



PRIMROSE COMMUNITY TRUST

CROSSGATES FOR ALL

CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE

As part of our commitment to engage with the community, PCT wants to involve and update everyone regularly. We will do this through our website and chairman. The importance of everyone's involvement and engagement is critical to our success, as we wish to focus our facilities on the needs of individuals and groups.

Please let us remind you what the PCT is all about:

In the last six months, the members of the trust have been charged with the responsibility to put our final proposals together for the provision of first-class facilities for Crossgates.

Keeping our basic objectives in mind, which are to provide bespoke facilities for the community of Crossgates, we are now finalising our detailed plans, which we are submitting to our potential funders and partners. This is a colossal amount of work detailing activities, benefits, costs and revenue streams for all our pillars of activities.

The following pillars of activity are all exciting in their own right, but taken as a whole provide the enormous benefits and outcomes to which we are committed. Our initiatives and plans (pillars of our community approach) are as follows:

- 1 - Welfare (Foodbank and fuel fund availability)
- 2 - Youth and Child Development (Youth club started in March)
- 3 - Fitness and health (About to offer the opportunity for classes and programmes, most likely within the community centre, survey to follow)
- 4 - Heritage and education (Involvement and development of our primary school pupils in the fabric of our community)
- 5 - Community engagement (We are committed to all our activities and initiatives, being transparent and we wish to get the views of everyone at all times)
- 6 - Sports and recreation (The building of bespoke facilities for local teams of all ages)

I have to say that the effort and commitment from everyone in the setting up and delivery of both our Welfare and Youth Club has been outstanding. Thank you. The challenge of course is to keep everything going and set high standards. Our next initiative is in the area of fitness and health; we aim to make this as successful as possible, ensuring involvement and enjoyment for all; with this in mind we will be asking for your opinion in a survey response to what our community wants and needs in this area very soon.

The overall budgeted cost for our plans is in the region of £1.68 million; we aim to provide the facilities to ensure all our above pillars can be successful. We are planning to meet the challenging cost using a phased approach over the next three years. Whenever we are in a position to share openly about the detailed plans and costs, we will do so (circa 3-4 months). Suffice to say, there is a direct link between the perceived benefits and the immense detail we need to provide our potential funders with. This is what we are working on now. This is an absorbing but exciting phase; we wish to share our values and objectives openly with all the community.

We are planning to have an open face-to-face meeting with everyone over the next two months. Keep an eye out for that announcement.

I can assure everyone, on behalf of the trust that we remain not only excited about our journey, but also committed to the immense detail to require these funds.

As always, the door is open for comments for support and indeed the opportunity to join us.

I look forward to speaking with everyone on behalf of the PCT at regular intervals.

"I'M EXCITED, THAT WE'RE UNITED"



IAN CAMPBELL