



Community & Business Partners

Business Support, Community Impact

IMPACT REPORT

July - August 2023

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Thank you to Lidl!

The total equivalent amount that has been donated, collected and distributed in July and August is a staggering **2,344 meals!**

Surplus bakery, produce, even flowers and plants are collected from Lidl stores and given out to the community every Monday to Thursday afternoon from 2pm.



In partnership with BwD Council, over the past two months, we have supported **417** local families with food boxes!

Large food boxes are available for any resident of Blackburn with Darwen to purchase for only £6, supporting our community through the energy and cost of living crisis, and at a time when it is needed more than ever.

Please contact us if you would like to support any members of your team that live in Blackburn or Darwen by contacting victoria@cbpartners.org

Our £6 food boxes are amazing value for money.

CBP are extremely proud to promote this as part of our own Corporate Social Responsibility work.

During July and August, we have distributed 180 £6 food boxes

Sharing is Caring...

We were delighted to support our member Sharon Plunkett of Rush Hey Consultancy Ltd when she made an appeal through social media asking for donations of toiletries to support The WISH Centre.

The WISH Centre support women who have suffered or who are at risk of suffering domestic abuse.

We arranged for Sharon to pop in and collect a large donation of body sprays that we had previously received from one of our supporters.

It always makes us happy when we can support our CBP Members by 'paying' it forward.



Over the summer we have been distributing brand new, unbranded school uniforms to low-income families in BwD via a 'pop up' shop at CBP HQ.

Throughout August over **900** items have been collected. We have helped hundreds of families clothe their children just in time for the beginning of the new school year.



Amazing Feedback for Crafty Box Club

Crafty Box Club returned for the summer holidays and was a huge success. We opened the scrapstore to **114** children over six days. The children received a scrap pack which we had made up from a huge donation of crafts from a member of the public. We then let the children fill up a bucket with scrap.

At the end of the session, we treated them to an art bag full of brand-new resources.

We received nothing but amazing feedback and thanks from the parents. It was great to see so many children in the scrapstore using their imagination and making all sorts of creations with resources they had.

Further to this fantastic event, our neighbours at Healthy Living, held a Community Fun Day. We were happy to share our craft boxes on the day to reach more children and young people.



We recently received a **13**-pallet donation of hotel-quality quilts, pillows, sheets, quilt covers, pillowcases, towels, bath mats and bath robes.

All of these items were destined for disposal however our supporters at TONROSE, a local linen supplier to laundries, hospitality, healthcare and the leisure sector have donated them to SAMS, for us to distribute to our community.

We're now looking for people who can volunteer some time to help us sort through this mammoth donation before our planned distribution day on 22 September, there is lots of folding to be done!



Our Managing Director, Jaydee Davis, supported Lancashire Business View in August reviewing nominations for its Sub36 feature due to be included in the next magazine.

Our county is full of young entrepreneurs and future leaders under 36, and Jaydee said it was a pleasure to volunteer our time to be part of this feature and recognise such talent.



LANCASHIRE BUSINESS VIEW

Are you searching for the perfect venue to host your next training session or meeting?

Our facilities here at CBP HQ are designed to meet all your needs and provide an environment for learning, collaboration, and productivity.

We have different spaces available and are priced at a very competitive rate!

Get in touch today for more information and availability!

Victoria@cbpartners.org or call 01254 291271

***Community & Business Partners Members receive a 10% discount! ***



Members, Lets Walk!

Our successful members' netwalking event was a combination of networking and physical activity!

Participants had the unique opportunity to meet and connect with fellow members in a relaxed and refreshing setting, all while taking steps towards improved health. We collectively covered 6 miles on The Tolkien Trail!

The culmination of the day was lunch at the Shireburn Arms, where our members could unwind, with the new connections they had established during their net-walk!

It was a day that demonstrated our commitment to encouraging meaningful relationships within our member community while promoting well-being and friendship among our valued members.

Watch out for future netwalking dates to be released soon...



We are thrilled to announce the launch of the CBP Community Fund, a dedicated initiative aimed at supporting local grassroots organisations within our community.

Through this program, grassroots, not-for-profit organisations can apply for grants of up to **£500** to support their impactful work in the borough. The heart of this effort lies in the collective strength of our community.

Not only does CBP award these grants, but a significant portion of the revenue generated from our dedicated members (YOU) also contributes to this vital fund.

It is a true testament to the power of community engagement and support.

We wholeheartedly believe that this initiative will foster positive change, and we are deeply grateful to our members for their invaluable role in making this possible.

Together, we are making a meaningful difference in our community.

Our first grant was awarded to Poppy Mai FC, a local grassroots football club that formed in 2016 to promote childhood cancer awareness and work tirelessly on their mission to keep this at the heart of everything they do.



WE GOT 50 MEMBERS

Our member programme hit a milestone this month, with Stuart Lee of Lets Make a Difference taking us up to **50** members!

We have grown from a small army of founding members to a strong network of **50** businesses from across the North West and beyond, all wanting the very best in business support,

We are thankful to every one of you who help us continually deliver our four main areas of impact - environment, business, skills and impact.



We are really excited to announce the launch of a pioneering Third Sector Peer Support Group, aimed at empowering Lancashire leaders in the not-for-profit industry to effectively navigate the growing challenges facing the sector.

As a Third Sector organisation we understand the challenges that is affecting the organisations regarding, budgets, costs, training needs etc.

In light of this we want to give back to charitable organisations who make such a difference to the local community. Your membership contributions has allowed us to do this, thank you for your continued support.



Volunteer hours this period



266

CBP Community Projects are the perfect environment for volunteers to learn transferrable skills like warehousing, merchandising, health and safety, and distribution, in a friendly, welcoming, inclusive environment.

Our volunteers have contributed **266** hours during this period in just two months!

We couldn't operate without them and their precious gift of time ensures our community is well supported and operations run smoothly at CBP.

If you would like come down, volunteer and see what really goes on at CBP, feel free to bring yourself and employees for a day of making an impact on the local community'



Our applications are in!

The Blackburn with Darwen Community Volunteer Awards 2023 have been launched and we have submitted two applications:

- Community & Business Partners CIC Community Involvement
- Community & Business Partners Volunteers (Health & Wellbeing Award)

All winners will be announced at a special evening of celebration On Thursday 2nd November 2023 at King Georges Hall. Keep your fingers crossed

Environment

Reel-y great donation from a member

Robert Charnock from 24/7 Protection visited us earlier this month.

Not only did he sign up as a new CBP Member, but he also came back the day after with a superb donation for SAMS!

Thank you, Robert, these reels are a perfect addition to our scrapstore resources.



Every **1kg** of waste food saved from landfill saves an equivalent of **700g** of CO₂.

We have saved **2.993.4kg** of food in July and August which is the equivalent of **2,095kg of CO₂!!**



We have also collected an amazing donation from **NLTG**.

Huge pieces of fabrics and leather are now stocked and ready for the community to reclaim and reuse from **SAMS**



How about this for an unusual resource?

We have received a donation from a well-known online retailer that included these fabulous safety barriers.

Perfect for a warehouse, dog agility company or festival-type setting.

These would have gone to landfill without SAMS supporting local business



Did you know that an estimated 50 million litres of the 320 million litres of paint sold in the UK each year go to waste?

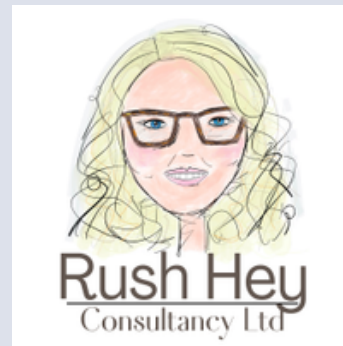
Our Community RePaint scheme is part of a UK-wide paint reuse network, sponsored by **Dulux**, that aims to collect leftover paint and redistribute it to benefit individuals, families, communities and charities at an affordable cost so everyone has the opportunity to brighten up their spaces and their lives.

Our paint has helped local groups and charities refresh shared spaces and has enabled people on low income to redecorate their homes at low cost.

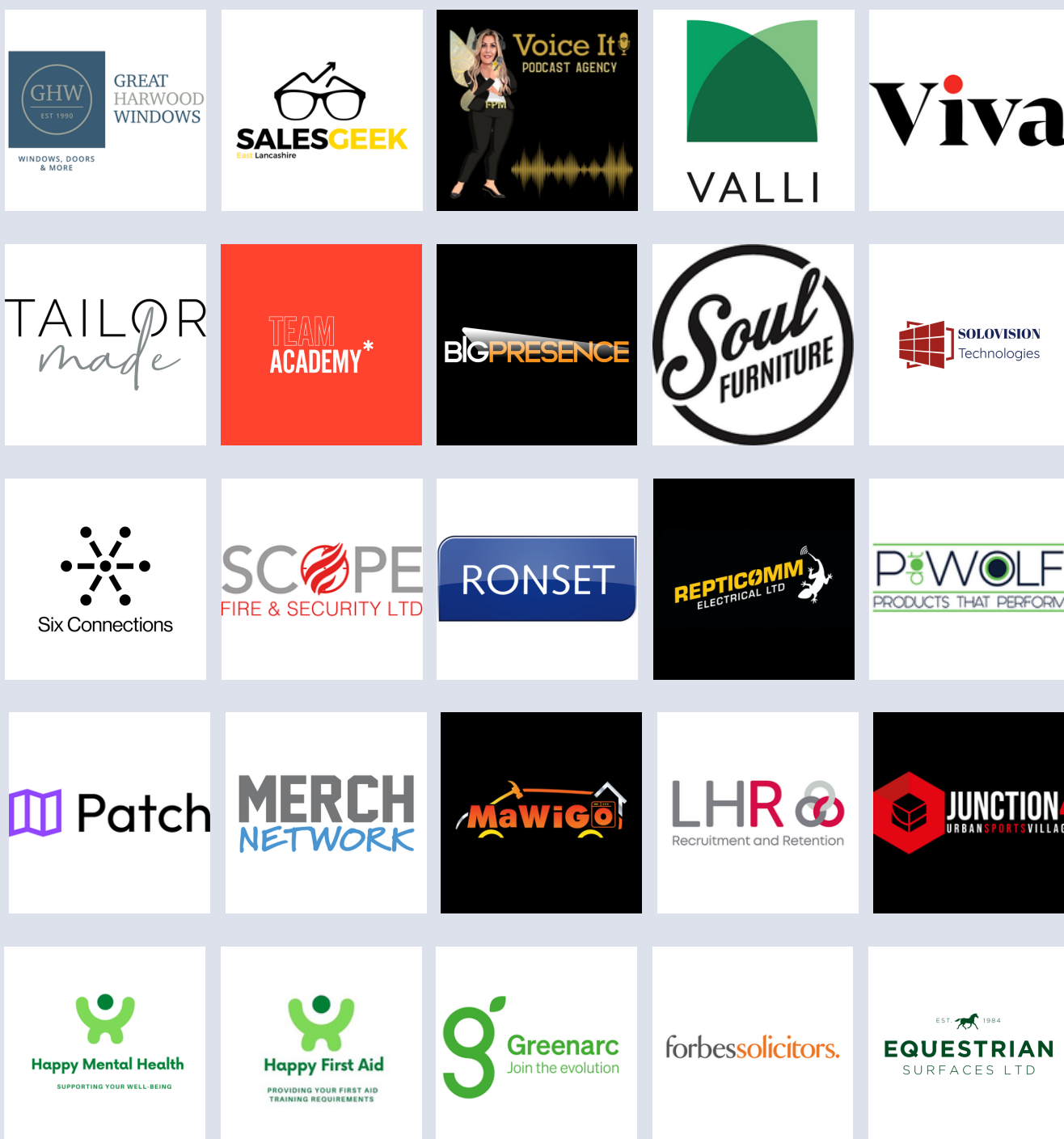
During July and August, we saved a staggering 674 litres of paint from going to landfill.

CBP MEMBERS

Please welcome our new members!



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Thank you for helping us make a difference and for being part of our membership team.

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With your CBP Membership, you get huge benefits and discounts on any mentoring and coaching support with our team of specialists, businessmen and women who have been there and done it.

Keep an eye on our website for all upcoming events <https://cbpartners.org/>

CBP membership will give you FREE entry or up to 50% off the ticket price for you and your team.