

WELCOMED

26,891 ⁸

people of all ages to our events – performances of all kinds in pubs, social and community centres, parks, markets and town squares.

PRODUCED

25 SHORT FILMS



seen by 52,000 people online, telling hidden stories of our towns – from a monastery in Mirfield, to an urban farm in Dewsbury and an underwater hockey club in Batley.

SECURED

£30K

of new funding to support the most isolated during lockdown, creating and providing free creative activity packs for families, isolated older people, and those living with dementia.

ENABLED

4,545



people to take part in creative activities

– including those with experience of
homelessness, isolation and mental health
issues, with migrants and refugees, parents
and young people.

COMMISSIONED ARTISTS TO CO-CREATE MORE THAN

SIXTY



from an original opera about Batley to Indian street art and Parkour, family-friendly performance based on South Asian stories, to night time illuminations and festive celebrations.

WELCOMED OVER

1000



shoppers and families to events in Dewsbury animating buildings, markets and squares with larger than life street performances, music and trails.

SUPPORTED

30 YOUNG PEOPLE



to gain high-level skills in performing and in outdoor arts producing, accessing careers in the creative industries.

EMPLOYED

16 PEOPLE



as Arts Adventurers – our local go-to team for getting the word out about what's on and collecting valuable feedback.

CREATED

BANK O

a movement of artists with important things to say about the issues facing towns and neighbourhoods, a creative community coming together to share, challenge, learn and grow.

COLLABORATED

50 COMMUNITY PARTNERS

including primary schools, refugee support groups, choirs, food banks, rugby clubs and housing associations.

ESTABLISHED

THE CREATIVITY CONNECTION

a network of 14 community leaders, organising arts activities and events in their neighbourhoods, sharing advice and skills.

INVESTED

£800K



in creative activities and events, bringing a whole host of artists from Kirklees, West Yorkshire, around the UK and beyond to co-create with our communities.