

COMMUNITY



Kidsgrove Town Council

Bringing the Community Together – Kidsgrove Events Committee

Kidsgrove Town Council has been at the heart of the Kidsgrove community since its conception back in 1894. Formed with the amalgamation of the Civic Parishes of Hardings Wood, Kidsgrove, Newchapel and Talke, Kidsgrove Urban District Council became Kidsgrove Town Council in 1974 and 128 years on is still the beating heart of Kidsgrove.

Whilst the Council continues to deal with its core business of Allotments, Environmental concerns and Planning responses, the key focus for its elected Councillors has always been its residents, and this was brought into no greater focus than during the recent 'Covid' years.

What we did

Whilst the Town Council offered the use of the Town Hall free of charge to various volunteer groups and health authorities, covering Covid-19 Testing and Support Schemes, a small group of Councillors were acutely aware that as we left Lockdown, our residents would be eager to meet with friends and socialise again. The need for key events would be central to enabling that to happen.

What happened

Under the stewardship of Cllr Sylvia Dymond, the Events Committee was empowered to establish a leadership role in all noteworthy events in the area, providing administrative capacity and ensuring that the town had a wide array of events in various locations across the Parish as a whole.

Cllr Dymond brought together key partners such as the Rotary Club, Royal British Legion, and the local community interest company “Go Kidsgrove” (An organisation with the sole purpose of joining local businesses and local communities together) and the local Co-op Stores. This ensured annual events such as the Christmas Panto, Remembrance Parade and Fireworks and Bonfire Display were reestablished and were bigger and better than ever before.

The Events Committee also offered administrative support to groups with long-standing events to improve logistical issues. It helped the community take greater pride in the Parish and support numerous charities, many of which had seen funding slashed over the last two to three years as funding was diverted to essential services.



Kidsgrove Town Mayor Cllr Angela Cooper and Kidsgrove Rotary President Maria Watts
at Kidsgrove Firework Display

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