

Dragons' Den May 2018

Each year we hold a number of fund raising events enabling us to make donations in support of local Community Groups from the Salford Post Code areas.

Following the Rotary Club of Wigan example we held our first Dragons' Den event in October 2013 as a means of distributing the funds available. Since then Dragons' Den has become an annual event held typically in May. Since this first event we have distributed a total of £25,549 to 64 different local organisations.

Local groups based in the Salford Post Code areas are invited to apply to appear in front of the "Dragons" to bid for funds to support a particular project.

The date of this year's event was Tuesday, 22nd May 2018. The venue as in previous years was the Walkden Legion Club, Wilfred Road, Walkden, M28 3AJ.

Our three "Dragons" are The Bishop of Bolton, Right Reverend Mark Ashcroft; Ann Gavin-Daley former NHS Director of Nursing Lol Duffy former Salford Primary School Head Teacher

This year 15 Applications were received. Prior to the event Worsley Rotary awarded £200 each to 3 applicants...Wendover Court Residents Association; Cafe 55 Boothstown; and Dogs4Rescue. A further 3 withdrew their application before the event . The remaining 9 local community groups presented their bid for funds to the Dragons and between them shared £5,600.

It will be our intention to hold a further Dragons' Den event in May 2019. Invitations for community groups in the Salford post code areas to apply will be advertised on the Worsley Rotary Club web site and our social media platforms (Facebook: #Worsley Rotary Club Twitter: @RotaryWorsley) from the start of February 2019.

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