Stanley Time Bank Times

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Hello and welcome – we hope that you and your family are keeping safe and well.

There's lots of news to share with you in this latest edition. We hope you enjoy reading it.

Coronavirus - we're still Here to Help

Demand has grown every month since we started the shopping and prescription delivery service back in March. By the end of May Here to Help volunteers had clocked up **200** hours of deliveries (includes the leaflet drop to every household in our area). Thanks to our wonderful volunteers many older and vulnerable people in and around Stanley are receiving their shopping from Stanley Store and prescriptions from Davidson's the Chemist.

The time bank gave each volunteer a bottle of hand sanitiser gel to help them stay safe on deliveries. Refills are available from Val.

We are continuing the Here to Help service as the country eases out of lockdown. If Here to Help could assist you or someone you know please contact a Time Broker. Email: broker@stanleydevelopmenttrust.org

8,000 Time Bank hours

In the midst of the pandemic Stanley Time Bank reached a significant milestone in its story. Since the launch in 2013 time bank members have provided each other and the local community with 8,000 hours of support. Time bank activities include lifts to hospital, befriending, gardening, sewing, helping with social events such as Stanley Lunch Club and of course Here to Help. The time bank contributes greatly to community resilience, particularly at this time of lockdown.

New Time Broker – hello Norma

Welcome Norma, our newest member of the Time Broker team. Norma is involved with Here to Help already and she will be taking on responsibility for arranging the shopping deliveries from the 19th June. We're delighted to have you join the team and we all look forward to working with you Norma.

- ***Farewell to Fiona***
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Farewell to Fiona

Time Broker Fiona is moving away from Stanley when lockdown restrictions allow. We are all going to miss Fiona very much indeed. Her friendly, happy personality, enthusiasm for time banking and her natural ability to connect with and bring the community together has contributed greatly to the success of Stanley Time Bank over the past 7 years. Thank you, Fiona, for everything that you do. Our very best wishes to you for the future. Keep in touch!

A Wee Blether – Stanley's friendly voice service

Everyone enjoys a wee blether now and again. It can brighten our day. The coronavirus lockdown needn't stop that happening. Launched in May the Wee Blether telephone service offers a friendly chat with one of our volunteers. Thanks to our volunteers a Wee Blether flier was delivered to every household in and around Stanley. For more information please contact Laura.

New website

Stanley Development Trust has a new, improved website which is going live this month. Visitors to the site will see a highly attractive on-line presence packed full of information about the Trust and its projects. A 'latest news' feature and easy to navigate pages will help visitors to find exactly what they are looking for.

The SDT Board wish to express their immense gratitude to local resident Richard Cross of Control-X who very generously donated his time and skills to design and set up our wonderful new website. Thank you Richard!

Walk Group goes Zooming!

The Stanley walk group are meeting on Zoom, Fridays 10am, for strength and balance exercises. Folk who would like to connect with the walking group should phone Anne on 828678 for details.

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