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Funding success!



We are excited to announce that in November 2023 we received confirmation from the National Lottery Community Fund that our application for a grant was successful. This means that our central operations will be funded from April 2024 for three years. These operations include our management and administration, IT refurbishment and digital support groups in the High Peak. Securing this substantial grant ensures the continuity of our activities and enables us to focus on establishing new projects as the need arises.

Pictured here are volunteers, staff, trustees and supporters who gathered in Glossop Labour Club to celebrate the news and share information and ideas about the future of PCrefurb.

Partnership working

PCrefurb's partnership with [Rural Action Derbyshire](#) to pilot a scheme refurbishing donated devices and getting them out to qualifying people and members of the Digital Support Derbyshire Network meant that we were able to extend our reach beyond the High Peak during the first three months of this year.

We welcomed referrals for equipment for individuals and community groups. Pictured here is Danny Henman CEO of [The Rother Active Youth Club - The RAY Club](#) in Chesterfield. The Ray Club is a community organisation that aims to provide a safe and healthy environment for the younger community to develop and communicate.



We provided PCs, All-in-Ones, laptops and tablets. Danny told us, 'This equipment provided by PCrefurb has made a massive improvement to our day-to-day running of the Charity. It has given us the opportunity to enable our users to get connected online. So many people who come to our hub don't have access to this equipment at home and have become socially isolated as technology has evolved and increased in price! This donation will enable people in this position to use our hub to access this equipment and reduce digital social isolation. THANK YOU so so much. We are extremely grateful.'



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'Round Table' Donation



At the Glossop and District Round Table Annual Charity Presentation in January we were very happy to receive a donation of £250. This money is generated through ticket sales for the Bonfire and Fireworks Display that takes place every year in Manor Park Glossop.

Pictured here are one of our Trustees Cllr Ollie Cross (left) with our Project Lead Sam Hardy (centre) and High Peak Borough Cllr Edward Siddall (right).

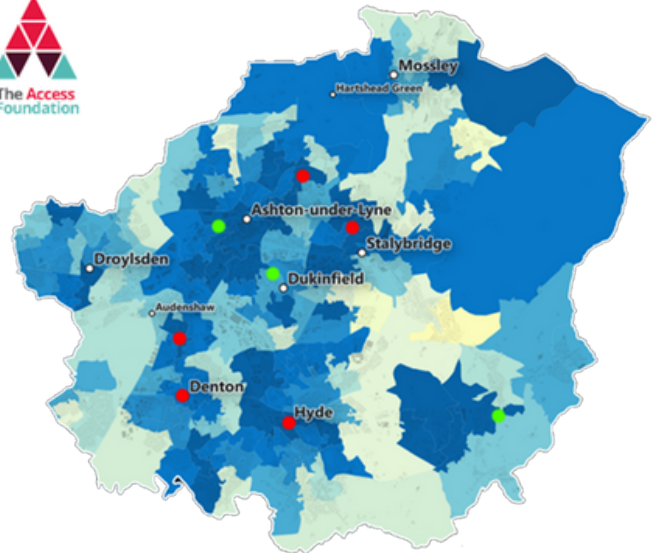
Cyber Safety Talk

In January PCrefurb partnered with The Bureau, Glossop to provide a presentation on online safety at the Methodist Church in Hadfield. The talk was delivered by Sarah Dufton, Cyber/Digital PCSO from Derbyshire Constabulary. Regulars at The Bureau's Tuesday coffee morning were joined by members of Hadfield Coming Together.

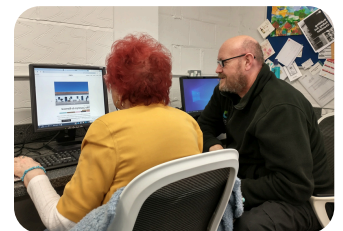


The ABC rule:
A - Accept nothing
B - Believe no one
C - Challenge everything

Access Digital Tameside update



Access Digital Tameside is funded by The Access Foundation for one year until 30th November 2024. The criteria for clients include Tameside residents who are struggling with the cost of living. Given the demographics of Tameside, that is the vast majority of the population. In January 2024, Access Digital Tameside took over three PCrefurb Digital Training Groups in Dukinfield, Ashton, and Hattersley. A few months later, we are now also running weekly groups in Denton, Hyde, Audenshaw, Stalybridge, and Hurst Cross.



Digital Champions

With funding from the Good Things Foundation we have created a bespoke training package, and six Digital Champions have been trained and deployed to support our Digital Training Groups.

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Jan. - Mar. Stats:

Equipment referrals: 78
Equipment distributed: 157
Hours of skills training: 456



37 tonnes of CO2e saved. That's the same as driving 18 petrol cars, or growing 1,863 trees for one year!



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