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This newsletter is produced to help keep Prescot Residents up to date with the activities of the council, and local events of public interest. If you represent a local community organisation, or philanthropic group, and you would like to be featured in our next edition please send us your communication and we will do our best to accommodate you. Please be advised, inclusion will be on a first come first served basis.

### Prescot Community Recognition Awards 2022

Prescot has a rich tradition as a Town with a strong community, sometimes the efforts of particular individuals and groups stand out as being above and beyond that of a usual citizen. These groups and individuals are not always aware of the positive impact they can have, on both individuals and the wider community, and can go largely unsung for their actions.

In order to recognise these individuals and the positive contribution they make to the lives of others, the Town Council introduced the Prescot Community Recognition Awards and we are now in our sixth year of holding the awards.

If there is somebody that you know, whom you believe has made a valuable difference, to you or the wider community in your area, please complete a nomination form and return it to the Town Council by the 30th April 2022. Nomination forms are available to download through the Town Council's website www.prescottc.gov.uk/grants-awards/ or directly from the Town Hall.





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# Great Success for the Town Council Senior Citizen Christmas Drop In



Prescot Town Council staff and elected members were pleased to welcome our Senior residents from the community for a festive celebration on 21st December 2021. We served free festive refreshments, listened to festive music and handed out selection packs and mince pies for all. We were joined by the Mayor of Prescot, Cllr

Christopher Krelle who was selling raffle tickets for his Charity Christmas Raffle along with gifts and crafts. The Friends of Eaton Street Park held a very successful tombola and we had Pauline from the HME Residents Association selling knitted Christmas gifts. A great time was enjoyed by all.



### **Green Flag Award for Browns Field**



Prescot Town Council were immensely proud as the Green Flag Awards were announced and Brown's Field aka King George V Memorial Playing Fields, Wood Lane, Prescot was one of the sites to achieve the prestigious award.

The award comes after lots of hard work between the Town Council, Knowsley Council, the Friends of KGV Brown's Field and Carr Lane Woods and Berkley IFC. The judges were particularly impressed with the wide range of use on the site and the plans for the future which include a new playground, pitch

improvements and a new building to facilitate the needs of all park users. This award means that 3 of the 4 Prescot green spaces now hold green flags with Carr Lane Woods being the final piece of the jigsaw.

A huge pat on the back goes out to all those involved, together we have completely changed the destiny of this site retaining its importance for future generations of Prescotians to enjoy.

### Honorary Freeman & Freewoman of Prescot

At our November 2021 Town Council meeting the Mayor of Prescot, Cllr Christopher Krelle was very pleased to present two special awards.



Mrs Carole Arnold, retired Headteacher of Evelyn Community Primary School (right) received Honorary Freewoman of Prescot in recognition of long and esteemed service to the Town of Prescot. Mr Daniel Wilson, retired Town Clerk of Prescot Town Council (left) received Honorary Freeman of Prescot in recognition of pro-active, aspirational and esteemed service to the Town of Prescot.

More information on this award and how to nominate can be found on the Town Council's website under the Policies tab.



# Prescot Community Recognition Awards 2021



Prescot Citizen of the Year 2021 was awarded to Jean Fletcher (left). Jean is a founding member of the Friends of Eaton Street Park and has been integral in the group's development over the past eleven years. The volunteer hours given at almost every event ever delivered by Jean are incalculable, but they have been given selflessly she also volunteers at the Prescot Willowbrook Hospice Charity shop. Jean has certainly made an outstanding contribution to the Prescot Community.

Prescot Community Group of the Year 2021 was awarded to Prescot Mission Christmas Dinner Group (right). The group was set up in January 2018 as a direct response to members of the Prescot Community being alone in the community on Christmas Day. The group fundraised and provided transport for 30 people to attend Prescot Town Hall on Christmas Day to enjoy Christmas Dinner prepared by a chef, entertainment by a local singer and the company of the volunteers for the day. They were each



given a food hamper to take home. A further 30 people who were unable to leave their homes were provided with a delivery of Christmas Dinner and a hamper. Since then they have adapted their plans to accommodate COVID and provided Christmas Dinner and extras "in a bag" for over 200 families in 2021. In effect this group has made Christmas happen for many of Prescot's residents and all the volunteers within the group should be recognised for their work.

# **Recycling Initiatives**



#### **Recycled Winter Coat Pop Up Shops**

Following donations of winter coats received once again by our generous local community we were able to hold pop up shops throughout November 2021 at Prescot Town Hall and Bryer Road Community Centre. Councillors Pat Cook and Tom Large are pictured outside the Town Hall during the pop up shops and over 200 coats were provided to the community free of charge and saved from landfill during the initiative.



#### **School Uniform Recycling**

This was the Town Councils third year of providing a School Uniform recycling initiative and it proved to be highly successful once again. The supply of uniform donations was overwhelming and it was truly indicative of the strong community spirit within Prescot. Over 238 volunteer hours

were recorded with over 3,000 items of uniform being recycled and rehomed to approximately 407 local families. The allocation of uniforms was done in conjunction with the Friends of Eaton Street Park SNAP sessions

during the summer holidays and we would like to thank all the volunteers from the Friends of Eaton Street Park who were instrumental to the success of the initiative.





The Town Council's Laptop Recycling Project provided Prescot School Children with 26 recycled laptops in 2021. These laptops were kindly donated by members of the community and refurbished by local business The Lappy Shop before being allocated to a Prescot School to assist pupils with home learning. Following contact from the BBC about our project Our Lady's Catholic Primary school appeared on BBC North West Tonight showing their appreciation to the Town Council.