

Anniesland Court Silver Deal Open Day

Great Western Tenant Partnership (GWTP) celebrated a £30 000 refurbishment of the Anniesland Court Community facility with an open day on Friday 22nd August 08.

Thanks to Glasgow Housing Association (GHA), the Anniesland Court community facility, located below the multi storey flats at Anniesland Court now boasts a new office space, kitchen, heating system, disabled toilet, soft furnishings and décor.

The centre has always been very popular with the tenants who live in the area, most of whom are elderly. The major transformation to the centre was completed at the end of March this year and the local pensioners club will now use the modernised facility for dances on Valentines Day and Halloween.

The open day to launch the centre's refurbishment ran from 11am to 3pm and was funded by GHA's Neighbourhood Renewal Team. Bill McFadyen, who recently stepped down as Chairperson of GWTP after his five-year term, performed the official opening. Bill has been actively involved in the area for many years and he revealed a plaque commemorating the refurbishment and re-opening of the facility.

On the day tenants enjoyed taking part in Silver Deal Active activities, designed especially for older people, such as Armchair Aerobics, Tai Chi and other Social Activities.

A number of partner organisations such as Glasgow Gold, Handyperson Service, Glasgow Credit Union, Glasgow West Regeneration Agency, The Three Eyes Project, Prince's Royal Trust for Carers and the local Elderly Forum attended the day to give customers the opportunity to learn more about their services.

Colin Walker, Estate Co-ordinator at GWTP said "After years of high demand use by tenants, the facility was in need of a facelift. Tenant empowerment is very important to us that's why we have listened carefully to what our tenants wanted and have now created a modern facility, introducing a breath of fresh air and a new lease of life for everyone to enjoy"

Margaret McGrow, who sits on the Management Committee at GWTP and is also the Secretary of Anniesland Court Residents Association said: "we worked with the staff team at GWTP, Anniesland Court Residents Association and the contractors on every aspect of the refurbishment – the kitchen type, work surfaces, layout and design and décor, we can offer more classes and activities to keep residents happy, fit and healthy.

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