

MANCHESTER AIRPORT

COMMUNITY flyer

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FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE



WELCOME

Welcome to the summer edition of our Community Flyer newsletter. Here at Manchester Airport, our busiest season is well under way and the Airport is a hive of activity.

This summer is an extra special one for Manchester Airport as we celebrated our 85th Birthday on 25th June.

From humble beginnings as Ringway Airport in 1938, to serving almost 28 million passengers today, we are proud to be the UK's global gateway in the North – bringing huge economic value to the region and thousands of job opportunities to local

people. I'm proud to lead a company that gives back to the community – you can read more about a recent milestone for our Community Trust Fund, as well as other community initiatives, on the 'Local Voices' page. We are looking forward to celebrating our birthday with local residents later in the year, when our annual 'Autumn Leaves' event becomes an 85th birthday party!



Chris

CHRIS WOODROOFFE
Managing Director

MARK'S ROYAL INVITATION

The Community Engagement team was asked to nominate a MAG colleague for a royal honour. This had to be someone who had made an outstanding contribution to the community both in and outside of work.

The team decided to nominate Mark Bowcock, a long-standing member of the team at Manchester, with many years' service as a firefighter and now the Unite convenor. Mark was selected to attend the Royal Garden Party at Buckingham Palace just a few days before the King's Coronation in May.

Mark said: "The charity work I do is for Maggie's; Wythenshawe Safespots; Wythenshawe Good Neighbours; Wythenshawe Waste Warriors; Wythenshawe foodbank; the Bread

and Butter Thing, and I'm a school governor at Benchill Primary school.

I was so proud of myself to receive the Royal Invitation. I love helping people in our communities and making a difference to their lives. The whole event was amazing, walking into the Buckingham Palace gardens was surreal".

We're so proud of Mark for all the amazing work he does in our local community, for being a brilliant ambassador for the Airport and for the support he offers our colleagues as a union convenor.



Being yards away from the King and the Royal family was unreal and seeing the set up for the King's coronation with the military topped it off.

Mark Bowcock



We are committed to addressing the issues which matter most to people living near us



COMMUNITY TRUST FUND SCHOOL'S ECO GARDENS

We were excited to receive a recent update from Cheadle Catholic Infant and Junior Schools about their Eco-Garden project.

The garden designed by children from the school was the winning design in our Manchester Airport Community Trust Fund Eco-Gardens competition, held in December 2022 as part of the 25th Birthday Celebrations of the Trust Fund.

Everything is well on its way, and we can't wait to see the finished garden next year.



TACKLING INCONSIDERATE PARKING

We know that Airport Operations can have an impact on our neighbouring communities, so we continue to meet regularly and work closely with our partners in local councils and the police to address issues such as inconsiderate parking and rogue 'Meet and Greet' companies.

In response to issues raised by residents, the Community Engagement team have been out refreshing the signage in local communities to discourage inconsiderate parking.



OUR COMMUNITY TRUST FUND HITS £4M MILESTONE



In April, our Community Trust Fund surpassed £4 million of donations to community projects and local charities!

Nineteen organisations in Greater Manchester and Cheshire benefited from the latest round of grants. Among those awarded a share of over £24,000 at the latest meeting were Top & Tail Productions, an independent film producer offering free training in filmmaking and acting

to Wythenshawe residents. This year it is producing Silver Screen Dreams – a brand new comedy-drama feature film about hope and community – to which the Community Trust Fund will be contributing £1,500. Representatives from the Community Trust Fund, and Mike Kane MP, visited the production team back in June.



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Business Working With
Wythenshawe

NUMBERS @ WORK

Recognising that employers look to recruit people with numeracy skills, we work as part of BW3 and Knutsford Business Support Group to deliver a programme called 'Numbers @ work'; providing fun, maths-based sessions for primary school children aged 10 and 11.

Volunteers from the Airport's Finance, Education and Public Affairs teams had a great time participating in this event at

Peel Hall Primary School and Manor Park Primary School this term. Sessions like this take place throughout the academic year and more information can be found here www.bw3.org.uk

"We support the 'Our Manchester' vision of a highly skilled city. A 'knowledge' city where all local children are given the opportunity to go to excellent schools that will prepare them for the very competitive future job market".



MEET THE AUTHORS

In the Spring issue, we introduced 'The Little Book of Travel Tales' to you.

Fourteen stories and poems from nine different schools were published in the complimentary book, which we launched in all 3 terminals in June (available while stocks last). We invited the young authors to come and celebrate their work, at a special event in May. They spent the morning handing out the books to our young passengers jetting off on their half term holiday and had a fantastic time bringing smiles to the happy recipients.



AVIATION APPRENTICESHIPS

Manchester Airport has called on students from across the region to apply for a first-of-its-kind apprenticeship scheme.

The programme creates a new route for future airport leaders to embark on a career in aviation. The two-year scheme will give students experience of all the elements of an airport operation. Upon successful completion, apprentices will then be offered permanent roles at the airport, with opportunities to progress into team-leader positions and beyond as they develop through their careers.

Delivered in partnership with Trafford College, the apprenticeship will be the equivalent of a foundation degree or the first year of an undergraduate degree, with at least 30 students completing the programme, debt-free.

Launching the scheme is one part of

Manchester Airports Group's (MAG) Developing Talent strategy, to create managers and leader for the future of the organisation. Building apprenticeship programmes like this one is also a key feature of our CSR Strategy, which has 'Opportunity for All' as a central pillar, with us firmly committing to ensuring it gives the widest possible access to jobs and training at its airports.

Aviation minister Baroness Vere of Norbiton said: "The aviation sector is brimming with exciting opportunities for those seeking a career that helps grow the economy, has unmatched variety day to day and provides a range of skills and training. Manchester Airport's scheme opens this industry up even more for those who may not have otherwise considered the sector as a viable option and want to take that first step".

KIDS AT WORK DAY

Sixty children embarked on a day at the Airport in the Easter holidays to see where their parents and guardians work.

The young people enjoyed an access all areas tour of the airfield, the air traffic control tower, Starbucks, the fire station and even an escorted trip down the Runway!

Not only did this give the children exposure to the wide range of jobs and careers at the airport, but it also allowed us to share why we love working in the aviation industry.



For more information visit www.manchesterairport.co.uk/community

To contact us email community@manairport.co.uk

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We are committed to cutting our reliance on fossil fuels, reduce waste and emissions

SUSTAINABLE TRAVEL

We have recently been considering how we encourage our colleagues to make use of more sustainable travel to work.

We are now offering new employees 4 weeks free travel on Stagecoach buses or Metrolink services from their start date, as well as secure parking for bicycles and motorcycles at several locations around the airport. Staff working at the airport can obtain a 25% discount on rail travel and we encourage car sharing between colleagues – an app allows staff to meet prospective sharers and organise car share to work. All of the above items are subsidised by MAG.

Additionally, MAG employees benefit from a 'cycle to work' scheme and a season ticket loan scheme.



MANCHESTER AIRPORT: LEADING THE WAY IN CLIMATE ACTION!

We are thrilled to announce that the Manchester Airports Group, including our operations at Manchester has once again been recognised as a European Climate Leader in the prestigious Financial Times 2023 European Climate Leaders list.

What makes this achievement even more remarkable is that we are the only airport group in the United Kingdom to have received this recognition for three consecutive years!

At Manchester, we have long been committed to sustainability and environmental stewardship. This recognition from the Financial Times underscores our unwavering dedication to reducing our carbon footprint and leading the way in the aviation industry's transition towards a greener future.

Our sustainable initiatives have been instrumental in achieving this recognition. We have implemented a wide range of measures to mitigate the environmental impact of our operations. From energy-efficient infrastructure to eco-friendly waste management systems.

But our commitment to sustainability goes beyond the boundaries of our airport. We actively engage with local communities, working together to implement environmental projects and promote environmental stewardship. We have launched educational initiatives and collaborated with local schools through our Eco-Garden project. Through these efforts, we aim to inspire the next generation to take action and make a positive impact on the world around them.



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