

## **Case Studies from Projects Supported by the Lancashire Culture and Sport Fund**

### **Sewing Group in Barnoldswick**

Gemma Allen was the first person to successfully fund a project through Crowdfund Lancashire, raising £744 for her 'To Grow a Sewing Group in Barnoldswick' campaign. As an individual and applying for the individual funding strand, Gemma saw a need in her local area for increasing confidence in using a sewing machine. The project raised £744, including support from the Lancashire Culture and Sport Fund in a pledge of £357. Since then, the group has continued to thrive and has now formed a constitution, changing its name to 'The Pendle Stitches'. The group has 16 members and they have taught more than 50 people from their community how to sew and be confident on a machine.

### **Art on the Streets of Preston**

Another individual and established Preston-based creative, Garry Cook, wanted to create a community art exhibition in Preston City Centre: art by Preston residents, for Preston residents. The project created 10 artworks displayed on the high street during the summer of 2023, making culture accessible to everyone in the area. The project raised £2,964, including a pledge from the Lancashire Culture and Sport Fund of £1,417. The success of Art on the Streets of Preston encouraged Garry to submit another project in the next funding round. His second project, Fill the Frame Preston, was also successful.

### **Developing Warton Cricket Club**

With increasing usage, many of Warton Cricket Club's facilities required a much-needed refurbishment. This enabled the newly formed women's cricket team to grow. This investment improved the boundary lines, sight screens and existing covers. Improving these facilities has allowed all teams that use Warton Cricket Club to continue to use the facilities, as well as future-proofing the club from the increased usage of the space. This project raised £5,035 with a pledge of £2,533 from the Lancashire Culture and Sport Fund.