

## Splash of colour added to Tees Valley station thanks to community artwork

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Colourful creations by the local community, are now centre stage at one of Northern's Tees Valley stations.

Groundwork North East's aims are centred in 'changing places changing lives', working with people to improve their communities and their own circumstances.

Together with Saabat Gallery in South Bank, Middlesbrough, 2 art sessions were organised to produce colourful artwork for the station's poster cases.

Eight people took part, including Gallery staff, local artists and family members from the local community.

The artwork is now proudly displayed on the platforms for passengers to enjoy.

Kerry Peters, Regional Director at Northern said: "We're always delighted to work on community projects and this artwork has really brightened up the station.



"I would like to say a huge thank you to Groundwork North East for their work on this project."

Susan Cammish, Green Team Supervisor, said: "It has been a pleasure to refurbish some of the existing artwork displayed along the platform, but, more importantly, to engage the current local community in expressing their pride for their local industrial and natural heritage.

"The new works show scenes along the River Tees corridor, as part of the River Tees Initiative, as well as wild and garden flowers, inspired by the Gallery's creative community garden project.

"We welcome visitors along the Teesdale Way, to come and enjoy the River Tees Sculpture trail, (both accessible from the station at South Bank), as well as Saabat Gallery and garden, just up the road."

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