

CLYDEBANK HOUSING ASSOCIATION LIMITED

FROM: Centre81 Co-ordinator **DATE:** 21/01/2020

TO: Management Committee **REF:** \AM\C81

SUBJECT: CENTRE81 UPDATE – January 2020 (Decisions required)

This report is to provide the Management Committee with an update of Centre81, including events, funding and current and potential projects. Information relating to Gym81 and current activities can be found in Appendix I.

1 Upcoming Events

There are no events planned for January/February.

2 Events held in December

We held our Christmas Lunch on 19th December, as always it was a lovely afternoon and everyone who attended had a great time. The lunch was part funded by the Centre81 Steering Group.

Our Christmas Fayre was held on Saturday 7th December. We raised £470 for our Community Pot. The Clydebank Post also did a double page spread on the event, which is great free publicity for the Centre.

3 Projects

Appendix II provides a detailed breakdown of ongoing and proposed projects.

5. Community Pot

We currently have c. £4.7k in our Community Pot which can be used to fund community activities throughout the year. At the moment we are running a Monday morning Yoga class which is subsidised with this fund.

We are currently asking the local community, centre users and the Centre81 Steering Group what kind of activities they would like to see at the Centre. Ideas so far are include Community BBQ, Mindfulness & Relaxation Sessions, Fermented Foods Workshops and Bread Making classes.

6. Centre81 Steering Group

The next meeting of the Steering Group will be held week beginning 24th February (date and time to be confirmed). At the moment the Centre81 Steering Group is delivering a Children's Art Club, Adult Art Classes and an After School Club. We are delighted to be working closely with the Steering Group and that they are working on securing more funding to be able to deliver more activities/courses which will benefit the community and Centre81.

7. Microsoft Window 10 Upgrade of IT Suite PC's & Laptops (Decision required)

The full IT suite, laptops and 2 staff PC's should ideally be replaced (the current hardware is now 8 years old and Microsoft have withdrawn Windows 7 support). Our ICF project also requires access to PCs and laptops for employability, digital learning and Moving on in IT Courses. This is something we need to fulfil the requirements of our funding. Costings below for laptops and PC's:

Item	Cost per unit	No. Required	
Laptops	£559.20	12	£6,710.40
PC's (including 2 Staff PC's)	£594.00	10	£5,940.00
Screens	£132.00	10	£1,320.00
Total (including installation & VAT			£13,970.40

Due to the importance of these capital items both in the delivery of our projects and for efficient staff working, I would recommend that the Management Committee considers the approval of the quotes as above. It is important to note that all the current laptops and most of the PC's were purchased via Scottish Government Grant and therefore this would be the first major expenditure in this regard for a number of years.

8. New Contacts/business

No new business this month.

Gym Statistics

Due to staff absence, the figures are unavailable. We will report updated figure in the February report.

Current Activities at Centre81

Yoga	Monday	9.30-10.30am
Learn to Sew	Monday	6.00-8.00pm
Pilates	Tuesday	9.30-10.30am
Circuit Training	Tuesday	6.00-7.00pm
ISARO Drop in	Wednesday	11.00am-1.00pm
How to Work IT	Wednesday	10am -12 noon
Yoga	Wednesday	6.30-7.30pm
Family History Group	Thursday	1.00-3.00pm
Bingo and lunch club	Thursday	1.00-3.00pm
Kettlebells with William	Thursday (£4 per class)	7.00-8.00pm
Slimming World	Thursday	5.00-7.00 pm
Tai Chi	Friday	2.00-3.00pm
SAS Autistic Club	Friday (every 2nd)	6.00-8.00pm
SAS Autistic Club	Saturday (every 2nd)	10.00am -12noon

Projects & Funding

Fund	Project	Update
Climate Challenge Fund (CCF3)	Growing Skills, Growing Spaces The aim of this project is to develop a holistic approach to carbon management within Clydebank; ensuring residents are able to address carbon emissions across all aspects of their lives. This project will aim to increase the skills of local people across a range of different areas including bike maintenance, cooking, gardening and upcycling, awareness of carbon literacy, their carbon footprint and ways to minimise it.	<p>Project is on track and all outcomes expected to be met by March 31st 2020.</p> <p>Garden – Gardening workshops – are currently on target with 15 left to be completed. Preparing the gardens for Spring planting.</p> <p>Cooking – 4 blocks complete so far. New block started on 21st January.</p> <p>Bikes –Cycling took a break due to the Winter weather and early nights setting in. We are starting back Monday Morning cycles with DACA on 10th of Feb and will be looking to add a weekend cycle for families a long side this also. Bike donations and bike maintenance workshops are on target for end of project.</p> <p>Home Energy – Project officer has visited 119 homes so far. Looking at giving advice and support to housing residents in the Linnvale area.</p>
Sustrans (Decision Required)	Access Ramp from Centre to Canal Path	<p>The legal process to secure the lease of the land with British Waterways has been finalised and authorisation for the CE is required to sign it on behalf of CHA. The lease will not come into effect until such times as the full grant funding has been secured.</p> <p>The works tender is currently being advertised on PCS with a return date of 31 January 2020. We await the outcome of various funding applications to secure the funding required to cover the full cost of the project and get the project on site.</p> <p>These will hopefully be received end January/beginning February.</p>
Scottish Government Investing in Communities Fund (ICF) (Decision Required)	Empowering Clydebank This project will aim to deliver the following: Digital awareness, College classes, CSCS courses, Language Café, Health and Safety/ Food Hygiene, ESOL (English for Speakers of Other Languages) courses, Family group parenting classes and early	<p>The Scottish Government has reviewed our application queries and are happy with the information we provided on our key tasks, project outcomes and costs. The offer of grant in the sum of £245,044 to March 2022 has now been received and authorisation for CE to return acceptance of the Officer of Grant is required.</p> <p>The ICF Grant allocations for the financial years 2020/21 and 2021/22 will be subject to written confirmation following the outcome of the annual</p>

	<p>learning, Youth club, Older residents' lunch club, Keep Fit classes, Sport, recreation and arts activities for autistic young people, ISARO ethnic minority support and integration activities.</p>	<p>spending reviews and the Scottish Government will update us on these in due course.</p>
<p>Climate Challenge Fund (CCF4)</p>	<p>Growing Change for Good This proposed project, Growing Change for Good, will focus on continuing with past CCF funded projects, such as the developing residents gardening and growing skills, encouraging/supporting home growers, delivering low carbon cooking sessions integrated with Carbon Literacy information and supporting and encouraging residents to use bikes rather than cars or public transport. The project also aims to support the set-up of a constituted Environmental Group to help with the long-term sustainability of the project.</p>	<p>We submitted our bid before Christmas. We hope to hear mid-February on whether or not we are successful or not.</p>