# Visit New Mills – AGM report 2020



#### 31 December 2020

## Summary

Visit New Mills continues to support all local Community groups and facilitate events and projects in New Mills.

2020 has been particularly challenging year due to changing Covid restrictions that impact our community meaning any 'face to face' events or collaborations have been severely limited.

During the year we have continued to fund many Community initiatives including festoon bulbs, Community Christmas tree, anti-litter signs, curtains (community cinema), event bins and microphone for PA – we have also continued to make donations to community groups

Our usual Community events had to be postponed – Carnival, Youth Festival, Lights Switch On (refunds have been made in full to all stall holders) – an alternative virtual #lightupchristmas event has proved successful.

We have supported many virtual Community events and business initiatives during 2020 (#shoplocal, late night shopping etc)

The visitnewmills.co.uk web site is now seen as the initial point of contact for visitors to our town and is included on the new maps and leaflets.

### Finance 2019-20

- Please refer to annual summary for full details
- Donations to community groups of £2119.16 have been made (based on 2020 calendar year)
- Grants received from DCC, HPBC and Co-op community fund.

## **Projects 2019-20**

- Gigs Small Glories concert at Torr Vale Mill, White Van concert at New Mills Town
   Hall both sold out
- Quizit donations given to New Mills Women's Group, Autism Plus, New Mills Jolly Joggers, New Mills PTA, Stockport Samaritans, Tiny Tickers, Derbyshire Wildlife Trust, Newtown PTA, New Mills Crickets Club (women's team), New Mills Festival, Transition New Mills, High Peak Homeless, Crossroads Derbyshire, Pride of the Peaks (Christmas dinners)
- Tree planting in Mousley Bottom/Brookbottom 1,000 local species trees planted.
- Bike bags now in place at Clockwork café and Sett Valley café.
- Litter Signs placed around New Mills
- New Mills map, interpretation boards and leaflets collaboration led by HPBC to create
  a revised New Mills map 500 have been distributed to New Mills cafes and
  businesses so far and 40+ posted out to those unable to collect maps due to
  vulnerabilities, isolation restrictions.
- Light up Christmas and town centre Christmas tree including subsidising business
   Christmas trees
- Community Cinema events at St George's
- Replaced curtains at St George's Parish Hall.
- Weekly Quizit's (moved to Virtual/online in March up to +100 attendee's worldwide)
- Our social media footprint continues to grow and evolve to highlight local businesses and community groups.
- Additional festoon lights on Albion Road.
- Additional Christmas tree brackets in town centre.

#### **Thanks**

- Financial support (donations) in purchasing Community assets and community events received from HPBC, DCC, Co-op Community fund and Crowd Funder for Christmas trees.
- To all our many volunteers who ensure our projects and initiatives we support are successful.

# Accounts - 1 October 2019 to 30 September 2020

