



## WOLVERHAMPTON CITY FAIRTRADE PARTNERSHIP 2016 REPORT

### TIMELINE FOR 2016

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| February  | AGM to launch FT Fortnight ‘big breakfast’.<br>David Fulljames presented with Lord Bilston Award  |
| Feb/March | Fairtrade Fortnight highlights<br>Producer visit of Sheena Biju<br>Civic reception by Mayor of Wolverhampton<br>Events in schools, at Wolverhampton College,<br>University of Wolverhampton and Coop stores<br>MP’s coffee morning<br>Schools’ service<br>Coffee mornings and services in Churches<br>FT breakfast in foyer of Civic Centre<br>Schools’ art competition |
| March     | Wolverhampton Fairtraid shop relocated to Darlington Street   |
| May       | World Fairtrade Day celebrated with FT meal at<br>Wolverhampton College training restaurant   |
| June      | Celebration of 25 years of fair trading in Wolverhampton<br>Mayor opened Wolverhampton Fairtraid shop   |
| September | FT representatives at Wolverhampton Business breakfast  |
| October   | FT stall at Vegan Fest<br>Wolverhampton Methodist Circuit Just Fayre with £350<br>raised for Traidcraft Exchange  |
| November  | Launch of Wolverhampton FT chocolate bar at Arena<br>Theatre<br>City’s FT status renewed  |



## **ACHIEVEMENTS FOR 2016**

- Increased sales of Fairtrade goods in the Civic Centre kiosk
  - Links with Council procurement and outlets across city
  - Hosted FT producer from S.India
  - Launched City's FT chocolate bar
  - Re-opened Wolves Fairtraid shop in Darlington Street
  - Work in schools, with faith communities ongoing and with Wolverhampton Fair Traid shop ongoing
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- Renewed City's FT status – FT Foundation commended City for 'the variety and far-reaching nature of your engagement, and activities and outputs of a consistently high quality. The relationship between the steering group and the Council goes from strength to strength, with the direct involvement of senior council officials in events for FT Fortnight 2016. The City of Wolverhampton College achieving FT status is testament to the work of the Partnership. The success of the FT shop, despite disruptions, is also very impressive.'

## **FUTURE PLANS**

- Focus FT Partnership meetings on three areas – trade unions, business and education
- Build on new links with Royal Wolverhampton Hospital Trust, Black Country Chamber of Commerce, Shropshire Coffee Co
- Link with other FT groups in West Midlands to promote FT gold

Wolverhampton City Fairtrade Partnership would like to thank all those who have supported its work for Fairtrade across the City and beyond during 2016

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**Wolverhampton City Fairtrade Partnership is supported by:**

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