

CLYDEBANK HOUSING ASSOCIATION LIMITED

FROM: Centre81 Co-ordinator **DATE:** 28/01/2021
TO: Management Committee **REF:** \AM\C81
SUBJECT: CENTRE81 UPDATE – January 2021

This report is to provide the Management Committee with an update of Centre81, including events, funding, current and potential projects. However, as the Centre remains closed to the public,

At present, only our Caretaker is in the building for a few hours every morning. He is currently carrying out small paintwork jobs around the centre.

1 Projects

Appendix 1 provides a detailed breakdown of ongoing and proposed projects.

2 Community Pot

At the moment, we have c. £4.7k in our Community Pot, which can be used to fund community activities throughout the year. Once lockdown restrictions begin to ease, we can start planning activities.

3 Centre81 Steering Group

Since the New Year, the Steering Group have been providing services online, such as their daily Virtual Youth Group (via Zoom) sessions which helps with homework or school work or just to 'meet' up with friends. They will continue with the online sessions until restrictions ease.

4 Gym81

A full service has been carried out on all our Gym equipment as well as a deep clean of the gym. Once restrictions ease, we will be in a position to re-open the gym (in line, of course with current Scottish Government Covid-19 restrictions). A booking system will be implemented for all gym users, as well as a robust cleaning schedule.

Projects & Funding

Fund	Project	Update
Climate Challenge Fund (CCF4)	<p>Growing Change for Good 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>All classes and activities normally held at the Centre are on hold due to Covid19.</p> <p>We have been holding our cooking classes via Zoom (online video/meeting platform), which has been a great success so far. We supplied the participants with the basic ingredients and a recipe card and they joined in with a live cooking class from their own kitchens.</p> <p>We continue to liaise with our Grow Bag recipients via email and phone, to keep up-to-date with the progress of their raised beds and the produce grown and also to help with any gardening tips and advice.</p> <p>The Bike Maintenance is on hold at the moment.</p>
Scottish Government Investing in Communities Fund (ICF)	<p>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 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>Our Horticulture course with West College Scotland finished on 18th December. Delighted to report that 12 learners passed the unit. The next course 'Allotments' will be delivered online, this course will start the end of February</p> <p>ISARO continue to deliver their ESOL classes, Parent club and career advice sessions online.</p>
Sustrans	<p>Access Ramp from Centre to Canal Path</p>	<p>Work commenced on the canal path on 9th November. The programme of works should last for approx. 14 weeks and is due to be finished mid-February 2021.</p>
Scottish Government (administered by Cycling UK)	<p>Scotland Cycle Repair Scheme (additional lockdown project carried out by C81 staff)</p>	<p>We have been awarded a further £3000 from The Scotland Cycle Repair Scheme, to help local residents with the cost of repairing their bikes e.g. fixing flat tyres, loose brakes and clunky gears. The coronavirus crisis hit many people hard and this fund has helped people meet the costs of essential bike repairs (£50 per bike). We are unable to deliver this at the</p>

		moment due to lockdown, however will be back on track once restrictions ease.
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