

Loirston Annexe Update



Transition and Improvements

As you're aware, Loirston Annexe has been going through some changes this year transitioning from a City Council run community centre into being community lead. This change clearly wasn't as simple as we'd hoped but we're still making steps in the right direction, albeit small ones.

The car park was recently improved, and significantly at that. Gone are the dangerous ruts at the entrance gate; gone are the huge potholes throughout the main car park. What we have now is a smooth, safe surface which not only prevents damage to car users but most importantly prevents the likelihood of any personal injuries, especially now the dark nights have drawn in.

Next on the agenda is the full upgrade of the toilet facilities including the creation of Loirston Annexe's first disabled toilet facility the funding for which is once again coming from Aberdeen City Council. Dates have yet to be confirmed for these improvements but rest assured that they are in hand.

Between these two improvements alone, Loirston Annexe has become more user friendly but we're happy to receive any additional suggestions from you.

Classes and Services

A full centre programme is listed separately and we are delighted to welcome Cove Church who now also have their own notice board within the Annexe to keep you updated.

We will also have a new form of

martial arts starting in around February but if there are any additional classes you'd like to see being held, please contact a member of the Management Committee.

Thanks

I'd like to pass on my personal thanks to the members of the Management Committee who meet once a month (sometimes for hours on end!) to ensure that the Annexe has remained open for business this year. You have given up your time, on occasion gone above and beyond what has been required and your input has been invaluable.

However, as happens, we have lost some volunteers from the Management Committee this year putting more pressure on existing volunteers so we'd really like some new members to step forward. Remember, if you're a user of the community centre, you have a vested interest. Without a Management Committee the centre is still at threat of closure so please consider joining the Management Committee to work towards ensuring this doesn't happen.

And finally, we'd like to wish all our centre users, partners, colleagues and the community a very Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year!

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