



Rotherham Together Partnership

Welcome to the winter edition of the e-bulletin for [Rotherham Together Partnership](#) (RTP). The partnership was established in September 2015 and brings together a range of [organisations](#) interested in working collectively to improve the lives of local people.

We will use the bulletin to give you a snapshot of the things we are involved in, as well as keeping you up to date on partner news and relevant national stories.

UCR roof “topped off” as build reaches one step closer to completion



A topping-out ceremony was held to celebrate a huge milestone in the construction of the brand new University Centre Rotherham, located on Doncaster Gate in Rotherham town centre.

Willmott Dixon are just months away from completing the build of the £10.5million brand new campus, which will expand massively the range of degrees and higher level training available in Rotherham. The centre is due to open in autumn 2018 and will help to deliver the [Rotherham Plan 2025](#) Skills and Employment objectives. Click [here](#) to continue reading.



Official opening of Maltby Joint Police and Fire Station

South Yorkshire's first joint fire and police station has been officially opened.

The facility in Maltby, Rotherham went operational in October, but was formally opened in front of dignitaries, staff and school children by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for South Yorkshire Andrew Coombe.

Guests of honour included primary school pupils from Maltby Manor Academy, who had taken part in a drawing competition to reflect the work of the emergency services. The new facility will help to deliver the [Rotherham Plan 2025](#) Building Stronger Communities objectives.

Rotherham leading the way as Yorkshire's fastest growing economy



A new report reveals Rotherham is the fastest growing-city economy in Yorkshire, and the eighth fastest growing economy in the UK.

The UK Powerhouse study by Irwin Mitchell and the Centre for Economics and Business Research (Cebr) provides an estimate of growth and job creation within 45 of the UK's largest cities.

The location and success of the Advanced Manufacturing and Innovation District – which sits on the Rotherham/Sheffield border – and the University of Sheffield's Advanced Manufacturing and Research Centre was significant in attracting investment from the likes of Boeing and McLaren, making a significant difference to the assessment of Rotherham's performance against its peers. Click [here](#) to read more.



Social prescribing project highlighted in Government policy paper

Pioneering health work carried out in Rotherham has been highlighted in the Government's 25 year environment plan, which was recently launched by Prime Minister Theresa May.

Rotherham's social prescribing service, which started in 2015 features in 'A Green Future: Our 25 Year Plan to Improve the Environment', published on 11 January, which sets out what the Government will do to improve the environment within a generation.

Commissioned by NHS Rotherham Clinical Commissioning Group, the service is run in partnership with Voluntary Action Rotherham and Rotherham Doncaster and South Humber NHS Foundation Trust (RDaSH).

This service forms part of our Integrated Health and Social Care game changer. Click [here](#) to read more.

Partnership Perspective

This is the fourth in a series of blogs where partners talk about their roles and how they came to be involved in the Rotherham Together Partnership.

Follow the link to read about Lawson Pater, Chair of RDaSH, how he came to post and the challenges faced in Health and Social care as we mark the 70th year of the NHS:

[Lawson Pater, Chair of RDaSH...](#)





Rotherham stands together to mark Holocaust Memorial Day

Over 350 people attended a moving ceremony in All Saint's Square on Thursday 25 January to mark this

year's Holocaust Memorial Day.

The event, hosted by the Mayor of Rotherham Cllr Eve Rose Keenan, featured a number of songs and readings linked to this year's national theme of "The Power of Words".

Faith leaders, local community members and dignitaries came together in a show of unity and solidarity – urging all the community to think about the language they use, and the impact their words have on others around them. Continue reading about the event [here](#).

VAR Chief Exec receives MBE from Queen

Rotherham Charity Chief Executive, Janet Wheatley, received her MBE from The Queen last week at Buckingham Palace in recognition for her services to Voluntary Action Rotherham and the community in South Yorkshire.

Janet, pictured here with Mo Farah, has been the Chief Executive of Voluntary Action Rotherham for over 14 years and her commitment has seen the local charity win several awards as well as becoming accredited under a variety of industry and sector standards. Click [here](#) to continue reading.





Community Achievement Award winners announced

The Community Achievement awards, which recognise and celebrate the wide-reaching impact of Rotherham's Voluntary and Community Sector, were presented at a ceremony on Friday 17th November at The Carlton Park Hotel.

The awards, organised by Voluntary Action Rotherham on behalf of the Rotherham Together Partnership, showcase the outstanding contribution that the voluntary and community sector make in Rotherham.

In all, there were over 40 nominations for the awards from a variety of community groups, organisations and individuals from across the borough. From these nominations, three finalists were selected in each of the three categories.

Click [here](#) to see the list of winners.

Pioneers Pushing Boundaries Event

Over 65 leaders from Rotherham's business community had a warm good morning welcome at the Wharncliffe Restaurant on Tuesday 19th December, with news of two pioneering projects that really are embodying the essence of the Rotherham Story - ambitious and definitely pushing boundaries.



Ian Barnes from Wates Residential presented the details of a Cluster Site Model for Housing across the borough, and Philip Sales, Deputy Principle for The RNN Group proudly presented The University Campus Rotherham. Click [here](#) for more details and the presentations at the event.

Please save the date... Annual Partnership Showcase Event

April 2018 brings about our annual Rotherham Together Partnership showcase event. The event will take place in the afternoon of Friday 20th April, please save the date in your diaries - look out for your invitation shortly...

And finally...

We hope you've found this bulletin interesting and would appreciate any feedback by email to:

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