



PCrefurb Newsletter

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PCrefurb QAVS Celebration

On the 2nd June we were able to share the wonderful news that our fantastic volunteers have been awarded the Queen's Award for Voluntary Service. This was obviously significant in the Platinum Jubilee year but become all the more poignant since her Majesty's death on 8th September.

On the 23rd June, in the company of High Peak Mayor Cllr Ollie Cross and Mayoress Gill Cross, we gathered for a celebration at Glossop Labour Club. Equivalent to an MBE, QAVS are the highest awards given to local voluntary groups in the UK and we enjoyed celebrating in the company of volunteers, staff and Trustees past and present. Pictured here, receiving his certificate and enamel commemorative badge from Emily Brook, is Owen Dack. It was from Owen's original idea for a IT refurbishing group that PCrefurb grew.

PCrefurb welcomes new Chairperson



One of PCrefurb's founding Trustees, Ed Kelly, stepped down as Chairman in February this year. Steering the original group through its early years from a charitable not-for-profit community group in 2018 to its current status as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation with a staff team of six and a highly engaged Board of Trustees, Ed has been invaluable and will be missed.

Emily Brook joined the Board as a Trustee in December 2021 and we are happy to announce that on 26th July she was formally appointed as our new Chairperson.

Emily told us: "I wanted to become a trustee at PCrefurb because I live in Glossop, and the work that they do to make technology more accessible and less scary for people makes a difference every day. My professional background is in strategic planning within local government, higher education and defence, so I hope to support the charity in planning for a long and sustainable future."

June - Sept. Stats:

Equipment referrals: 51
Equipment distributed: 121
Digital Skills support sessions: 102 by 19 volunteers and 2 staff





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Funding News



Earlier this year we received the news that we had made a successful application to the Postcode Places Trust, this is the funding body supported by players of the People's Postcode Lottery. The grant of just over £24,000 is vital to support the costs of our 'core' operations here at PCrefurb.

We are looking for new Trustees for our Board.

If you are interested in supporting this vibrant and growing charity please get in touch.

We are looking for someone with knowledge of **HR** and someone to become the Board **Secretary**.



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PCrefurb organised a 'Digital Nature Walk' to participate in the Glossop Manor Park Fun Day 30th August 2022, in collaboration with The Bureau's Move More Glossop. Volunteers and clients enjoyed using apps to identify lots of beautiful plants and trees in the Sensory and Flower Gardens. A great way to embrace digital technology outside!



Our Supporters



In this edition of our newsletter we are giving a massive shout out to another of our wonderful supporters, **Inology IT Support Services**. Inology picked PCrefurb as their chosen charity over a year ago and we are so grateful for all the support that they have given.

We have received lots of good quality used PCs, laptops and tablets from Inology which have enabled many of our clients to access the digital world.

<https://www.inology.co.uk/>



Pictured here are our Technical Lead Jamie Abbott and Volunteer Refurbisher Shaun Hammond with a donation of 10 SSD's and five memory sticks from Inology.