

2025



MAY NEWSLETTER

By the Community,
For the Community.



Welcome to The Peel Project's May Newsletter!

This month's newsletter reflects on an eventful and inspiring April. From exciting youth trips and impactful food bank initiatives to volunteer celebrations and national sporting achievements, it's been a month full of activity, growth, and community connection. Below, we share some of the highlights that made April such a powerful reminder of the difference we're making together.

Empowering the Next Generation

We proudly welcomed our first cohort of 2025 **Year 10 Work Experience students from Kelvin Hall School**. The group of four gained **first-hand insight into the non profit sector** and enthusiastically took part in various tasks, including:

- Deep cleaning our sports and storage containers
- Distributing food donation bins to local retailers
- Giving our community van a spring clean
- Organising office stationery and inputting vital data
- Shopping for our School Holiday Club
- Visiting a local recycling centre to learn about sustainability

This hands-on week gave them **invaluable skills, confidence and understanding of social impact work**.



Food Donation Bins Rolled Out

We delivered our **brand-new food donation bins** to local ethnic **food retailers and mosques**. This initiative is part of our ongoing campaign to **raise awareness of food poverty** while increasing donations of culturally appropriate foods for our **bi-weekly foodbank**



Farewell to Our Cycle Repair Hub

After nearly **two incredible years of free cycle repairs** in Peel Street Park in **partnership with R-evolution**, the curtain has closed on our community cycle hub due to a lack of continuation funding and available cycle mechanics. We're immensely proud of the **hundreds of residents** it supported and remain committed to identifying future opportunities

Easter Bowling Trip: Joy to Local Children

We treated **154 children** to a fun-filled bowling day at **Superbowl UK** as part of our Healthy Holidays programme. Each child received a free packed lunch and enjoyed two games, with over **50% on free school meals** and **69 children experiencing bowling for the very first time**. This was more than a trip—it was about **inclusion, excitement and memories**.



BJJ and Adults Football Return



Our beloved **physical activity programmes** resumed post-Ramadan. From **Youth Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu** to **Adults Refugee & Asylum Seeker Football**, we saw fantastic attendance and energy return to these free weekly sessions.



Women's Eid Party: Celebrating Community and Connection

After the Ramadan break, our **Ladies Befriending Group returned** with a vibrant Eid celebration attended by over **180 women and children**. With no formal local Eid events, this gathering created a **rare and meaningful space** for isolated families to connect, celebrate, and feel a sense of belonging. We were pleased to welcome partners and representatives from statutory services who joined us in the celebration.



BJJ Champions from Peel Project

We're thrilled to announce that two of our **young club members**—siblings—competed nationally and proudly brought home **gold and silver medals!** From local sessions to national podiums, their journey is a testament to the **potential nurtured** right here at The Peel Project.

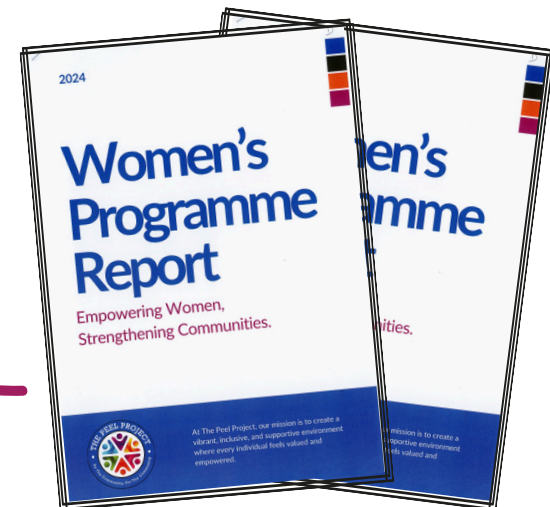


2024 Women's Programme Annual Report Released

A landmark year deserves a spotlight. Our 2024 Women's Programme Annual Report is now live—**celebrating the stories**, outcomes, and bold progress made by and for women in our community.

Fortnightly Foodbank: Halal, Fresh & Vital

Our **second April** foodbank served **53 families**, with each parcel **averaging £45** in value and including **halal meat, fresh fruit, vegetables and essential staples**. Residents travelled from across Hull (including HU6 and HU9) to access our culturally relevant and inclusive support.



WEEK THREE: W/C 14TH APRIL

Women's Volunteering Celebration Event



We hosted our **first ever Volunteer Feedback & Planning Meeting** for **13 amazing women** who have been the heart of our recent events—from Iftars to foodbanks. This gathering helped us **strengthen our volunteer strategy** and **recognise their contributions** while shaping future plans together.

WEEK FOUR: W/C 21ST APRIL

25th April Foodbank: 60+ Families Supported

Our latest foodbank session delivered food parcels to more than **60 families**—proving this is an ongoing **essential support** provided **for the community**

First Month of Food Bin Campaign Yields Success!

In just one month, our donation bins collected:

- **45kg rice**
- **50kg chapati flour**
- **4kg lentils**

Altogether, this food is **valued at £130**. A huge thank you to everyone who donated—what a promising start to our campaign to fight food insecurity!

WEEK FIVE: W/C 28TH APRIL

Inspiring Young Minds Boulevard Academy

Our **second cohort of Year 10 work experience students** joined us this week—this time five pupils from **Boulevard Academy**. The group immersed themselves in grassroots community work, including:

- Learning how to **diagnose and repair bicycles** under the supervision of a qualified engineer from our partners at R-evolution,
- **Organising kits** for our youth football teams,
- **Distributing fresh bread and delivering food donation bins** as part of our growing Food Bank Programme.

These experiences offered a valuable look into youth and community work, while equipping them with **practical life skills and a sense of purpose**.

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EMPOWERING LOCAL VOLUNTEERS WITH SKILLS, FIRST AID AND SAFEGUARDING

In the first quarter of 2024, The Peel Project **supported 12 local volunteers** to gain accredited qualifications and **enhanced DBS checks**—equipping them with vital skills to safely and confidently support our programmes. This included certifications in **Safeguarding Children, Emergency First Aid, and Food Hygiene**, all of which are crucial for delivering safe, inclusive and high-quality community activities. This investment in people not only strengthens our work, but also builds **pathways for local residents** to grow in confidence, gain employability skills, and play a bigger role in shaping their communities.

MONTHLY HIGHLIGHTS (APRIL STATS TO FOLLOW)

Stay tuned as we compile April's key performance stats for:

- Women's Befriending - **3 sessions**
- Girls Youth Club Sessions - **3 sessions**
- Kids BJJ - **6 sessions** | Adults BJJ - **2 sessions**
- School Holiday Trips - **2 Bowling Trips**
- Youth Football Academy - **16 sessions**
- Adults Football - **6 sessions**
- Volunteer Hours Logged - **180+ hrs**
- Community Foodbanks - **2 sessions**

NEXT MONTH

- Join us in celebrations of Eid Al-Adha on the **Peel Park**, with the **Eid Prayer** in the Park and the people's loved **Community Fun Fair**
- Join our **weekly sessions** or **register your children** to engage in healthy activities in a safe and supporting environment



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