in Macclesfield - Saturday 8th April

This event hasn't yet taken place on the writing of this report but we're looking forward to celebrating Easter and welcoming in the spring on Easter Saturday. 32 local businesses have signed up to take part in our town-centre trail and we'll have our usual popular attractions such as the Face Painting Queen and crafting from ArtSpace, as well as new acts displaying circus skills and giant bubbles.

We're also working with St. Michaels, Christ Church and the Silk Museum to provide a variety of entertainment and activities across Macclesfield on the day.

Upcoming 2023 Events

The King's Coronation Town Centre Tea Party – Monday 8th May

In addition to sponsoring local community parties across Macclesfield's wards we will also be hosting our own celebration in the Town Centre to recognise the coronation of the King, with live entertainment, games, activities and free tea and cake.

Macclesfield Armed Forces Day Celebration – Sunday 2nd July

We'll be marking Armed Forces Day in the Town Centre this July. Details still to be confirmed but a fun and informative day for all is planned.

Do Something Summer – July/August 2023

Every Wednesday over the school summer holiday's we'll be presenting the opportunity to do something new in Macclesfield town centre. We've got a range of

free workshops booked in from photography to kite-making to circus skills. This programme is primarily aimed at school aged children, to help families fill the long summer break, but it is of course, open to all.

- We also have quite a number of MTC supported events coming up including:
 - Bike-a-thon – 20th May
 - Party in the Pews – 27-28th May
 - Barnaby – 16th-18th June
 - Macc Pow – 2nd July
 - Pride – 15th July

6.2 Floral displays

The Britain in Bloom committee has met several times to organise this years visit. The Town Council have entered Macclesfield and the community as a whole, the pocket park at the Ian Curtis mural and Upper Market place as a retail area.

The displays for the summer bedding will be completed end May beginning June.

6.3 Public toilets

The grant for the toilets for public use has been paid to CEC and work will commence in the summer. Macclesfield Town Council has agreed to pay St. Michael's Church to open their toilets for the public. The costs are for cleaning and resources.

6.4 Festoons

An audit of the festoon lights was conducted with LITE to check the condition of them as well as approximate life span so we can prepare for a future replacement programme.

6.5 Tunnickliffe Trail

A meeting has been booked in early May with the Director of the Museums to discuss the future of this project.

6.6 Barnaby Parade

Barnaby have employed a parade co-ordinator, funded by MTC, who has filed the relevant paperwork with CEC for the parade to go ahead.

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