

COMMUNITY NEWS



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Marking the change from 'Manchester Barton' to 'Manchester Ringway'!



To mark the end of our year-long 80th birthday celebrations, we took representatives from our neighbouring councils on a vintage Manchester Corporation double decker bus from the Manchester Airport Runway Visitor Park to Barton Aerodrome. The journey marked the historic link between the two airports.

Once at Barton, we enjoyed a tour of the Aerodrome and afternoon tea alongside Councillor Charlie McIntyre, the Ceremonial Mayor of the City of Salford. We organised the event alongside Manchester Transport Museum, Barton Aerodrome and Friends of Barton Aerodrome.





In April we were joined by Mike Kane, MP for Wythenshawe, Councillor Abid Latif Chohan, Deputy Lord Mayor and Audrey O'Donovan, Chair of Ringway Parish Council to celebrate the installation of new chainsaw carvings in Ringway Parish. The carvings, created by local artist Andy Burgess and made from trees removed for construction of the £1bn Manchester Airport Transformation Programme, reflect wildlife that can be found locally such as bats, owls and badgers. Pupils from Elmridge Primary School sung beautifully at the celebration, with their rendition of 'Hold back the River' feeling particularly apt in the windy and rainy conditions. Anyone wanting to view that carvings can find them on the airport side of the A538 World Logistics Hub Junction.



Wood Carvings
celebrate links with the natural environment



We met with 52 Councillors during March and April, representing Cheshire East, Trafford, Stockport, Manchester City and Parish and Town councils. Some of these meetings included tours of Pier One, the first phase to open of our £1bn Transformation Programme, along with presentations on the future of aviation, new destinations from Manchester, and the work we do with our local communities. We were delighted that the councillors rated these sessions excellent and we received this great feedback:

"A well organised visit and a golden opportunity to realise the size of the development currently being undertaken whilst the Airport is still fully operational"

Meeting Local Councillors



We hosted our annual job shadow event recently with students from The County High School Leftwich, Knutsford Academy, Manchester Health Academy and Manchester Enterprise Academy. Over 30 colleagues hosted students on the day in departments across the site including MAG, MAG-O, Greater Manchester Police, NATS, Hilton, Marriott, BCEGI and Enterprise Rent-a-Car.



The students enjoyed a whistle stop tour of the airport, getting a flavour of the variety of jobs available here as they visited a whole host of areas such as the Air Traffic Control Tower, the on-site fire service, the airfield operations team and more.

Job Shadow
A mini Work Experience



We had a great time hosting more than 130 Heald Green and Knutsford residents at events in April and May, where we enjoyed refreshments, games, quizzes and competitions. In Heald Green we enjoyed entertainment from the Airport Choir and in Knutsford we were also joined by the Mayor and Mayoress. It was wonderful to receive positive feedback from these events, with one of the Parish Councillor saying:

"Thank you all very much for giving so many of us a delightful afternoon tea... Strawberries and cream, drinks, raffle, bingo, quiz were all such fun, a good reflection of the care MAG gives to the local communities"



Social events in Heald Green & Knutsford

