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## **FOWS help Walkden to bloom again !**



Thanks to a second "In Bloom" grant from Salford City Council the Friends of Walkden Station have completed a series of improvements to the environment at Walkden station in Greater Manchester.

The centrepieces of the latest works are two new stainless steel planters at the eastern end of the island platform (left). In the same style as the three planters already installed further down the platform, the new arrivals have slightly smaller dimensions and house two young conifers – festively topped off with silver and purple tinsel !

have installed a brand new flower bed in a derelict area of land at the opposite end of the platform (right - before and after), as well as refreshing the larger flower beds on both Wigan and Manchester platforms.

Finally, the nearby Walkden Road shops are to benefit from a set of Christmas wreaths.

As usual, FOWS have used local companies for their station improvement projects - the planters have been built by local engineering company J. Hughes and the plants and gardening materials are supplied by Linnyslaw Garden Centre.



### **About the Friends of Walkden Station (FOWS)**

FOWS is a community volunteer group that campaigns for improved services and facilities at Walkden station in Greater Manchester. The group perform voluntary activities such as gardening, litter collections, and cleaning to improve the station environment.

FOWS works in partnership with Salford City Council, Greater Manchester Passenger Transport Executive and Northern Rail.

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