



North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network: Area Partnership Report October/November 2021

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North West Update

People Make Glasgow Communities: This Glasgow City Council initiative has met with a mixed reaction from NWGVSN members, with some interested in pursuing the idea of taking over or managing a Council property, but many members expressing concern about the security of their current arrangements with the Council. NWGVSN has formed a working group to look at the processes involved.

The Council has openly admitted that initial communication around the initiative was poor, but, as a network of community organisations, our main concern going forward is that the community engagement element of the process is seen to meet the National Standards, and that those citizens that are seldom heard have a voice. The responsibility for community engagement falls upon the organisation expressing an interest in a Council property, and forms part of the application process. The Council will monitor that process, but in the interests of absolute transparency, and to strengthen that process, we would ask the Council to implement a steering group of key stakeholders, including third sector organisations, which would guide and scrutinise the community engagement strategy employed by applicants to the PMGC process.

<https://www.voicescotland.org.uk/national-standards>

Open Government [GCC draft Open Government Plan](#)

GCC, applied successfully to the global Open Government Partnership and have outlined a series of 4 commitments to ensure local government and associated information is more accountable, transparent and crucially includes citizens in the development and decisions on plans, initiatives and projects that affect them. The 4 commitments are Increasing Participatory Democracy-creating Citizens Panels, Exploring an Open Digital Engagement Platform, Co-creating an Open Data Hub, Building Awareness and Communication on Open Government. The network welcomes initiatives that will create space for Glasgow Citizens to reclaim power and be actively involved in the development of initiatives and in decision making. We would ask the citizens that were involved in the GCC Participatory Budgeting pilot process are involved as early as possible in this process as they have 1st hand experience of Citizens Panels. There are many other participatory process currently running in the city, co- lead by citizens who could support this process too, who would bring a much needed citizens perspective to this process.

The open data hub and engagement platform are also welcome, we would suggest that without devices, reliable internet and support to access and interpret the data, these initiatives will not be accessible to the most vulnerable citizens who are have historically found it more difficult to influence decisions and be actively involved.

We call on elected members & Glasgow City Council to full embrace the Open Government plan, engaging with citizens who have already been involved with Citizens Panels and Participatory Democracy to guide and shape the work. We further ask that it is acknowledged that the more vulnerable citizens will likely need help to access & interpret the data, therefore work needs to be done jointly with Digital board to

ensure citizens have the equipment they need. The 3rd sector support the more vulnerable citizens in Glasgow, and are likely to be supporting the people they serve to access the data, make sense of it and get actively involved, this should be recognised and where needed appropriately funded.

Violence Against Women Everyone is aware of the recent upsurge in media highlighting the violence against women; from a discussion of a new spiking injection said to be used in nightclubs, to the murder of woman in their own homes, going about their daily lives.

Women represent 70.3% of the overall workforce of Scottish charities ([Gender pay gap briefing May2018 SCVO](#)), many work evenings and in areas poorly served by public transport or with parking restrictions. The 3rd sector unfortunately, due to funding, do not pay high wages, and often employ sessional staff for youth work and other evening provision. In some instances, this leads to some staff paying quite a high percentage of their salary on parking, or taxis to feel safe. One of our members Community Central Halls will soon be affected by parking restrictions, meaning they need to pay to park near their workplace until 10pm, like many organisations, many staff carryout evening work. They then have to pay for their parking or walk a considerable distance for public transport. This one example of many organisations paying for parking or feeling unsafe to access public transport, after carrying out evening work.

We would ask elected members and Glasgow City Council to look at the issue of parking for 3rd sector staff, acknowledging that 2/3 of staff are women and therefore at an increased risk of violence.

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Anderston/City/Yorkhill:

The Marie Trust

- We are still refurbishing the new premises at 29 Albion St and plan on having a soft opening before officially opening the premises. The premises will provide direct access, no referral, disabled access for people who are homeless or at risk.
- We have a large industrial kitchen which is about 3 x what they had in our previous premises, and which will provide more **opportunities for people to develop life skills**, confidence, structure, and skills for work. We have an amazon wish list for people to donate and support us in purchasing foods to help keep the costs low
- The new premises will have 2 large café areas which are nearly complete. We have been working with BA Design Students at City of Glasgow College who have designed our interiors for the café space. The café will still be a Healthy Living Plus Award, where the training kitchen makes all food from scratch. It is not for profit so food is highly subsidised and with lots of free healthy foods. A café is a place where people can get nutritious food to eat but also where people can access support directly, without any referral, significantly removing barriers to engagement and services. **We are still looking for new volunteers to support the café delivery, so if anyone is interested to please contact Trina Sharp TSharp@themarietrust.org.uk.**
- There will be free WiFi and iPads situated in the cafe areas to increase access to digital skills during opening hours (10-5 pm) and we will also be delivering Community Education from 4.30-7 pm weekdays. This is a twilight time when services generally close and people don't have much to do, so we are looking to meet this gap and deliver a wide range of community non accredited and accredited classes in the creative café. We will be working with independent artists and colleges and our tutors to deliver this program but **keen to hear from any community projects who are interested in partnership working with us.**
- We continue to deliver our Community Education programmes in the City of Glasgow and Glasgow Kelvin College. Our Health and Wellbeing and Social prescribing continue to be delivered in the community and Counselling is delivered at Glasgow Therapy Rooms.

- We are using the front of the building for marketing to raise our profile and for people to donate. We are just waiting on the Tap to Donate machine where the public can donate £3 to help us support people affected by food and fuel poverty. We also have a new website, new logo and a focus on social media so people know who we are, what we do and for people to self refer or know where people can access support.
- <https://www.themarietrust.org/>

Townhead Village Hall

- TVH are taking part in the Human Appeal Wrap Up campaign again this year. TVH is a drop off point. They will take donations 18 October – 1st November- community members can donate a coat during that period. They have almost 700 already. <https://humanappeal.org.uk/ap-peals/wrap-up>
- TVH have started to open back up again since the summer with tea/coffee days. New exercise classes have started and most of their regular bookings back with us such as tai Chi, Friendship Group and Central and Western Integration
- **Food Provision:** At the start of 2021 TVH were still delivering free weekly groceries to vulnerable residents, which started to dwindle as the need subsided. They consulted with local people and decided, with a donation from Tesco Springburn, to start a Pantry and they made up food bags for those still needing this support. They are still here for any local resident in need of any kind of support, and are still receiving calls.
- **IT:** With the help of both North West Glasgow Voluntary Sector Network and Kelvin college TVH have given vulnerable local residents much needed computer access be it for English lessons, speaking to friends and family not in Glasgow, for school work or applying for jobs
- **Volunteering:** As a follow-up from a door by door survey completed in 2020 TVH held their first Volunteering Meet, two young people from Townhead who had attended, spent an eventful summer in TVH garden along with staff and volunteers. They are planning more of these Volunteering Meets as they are still receiving interest.
- **Good news story:** John Lewis donated lots of boxes of luxury chocolates and TVH hand delivered them to members and those isolated or housebound. One local resident told the volunteer who was delivering her box that she had been feeling down all week and couldn't seem to get her positive attitude back and the fact that someone took the time to think of her and knock on her door handing her an expensive box of chocolates had put her into such a positive state of mind.
- <http://www.townheadvillagehall.org.uk/> or <https://www.facebook.com/Townhead-Village-Hall-231831620290847>

The Pyramid

- Have construction works taking place in the building at the moment - therefore have not been in a position to programme any Halloween events this year. The exciting news, however, is that they now have a lift in the main atrium hall that (once completed) gives accessibility for all to their first floor spaces, including the beautiful Sanctuary.
- They are currently planning Christmas in Anderston for 2021 - working alongside all our local schools, the Salvation Army, local councillors and Housing Associations. The date for this will be Friday 3rd December.
- They are running a learn to cycle initiative called Wheelbeing for Adults. It is a FREE cycling course, with Bike for Good & Glasgow Sport, started on Wednesday 27 October
- See their website for more info www.thepyramid.scot

Central & West Integration Network

- Central & West Integration Network are continuing with their food bank and have restarted up some of their sessions again including ESOL classes.

- They currently have some outdoor groups, walking, cycling & gardening groups.
- They have also been working with members on COP26 art work.
- <https://www.cwin.org.uk/>

Garnethill Multicultural Centre

- Most clubs & activities up and running again, art classes for local children, music classes, film screenings etc. with a few new including chess club & Scottish Country Dancing.
- Centre is becoming as busy as it was pre COVID. All following COVID -19 safety protocols.
- <https://garnethillmc.co.uk/>

Glasgow's Golden Generation

- GGG is delighted to have been able to return to normal service delivery from August 2021. Services are now back face to face; albeit with some COVID compliance limitations to befriending services, welfare and benefits advice, and day care centres.
- The Fred Paton Centre, in Woodlands, is now back open and the centre has benefited greatly from upgrades to the centre funded by generous donations via the Area Partnership Grants in the North West Wards, as well as other donations via trust making bodies. A day at The Fred Paton Centre involves collection from your home, refreshments, 3 course lunch, entertainment and social activities, before being dropped off at home again.
- GGG has also broadened the service delivery and is now including a new Careline Service; this is a hotline where staff will answer calls in relation to any issue, including local services, health questions, housing and so much more. The befriending service has increased to include support with digital training and advice with support on hand via telephone or by house visit.
- GGG will launch our own fuel poverty campaign in winter; this will include advice on fuel efficiency, welfare checks to maximise income, and support with fuel poverty in the home. Plans are ongoing, but GGG will be there to tackle the rising cost of gas prices and the devastating impact this will have on heating older peoples' homes.
- For access to any service as noted above please contact 0141 221 9924 and our team will be on hand to assist.
- <https://glasgowgg.org.uk/>

Macmillan at Glasgow Libraries update

- Cancer support and information is now being provided with weekly, in-person appointments available for people living with or beyond cancer, family, friends or carers, and people who are bereaved.
- Book an appointment or make a referral by emailing macmillan@glasgowlife.org.uk or they are also hosting drop ins offering support, information and the space to talk about what you are going through. You can drop in to The Mitchell every Tuesday from 11am-1pm

www.glasgowlife.org.uk/macmillan

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Canal Ward: Rep Jill McKay

Young People's Futures <http://www.youngpossifutures.org.uk/>

- Youth work programme continues and facilitated from Perthshire FC, St Matthews centre and outdoors
- October school holiday programme provided children and young people with breakfast, lunch and healthy wholesome hot meals and snacks. Programme ran Monday to Friday with over 190 young people attending.
- Family support continues, supporting the most vulnerable families in the community
- Education employment continues and face to face appointments are facilitated from St Matthews.
- connecting with older residents by telephone continues weekly
- Emergency food provision continues but at a very small scale, only those in absolute need are being supported, We are not promoting this service as funds are very low.

St Matthews Centre <https://www.stmatthewscentre.co.uk/>

- Maintained a 6 day opening to allow a range of activities to take place (minimum 14 per week) for young people and adults
- Welcomed the Chinese Recreation Centre, local Artist Bex Smith and YPF as building users and tenants.
- Delivered a monthly community meal to around 20people
- Continued to support the wider community through active participation in the Thriving Places initiative and various subgroups including the delivery of this years Christmas Festival and essential community support information.

Love Milton @welovemilton

- Small community meals delivered.
- Outdoor activities – walking groups for adults, outdoor play for young people.
- Children's Food Programme during October week.
- Developed growing space at the ARC in partnership with the Steering Group.
- Provided neighbourhood and local support around poverty.

Lambhill Stables <https://www.lambhillstables.org/>

- Volunteer opportunities in the garden.
- Delivered classes – art, heritage, knitting.
- Café has now re-opened.
- Lunch clubs are now up and running.
- Working on a project around the Stockingfield Bridge.
- Young people completing Duke of Edinburgh Awards, with 2 going on the Silver.
- Working in partnership with Cadder Primary School on an outdoor education project.
- Established a Dad's group.

ARC Steering Group @ArcSteering

- Youth sessions now back up and running – 4 evenings per week.

- Football and games tournament delivered.
- October week programme delivered – 3 activity days (small petting zoo, baking, arts, sports, dance and games) and 120 hot meals supplied.

North Glasgow Community Food Initiative <https://www.ngcfi.org.uk/>

- Community café now open 2 days per week.
- Community fridge open 2 days per week.
- Fruit and veg barra now back up and running.
- Cooking classes and nutrition workshops for children being delivered.
- Adult classes now being delivered – art, line dancing.
- COP26 workshops being delivered.

North United Communities <http://www.nuconline.co.uk/>

- October week activity programme delivered in Ruchill, Wyndford and Milton – offering activities and hot/cold food, including BBQ's.
- Youth sessions now back up and running in each operational – 2/3 sessions in each area.
- Family Support Service is currently working with 50 live cases, all of which are high tariff.
- Delivered accredited learning courses for young people in Kayaking, Indoor Climbing, High % Awards, Youth Work and Volunteering/Leadership.

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Drumchapel/Annie'sland: Rep Dougie Taylor

Growchapel <https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/4bf761ca6a954ed2aaf1996bf40e2bee>

The Growchapel Garden was launched on 2nd October 2021. The launch event was a great success, and with some of the allotment plots already being used. A seasonal calendar is being produced to support the gardeners

Antonine Court <https://www.antonine.org/>

Antonine Court was launched 40 years ago in 1981. A truly community based organisation it provides an innovative programme of day opportunities for people with a disability. Antonine seeks to promote independence, increase citizenship and challenge prejudice. It is a key organisation supporting people with significant disability in Drumchapel and the surrounding communities.

G15 Youth Project @G15YouthProject

G15 Youth Project is in the process of moving into its new premises, but we cannot say where, because they are preparing for a big reveal on social media.

Thriving Places <https://www.facebook.com/Thriving-Places-Drumchapel>

Thriving Places are continuing their Community engagement along with Drumchapel Community Council to find out what the community would want from a Community Hub. Thriving places also ran a Show Racism the Red Card Event at the shopping centre on Fri 22nd Oct.

Chest Heart and Stroke Scotland <https://www.facebook.com/groups/219197745300337/>

Great to see the shop reopen, and to recommence its role as the Thriving Places Hub

Glasgow Times Community Champion <https://www.glasgowtimes.co.uk/news/19567748.glasgow-community-champions-2021-need-know/>

Fraser Devine, a founder member of Men Matter Scotland, has been nominated for the individual award, and 3D Drumchapel in the health and Wellbeing category. Voting is now closed, good luck to them both!

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Garscadden/Scotstounhill: Reps Tam Munro & Neil Lovelock

DRC Generations

<http://www.drcgenerations.org.uk>

<https://www.facebook.com/drcgenerations>

- Re-started 1-2-1 information sessions in the refurbished office space
- Still offering a range of online support services

DRC Youth Project

<https://drcyouthproject.blogspot.com>

<https://www.facebook.com/drcyouthproject>

<https://twitter.com/DRCYouthProject>

- Continued delivery of the Pathfinder project in partnership with Working Rite
- North West Community Pantry distributing food locally <https://twitter.com/NorthWestPantry>
- Youth club services have re-started at Yoker Community Campus and Heart of Scotstoun, and outreach work programme being delivered at Glasgow BMX Centre

Glasgow Eco Trust and De'ilds On Wheels

<https://www.glasgowecotrust.org.uk/> and <https://www.facebook.com/GlasgowEcoTrust/>

- Bike repairs and sales continuing
- Adult led cycle rides and adult health walks taking place twice a week
- Learn to cycle classes and Play On Pedals re-started at Scotstoun Leisure Centre
- Hosting a community activator as part of the Glasgow Community Food Network Food and Climate Action Project.
- DRC local network meetings being held monthly with the last meeting being a successful trial of new technology at Knightswood Community Centre for a hybrid meeting

- Partnered with Stop Climate Chaos Scotland to produce the Glasgow Green Map for COP26 <https://www.glasgowecotrust.org.uk/glasgow-green-map>
- Continue to support the Save Whiteinch Library campaign <https://twitter.com/savewhiteinch/>

Heart of Scotstoun Community Centre

<https://heartofscotstoun.org.uk/>

<https://www.facebook.com/heartofscotstoun>

<https://twitter.com/hoscotstoun>

- Cafe is open 6 days a week
- Community garden is now complete and in full bloom and more growing spaces being created
- Food pantry now only open one day a week
- User and activity groups started including karate and DRC Youth Project
- Hosting Just West of the West Fest on Sat 27 Nov
<https://twitter.com/HOScotstoun/status/1450548419408408576>

Ignite Theatre

<https://www.ignitetheatreglasgow.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/IgniteTheatreGlasgow>

https://twitter.com/Glasgow_Ignite

Kingsway Community Connections

<https://www.kingswaycc.org.uk>

<https://www.facebook.com/KingswayCommunityConnections>

https://twitter.com/Kingsway_CC

- Weekly coffee morning (Tuesday) and lunch club Bite and a Blether (Thursday)
https://twitter.com/Kingsway_CC/status/1427715490215043082
- 21st Birthday fundraiser during November
https://twitter.com/Kingsway_CC/status/1449986345582174212

Knightswood Community Centre

<https://www.knightswoodcentre.co.uk>

<https://www.facebook.com/Knightswood-Community-Centre-132216143492634>

- There has been progress to develop the Knightswood former Swimming Pool into an Intergenerational Shared Space (IGSS). The Architect (INCH Design) have now completed their report with concept drawings for IGSS. At present the report is confidential and not for public release. Glasgow Life/Glasgow City Council have been asked to formally review and comment on the paper. Specifically, asking them to:
 - To endorse the overall design concept and development approach
 - To investigate the potential for development as a community hub or through People Make Glasgow Communities
 - To provide a formal commitment to the transfer/ lease of pool building to an appropriate owner/ operator as an IGSS
- Implementing Covid Marketing Recovery Plan which has included updating Centre Brochure and distributing to 5,241 households in Knightswood.
- A 50th (plus one) Anniversary Open Day is planned for **Saturday 4th December 2021**. This will be a free Community event and on the day, we are hoping to have something for everyone: children's activities, performances, workshops, come and try sessions, family ceilidh, refreshments, food and raffle prizes.

LINKES



<https://www.linkes.org.uk>

<https://www.facebook.com/linkesglasgow>

<https://twitter.com/linkesgla>

- Groupwork is busy (online and in person). We have relocated ESOL classes to Knightswood Community Centre, whilst our own office venue remains closed, awaiting essential repairs. The lack of access to our venue is an ongoing frustration and additional expense (as we rent alternative venues).
- Food distribution work has now paused on the estate and reopened the Youth Hub (which had been repurposed for a weekly food hub throughout the covid-19 restrictions). We are exploring another venue for the food work and continue to work with local volunteers in a monthly Food Group to explore longer term solutions.
- We held a successful hybrid AGM in September, electing a board of 15 members.
- Robert Smith, chairperson of LINKES, was awarded 'Trustee of the Year' in the SCVO Charity Awards 2021. <https://scvo.scot/p/45252/2021/10/01/scottish-charity-awards-2021-winners-announced>
- Looking forward: we hope to gain access to our venue, groupwork continues online and in person, play work is ongoing, we hope to resume community events in 2022

We Are With You

<https://www.wearewithyou.org.uk/>

<https://twitter.com/welinksglasgow>

- Employ 3 Community Links workers linked to local medical practices with one at Kingsway Medical Practice; one at Cairntoul MP; and one at Whiteinch MP/Scotsotun MP

Yoker Community Campus

<https://www.yokercampus.org> and <https://twitter.com/campusyoker>

Yoker Resource Centre

- Yoker Community Care for the Elderly and Disabled project has re-started at the Resource Centre <https://www.facebook.com/groups/573084550761845>

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Hillhead: Rep Anna Dyer

Voluntary Sector Organizations have had the benefit of excellent support from the North West and Central Voluntary Sector Network which covers 8 City Council wards, as its members are mostly front-line organizations delivering badly needed social services throughout the whole area from St George's Cross to Drumchapel. Its activities have continued to grow throughout the Covid 19 period in response to the needs of members and their communities. The member organizations have derived considerable benefit from sharing common problems, mutual support, training and frequent contact which has been most important when almost all have been working remotely. Our member organizations have also provided mutual assistance in helping others who have restarted operations later to create a safe Covid environment.

A substantial number of organizations however are not yet able to operate their services as they were tenants of Glasgow Life premises which have remained closed. Other Network members have given t some space to help them with space for a temporary office and a few activities.

One issue which has arisen in the Firhill/ Woodside neighbourhood not only affects Voluntary sector activity but has led to wider discussions on a broader area of concern in the Partnership Area at the present time. We believe that parking meters in the whole area are to be operational by the beginning of December. Parking fees are charged throughout the whole area until 10pm every evening. Community Central Hall <https://centralhall.org/>

CCH has been informed that it will only receive two parking permits for our 60 staff at the commercial cost of £650. A substantial proportion of their staff have to use their cars in the course of their work since a considerable amount of outreach work is undertaken. Apart from this problem the charges are inequitable for a Community Trust which is a registered charity and not a profit making business. We have over 50 volunteers for whom CCH would have to cover the costs of parking. The rationale for parking charges in the evening to 10pm presumably is to enable residents to be able to park in evening due to the high number of visitors to restaurants, pubs, night clubs etc This is not an issue in Woodside/ Firhill as there is only one pub, the area is bereft of nightlife and businesses and in fact is deserted in her evenings. CCH is the only facility open in the evenings and does depend on both letting for functions and to wide range of activities. Many parts of catchment area have few or in some cases no bus services at night. Many women depend on a car for safe transport.

It should point out that in this area car ownership is extremely low and any new builds have private parking space so residents are not inconvenienced. CCH's costs will be particularly high due to parking costs for nine minibuses which are required for our users.

It would appear there has been no Impact Assessment carried out of the restrictions being introduced. Moreover we are concerned not only for our Partnership but for other areas of the issue of issues regarding women's safety. In our Partnership the issue is particularly relevant as we have a high proportion of University students resident in our area. We do know that the four student bodies of the University do provide advice and support to their members but the increasing risk to their members should be perhaps be of concern also to the Partnership.

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Maryhill : Reps Sharon Bowers/Melanie Farrow

Acre Community Hall <https://en-gb.facebook.com/AcreCommunityHall/>

- Acre Community Hall continue to have community learning in partnership with Glasgow Clyde College.
- They have been working with young people helping with employability and training.
- Achieve more have returned and offer free dance lessons to children over 5-year-old.
- They continue to give out food parcels on a Friday afternoon thanks to Coop food share.
- They were part of Maryhill together working with Maryhill burgh halls and other organisation for the Flag for Maryhill event.
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Maryhill Burgh Halls <https://www.maryhillburghhalls.org.uk/>

- Have reopened to the public with 3 exhibitions : Jos Treen, Jo Sunshine Art and Loving Earth
- Volunteering opportunities, work placements and student projects with three departments of Glasgow University have recommenced
- Maryhill Museum has reopened
- Took part in Doors Open Day festival and hosted part of Glasgow International Festival
- Along with the Maryhill Together network worked with several partners in the local area to launch the Maryhill Flag and host a community gala day, with a spectacular turnout (even when the weather turned to torrential downpours). Outdoor and indoor activities included Outdoor play, police, fire and vintage vehicles, balloon modelling and face painting, musicians, lindy hop dance lessons and performance, various arts workshops (including marbling, crafts and Jo Sunshine), flag ceremony with the kids from Shakespeare Street Youth Club and a piper, local groups with stalls included Maryhill Activity Directory, East Park, North Glasgow Healthy Living Community, The Women's Centre, Save Maryhill Library, Maryhill Housing Association and Tesco Maryhill Extra Community
- Looking forward to working with the Women's Centre and Acre Community Hall on 16 days of action in November

G20 Youth Festival <https://www.facebook.com/G20YouthFestival/>

- G20 still actively promote youth employability and training opportunities.
- They have a wide range of services back on such as boxing and rock climbing and cooking.
- They had a successful fun day in Cadder with lots of fun activities.
- They continue an outdoor food pantry thanks to donations and food share partners.

Maryhill Integration Network <http://www.maryhillintegration.org.uk/>

- Min have started to move back into Maryhill Community Centre.
- The staff are working hybrid, but someone will be in the office most mornings Monday to Friday.
- They have restarted their Gardening Club, ESOL classes and Men's Group.
- They also have a women's group with a monthly creative writing project.
- Numbers are limited of course, and they are continuing a few things online for now or a mix of online and in person.

The Women's Centre <https://www.womenscentreglasgow.org.uk/>

- The woman's centre continue to work in partnership with Glasgow clyde college and currently offer Sewing, computer lessons and health and wellbeing.
- They are looking forward to 16 days of Action from the 25th of November till 11th December and will have a wide range of activities including a pamper day a movie day and swishing they look forward to working with Maryhill burgh halls and Acre community hall over the 16 days.

Louise Nolan Works – Artist in Residence www.facebook.com/LouiseNolanWorks

- Launch of Stage 3 of artist residency: building foundations, connections and networks in the community
- Embedding Stockingfield Bridge Project activities and connecting with local organisations & people through the process
- Also carrying out ongoing journaling and art activities that support mental health and wellbeing via the Mind Yerself project

- Building sustainable long term arts provision to unlock creativity in the area.

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Partick East/Kelvindale: Reps Jane Cowie /Julie Fox

Partick Healthy living Annexe <https://www.facebook.com/annexepartick/>

Annexe Communities full programme of activities can be downloaded from their website. Another very successful round of Participatory Budget lead by Daisy Thomson- new member of Annexe staff- winning votes for broad range of local ideas including guitar lessons, Free Sunday Café, Partick Pluckers music CD for care homes, planter pots for around Partick Library , willow weaving workshops and Hamper of Hope from Dowanvale Church. Next PB opportunity coming up in January 2022. Annexe runs a Step Forward project- previously known as Twinkle Toes- providing a toenail clipping service as NHS Podiatry no longer provide. Local volunteers are needed, spread the word.

Younity Project

hosted Outdoor community events -Wee Partick Picnic in Mansfield PARK and Mini Festival at Thornwood Park. 300 in attendance at each. And a Halloween Party with Diwali activities, for the local children in Mansfield Park planned for the 31st October continuing this time with the Great LED skipping challenge. The Halloween Party did not receive enough votes to be funded by PB but Partick Housing Association stepped in to save the day with £1000 funding and paid for a face painter! More Community calling free phones with a years contract will be available soon through Younity Project with 10 phones given out locally to date.

Partick Housing Association <https://www.partickha.org.uk/> Planning to work with Younity Project with local winter activities including Festive Food boxes again, Winter solstice light parade and boxes of toys for local children working with Partick South Church.

<https://www.facebook.com/PartickCommunityGrowingProject/community>

Secured an Awards for All from Lottery-“Community Led Recovery Activities” - including 40 community tickets for a trip doon the water on the Waverley to help celebrate its 75 anniversary in 2022, 10 monthly bus trips out of Partick, table making and carpet making workshops and tickets for Roller discoing! PCGP now proud owners of a beautiful new beehive! Secured Corra Foundation funding also enabled social activities held outside at the plot including seasonal arts and crafts, silver jewellery, sewing, and Make Away your own curry workshops.

Many thanks for all funding from Ward 23. Much appreciated.

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Victoria Park: New Rep needed

The Whiteinch Centre <https://www.whiteinchcentre.org.uk>

We have returning classes and brand new ones, #training and courses of all kinds, as well as a newly opened café. Our classes include Tai Chi, karate and taekwondo. We're also offering language classes in Spanish or ESOL as well as a number of IT sessions. We are continuing with our community pantry as well as our newly opened Scullery Café is open 4 days a week, selling food and drinks at affordable prices.

Our team has grown since coming out of lockdown. We have a new café manager Roisin, and a team of kitchen staff. We also have new staff helping keep the Centre running, and working on community engagement. The Centre continues to be heavily supported by our amazing volunteers, and we are always looking out for new people to get involved.

We are doing our best to encourage people back into the Centre after such a long time when we had to close our doors. COVID continues to be a challenge for all of us, and we understand that many are still reluctant to return to in person activities. The safety of our community continues to be our top priority and we will always do our best to keep the Centre clean and ventilated, so we can return to as much normality as possible.

Movement Park <http://www.movementpark.org.uk/>

Movement Park ran an Urban Sport camp over the October week holiday which was well attend by young people in the area. Regular weekly activities include Ninja, Parkour, Roller skating, skateboarding, BMX sessions at Glasgow BMX track and lots more. The clubs all teach a wide range of skills, give gradings and collect rewards based on skills and attendance. Recently launched is their first every young volunteers program and currently developing is a community pass project that focusses on promoting inclusivity and access to all activities for young people from G11/12/13/14 areas.

With Movement Park's apprenticeship program is now open, watch out for new job opportunities coming out soon. For full programme and links how to get involved check out the Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/movementpark813>

Crossreach <https://www.crossreach.org.uk/our-locations/whiteinch-move-on-service>

Whiteinch Move On Service is registered as a tenancy support service. We can accommodate 10 individuals at a time. We support people who come to us from rehab or detox services. Our job is support people over approx. 3/9 months to regain / learn new skills in how to manage a tenancy whilst maintaining an abstinent lifestyle. We are a total abstinent service and clients sign a contract on admission agreeing to adhere to our policy.

During their time with us we support them to learn budgeting skills , shopping / cooking skills , maintain a home in a neat , clean tidy condition , pay household bills and learn how to be good neighbours. We also support people to gain educational / volunteering opportunities. We have been working with NWGVSN and have received tablets, recycled PC's and wifi, which has helped our tenants participate in virtual recovery sessions as well as leisure activities.

We support them to get connected into community settings either local to here or the area they plan to get a tenancy in. We work with housing agencies to get them an offer of a tenancy in their chosen areas.



Our goal is to support people into their own homes abstinent of all drugs and alcohol and fully integrated back into the community.

This area prior to Covid was well covered for recovery meetings however most have moved to online. Most of our clients prior to Covid volunteered in Fareshare in South street however over the past year they have not taken any new volunteers on.

Crossreach run a 12 week volunteer training course and at the end they can start volunteering in Crossreach services. We have some ex clients volunteering in Allarton in Broomhill , Rainbow House and we have volunteers in Whiteinch service.

Some of these volunteers are now fully employed in Crossreach services. 2 of my current colleagues are ex-service users / volunteers.

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