

Opening of WTEC

Women's Technology Scheme was incorporated on 6th April 1983.

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NEW HOME

WTEC moves to the Trade Union Centre on Hardman Street in Liverpool.

ACCREDITATION

1st ever women's voluntary organisation to gain accreditation to offer BTEC National Certificate.

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ON THE MOVE

Proposal sent to Liverpool City Council to take over the Blackburne House building

EUROPEAN PARTNERSHIP

Launch of European Programme in Telematics

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1992

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

WTEC celebrates 10 years of working to transform women's lives.

NEW HOME

WTEC move into Blackburne House, a magnificent Grade II listed building on Hope Street

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AWARD WINNING

Blackburne House was 1 of 3 buildings to win the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) award

AWARD WINNING

Award for Conservation from Merseyside Civic Society.

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INVESTMENT

BT fund the installation of a computer suite.

PATRONAGE

Baroness Helena Kennedy becomes Patron of WTEC.

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WOMEN'S FESTIVAL

Blackburne House launch the Merseyside Festival for Women



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

WTEC celebrates 25 years of transforming women's lives.

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2008

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WOMEN'S FESTIVAL

Blackburne House launch the Liverpool Women's Festival 08, a yearlong celebration of events.

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PARTNERSHIPS

Launch of Liverpool Academy for Sustainable Enterprise (LASE) a ground breaking business support programme

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2008

2010

PRODUCT LAUNCH

Launch of Hope Street Honey.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

WTEC celebrates 30 years of transforming women's lives.

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2013

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AWARD WINNING

WTEC awarded Matrix Quality Standard

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AWARD WINNING

Winner of the Excellence in Career Development award for our Women in Construction courses.

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2013

2014

PARTNERSHIPS

Opening of Friends Meeting House (vegetarian) Cafe in partnership with the Liverpool Quakers

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FREEDOM OF THE CITY

Blackburne House awarded Freedom of the City in June 2015

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2015

2016

AWARDED BEACON STATUS

WTEC becomes an Ofsted Outstanding Provider of Education & is awarded Beacon Status

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NEW PROGRAMME

Launch of BEE You, a 5 year environmental programme to address plight of honey bees through urban beekeeping.

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2017

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NEW PROGRAMME

Launch of 5 year Lloyds Bank Social Entrepreneurs Support Programme to support social enterprises across the North West.

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**100 YEARS OF WOMEN'S
RIGHT TO VOTE**

Unveiling of plaque to
commemorate 100th year of
women's right to vote.

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2018

2019

**DAUGHTERS OF THE
WINDRUSH**

Premier of Daughters of
Windrush; The Descendants
Stories film documentary.

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PARTNERSHIPS

Opening of the Bistro at
Clatterbride in partnership with
Catterbridge Cancer Centre.

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2020

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RESPONSE TO COVID

Education delivery moves online &
wellness provision increases to
support women in need.

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PARTNERSHIPS

Distribution partner for
Smallwood grants to women
experiencing hardship.

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2020

2022

NEW CENTRE

Launch of new wellness centre
to provide counselling and
wellbeing support to women.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

WTEC Celebrates 40 years of
transforming women's lives

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2023

2023

**GOOD EARLY YEARS
PROVIDER STATUS**

Blackburne House Nursery
awarded Good Early Years
provider status by Ofsted

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**GOOD PROVIDER OF
EDUCATION STATUS**

Blackburne House Education
awarded Good provider of
education status by Ofsted

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2023

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NEW PARTNERSHIPS

The Progress Group choose
Blackburne House as their Charity
of the Year

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NEW PARTNERSHIPS

Merseyrail choose Blackburne
House as their Charity of Choice
for the next 2 years

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2024

2025

AWARD NOMINATION

Shortlisted for a National Diversity
Award in the Community
Organisation: Gender category

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