

### #GlasgowCommunities

# PEOPLE MAKE GLASGOW COMMUNITIES

#### Welcome to our People Make Glasgow Communities newsletter!

As part of a range of community initiatives, our mission is to empower communities to have a much greater influence over the decisions that affect their local community and to meet the changing needs of neighbourhoods. People Make Glasgow Communities (PMGC) is providing the opportunity (for local groups and organisations) to become more involved in the venues and services that are relied on in local communities across Glasgow.

PMGC seeks to foster involvement that supports the use of the City's underused assets. We want to explore opporunities that reactivate under-used venues for the benefit of local communities and provide opportunities for local groups to take a greater level of control over service delivery.

Since our establishment in February, PMGC has received lots of interest from people and organisations who want to play an active role in the running of services or management of local venues, buildings or facilities in their own communities.

At present, Glasgow City Council has received 388 expressions of interest. 160 of these enquiries were interested in venues managed by Glasgow Life; 78 were interested in Glasgow City Council owned assets; 4 were interested in buildings, venues or facilities owned by City Property Glasgow; and 146 were generic property enquiries. Most Glasgow Life venue enquiries were for sports venues, followed by community venues. Of the enquiries received for Glasgow City Council venues, a large percentage were for parks, heritage or

education venues.

For a more detailed summary see the 'Overview of current expressions of interest received' section of our webpage

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In terms of progress, most of our active enquiries are at the initial assessment stage. A smaller number are further along in the process and are sitting at the engagement stage. You can find details of the process on our webpage.

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## **Current Proposals**



On completion of initial assessment of a proposal for a specific venue, the proposal is added to our webpage and a date is set before which any alternative proposals should be submitted. After this date we will not consider any new proposals until the application matures or comes to an end.

You can view a list of our current projects on our webpage using the button below. The webpage includes information on the process and the stage or progress made.

We update our webpage regulary and each time a proposal moves from the Initial Assessment Phase to the Engagement Phase for a specific venue.

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## **Good News Stories**

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#### **Baillieston Community Hub**

Work is currently underway on developing the proposals for the new proposed Baillieston Community Hub. The plans are based on the views of stakeholders and previous community consultations, as well as ensuring a long-term sustainable future for the Hub. In October, we will be engaging with the local community to obtain input into the proposals.

#### **Elder Park**

Elderpark Library is currently being transformed into a Library & Community Centre. The project is being undertaken in partnership with Elderpark Housing Association. It will secure the future of this A-listed building, improve accessibility and create more community spaces and a café to enable the delivery of more services from this new Community Hub. The building is scheduled to re-open next year.



#### Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector (GCVS) support

GCVS is the main development agency and advocate for voluntary and community organisations in Glasgow. They provide organisations with development support, advice, <a href="resources">resources</a>, and a free quarterly <a href="training">training</a> <a href="programme">programme</a>. This support covers a number of areas from <a href="funding">funding</a> and <a href="maining/events">managing staff</a> to <a href="governance">governance</a> and <a href="maining/events">training/events</a>. Alternatively, you can take a look at the new GCVS Sector Development Brochure <a href="maining-events">here</a>.

## Funding and training opportunities: Scottish Government's Community and Renewable Energy Scheme (CARES)

Grant funding (minimum £5,000) is available to decarbonise community buildings that are owned or leased by charitable community organisations and faith groups. Funding and advice is available to install low carbon or renewable energy systems in community hubs, cafes and halls. CARES can fund up to 100% of eligible project costs through grants and loans. This funding call will operate on a first-come basis. The fund will close on 30 September, or earlier depending on demand. We want to build stronger, more resilient, fairer and healthier communities, which meet social, climate and economic equity requirements, and we want to do this together, with the input of those directly and indirectly involved.

Click to Visit the CARES Website

#### **Asset Transfer National Event for Community Organisations**

On Tuesday 5th October from 12:30-4:00pm, the Scottish Government are hosting an online national event for community groups who have an interest in community asset transfer. You might be considering an asset transfer request; have been through the process to take on a community asset; or are just interested in learning more about asset transfer. They hope to be joined by Tom Arthur MSP, Minister for Public Finance, Planning, and Community Wealth for part of the event; and the event will also include presentations from those involved in asset transfers, and a chance for you to interact and discuss experiences. You can join the event through Microsoft Teams via the button below.

**Click to Join the Teams Event** 

To keep up to date with People Make Glasgow Communities please visit our webpage. There you will find up to date progress on venues in your local area and information on and help with the PMGC process.

Thank you for your support, The People Make Glasgow Communities team

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