

Since Bask opened in May 2022 we have seen a significant positive impact on our colleagues and business being based here at Stockport Exchange.

- It's great to see our colleagues together again in the office more and the timing of Bask's opening has certainly helped as we slowly increased the number of days colleagues returned to the office. We have found teams are celebrating milestones and achievements amongst their teams – hosting celebrations or just popping in afterwork for a drink after a long day.*
- Bask's cohesive layout provides additional informal meeting space, allowing colleagues to host informal 121 meetings outside of the office in a safe space.*
- Since the arrival of The Kitchen this has opened the possibilities of hosting lunch informal meetings in Bask with our CEO and Senior Leadership Team and their contacts. We're able to pre-order food timely and reserve tables for such meetings. Given Bask's location this makes it much easier for anyone visiting our office for a meeting rather than having to direct them to an eatery in Stockport or our team travel to Manchester instead. Some colleagues are also hosting breakfast meetings with their network who commute from Stockport Station.*
- We've hosted numerous private events including a charity quiz night and Christmas party. Bask hosted both events seamlessly, professionally and nothing was too much trouble.*

In all, Bask have been a great addition to our Stockport Exchange community and are providing a huge contribution to the night time economy of the town in particular. What's also refreshing is the loyal team Benji has, there is not a high turnover of staff as you would expect from similar venues which speaks volumes. Bask have also contributed to the community – donating to charitable causes who have hosted events with them, EGG – Engage Grow and Go are one. They've provided raffle prizes and supported other community groups also.

Benji and his team are extremely accommodating and several of the musicMagpie team would now class him not only as a valuable member of our business community but a top man and friend.

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