

Strategic Neighbourhood Forum

Place Priorities



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Tameside Business Resilience Clinic

- Launched as part of our COVID response, offering free, bespoke advice and guidance.
- Businesses are matched to support by a Project Manager from Economy Employment & Skills using the bank of Business Community Champions (BCC), GM Business Growth Hub provision and a catalogue of online support including webinars.
- BCCs are local business experts offering free support across specialisms including finance, social media and business start up. To date 63 businesses have registered and engaged with the Clinic.

In Work Progression – launching January 2022

- Tameside has been selected by DWP to run a trial project, offering support to Tameside residents who are in work but would like to increase their earnings.
- Experienced staff will offer 1-2-1 support at a time and manager to suit each resident participating.
- Support will be tailored to the aims of each person, examples might be: if you are not earning enough money and want more hours; or if you are in a job you don't enjoy and want to gain skills to move into something different.

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Tameside Youth Employment Support

- Created in response to increased challenges for young people following the pandemic, recognising the challenges many face when trying to find employment.
- Supports employers to create job opportunities matching the aspirations of a young person by offering reimbursement of first 6 months salary for apprenticeship or non apprenticeship roles.
- Create employment opportunities for our priority young people including Care Experienced.
- Partnership & Engagement Officer provides 1-2-1 support from application through to job sustainment, this includes:
 - Support with preparation for work, CV writing, understanding employer expectations and preparing for interviews.
 - Help transition young people in to the world of work.



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Routes to Work Supported Employment Service

- Team of specialist advisors offering advice, support and practical assistance for anyone with a disability who would like to find employment.
- Offer on the job training using specialist methods.
- Provide retention advice and support to local businesses.
- Create network of opportunities for our residents with disabilities.
- Currently support 77 Tameside residents, 46 in work and 31 looking for work
- Tameside 20-21 achieved 7.12% of people with Learning Disability in paid employment, Government target of 7% by 2023.



“I love working, I don’t want to use my Annual Leave”

Jack, Document Controller, BLM

Autistic and Learning Disabled

A Town Centre's Framework

- Lack of overarching town centre strategy
- Regeneration and evolution of centres
- Place based investment approach
- Opportunity to pull various strands together
- Identify cross cutting themes
- A new Tameside Town Centre Framework will set the overarching principles for the regeneration of our towns and collaborative working to achieve this

Why Invest in our Town Centres?

- Housing and employment investment opportunities
- Excellent strategic transport infrastructure
- World class digital infrastructure – Dark Fibre
- Rapidly growing digital, ICT and creative sectors – Ashton Old Baths, St Petersfield
- Historic towns with heritage assets
- Access to countryside improve Quality of Life
- Strong connections to the wider GM City Region

Stalybridge Town Centre

- Significant stakeholder engagement for Stalybridge Town Centre has been carried out in recent years through the Stalybridge Town Centre Challenge
- Stalybridge Town Centre Challenge Action Plan approved by the Council in February 2020

Challenges

- Stalybridge Town Centre is under performing relative to its potential. There is a broad and partly affluent catchment area, but suffers from poor footfall, land values, and economic activity. The Town Centre has struggled to attract investment, particularly in housing and commercial sectors.
- Several vacant sites available in the Town Centre but limited development has occurred.

Current Activity

- In September 2019 Stalybridge secured £1.275m through the HAZ Historic England programme with £1.275m match funding from the Council, runs to March 2024
- Programme designed around the outcomes highlighted by the public consultation
- £130k GMCA funding for Stalybridge to carry out due diligence and site investigations on key sites and for feasibility work across eight brownfield sites in the Town Centre for redevelopment. Identifies scope for c460 new homes

Levelling Up Fund

- The £14.5m LUF bid builds on stakeholder engagement for Stalybridge Town Centre. The top priorities identified in consultation to date include:
 - Reinvention of the Civic Hall to bring it back into everyday use;
 - Improve car parking facilities in the town;
 - Develop a river walkway;
 - Provide new cultural and arts activities; and
 - Build more affordable homes to support community in the Town Centre.
- If LUF bid to Government is unsuccessful it will form the starting point to seek other sources of external funding.

Stalybridge Town Centre Next Steps

- Continued delivery of the HSHAZ programme with works to the Civic Hall roof being progressed and designs prepared for the Heritage Walk.
- Feasibility work for future uses in vacant buildings on Market Street and the Civic Hall to be completed shortly.
- £80k secured for the Cultural Consortium to fund a programme of activity bringing major benefits to the town.
- Stalybridge Street Fest every second Friday of the month demonstrating demand, appetite and prospects of Stalybridge as a cultural hub.
- £100k secured from TfGM for Stalybridge Interchange Options Study with initial report due by March 2022.

Housing Delivery

- Sixteen Affordable Rent houses with full planning permission, Rydal Walk, Stalybridge, Jigsaw Homes.
- Twenty four Affordable Rent apartments at the Police Station site and 21 at Grosvenor Street, both in Stalybridge, both in the process of seeking amended planning permission to meet the needs of Adult Services clients provided by Great Places HG.
- Seventy units Affordable Rent Retirement Living apartments, Egmont Street Mossley, seeking revised permissions, provided by Johnnie Johnston Housing.

Strategic Property

- Arlies
 - Old mobile demolished.
 - Asbestos removal programme underway.
 - Full rewire planned, once asbestos removal completed.
- Gorse Hall
 - New gas boiler completed.
 - New solar and PV completed.
 - Decarbonisation – Air source heat pump awaiting planning permission.
- Stalyhill Infants
 - Complete re-roofing underway. Completion Nov/Dec (weather dependent).
- Stalyhill Junior
 - Replacement boiler and decarbonisation measures planned for next year.
- Broadbent Fold
 - Roof replacement to start in New Year.

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- Lyndhurst
Glass balustrade replacement.
- Ravensfield
Glass balustrade replacement.
- St John's Dukinfield
Final phase of school expansion – 2 classrooms due to complete Christmas.
- Livingstone Mossley
Re-roofed completely last year.
- Milton St Johns
Lath and plaster ceilings completed.
New secure entrance/remodelling planned 2022.
- Cromwell
Phase 2 of new sixth form completed summer 2021.

Strategic Property

- Chapel, Cemetery Road, Mossley
Declared surplus 29th September 2021.
- Former Mossley Hollins School, Mossley
Offers to be reported to Board November 2021.
- Cheetham Park Building
Marketing commenced – closing date 3rd December 2021.
- Egmont Street Football Changing Rooms, Mossley
Marketing commenced – closing date 3rd December 2021.
- Decarbonisation Project
Loxley House.
Gorse Hall Primary.
Birch Lane Children's Centre.
George Lawton Hall.