

Newsletter Spring 2018

Welcome to the latest Blackhall Community Trust Newsletter. We have made real progress on our ambitions of creating a community hub for our area and would like to bring you up to date and invite you to have your say in the next exciting phase of development. Our AGM will be held on **Tuesday 6th March at 7.30pm** at St. Columba's Church hall - everyone from the community is invited.



Public Consultation on designs for Community Hub

As previous newsletters have outlined, we are exploring the redevelopment of Ravelston Park Pavilion (currently home to Blackhall Nursery) to address the community needs identified in our consultation during 2016/2017. The brief is to create a community hub for all ages and a fit-for-purpose space for community-run Blackhall Nursery.

We were recently awarded a grant by the Scottish Land Fund of c. £15,000 to produce a business plan and feasibility study of design options for the Park Pavilion. This is part of exploring a possible transfer of ownership (or a long lease) of Ravelston Park Pavilion from the City of Edinburgh Council to Blackhall Community Trust, on behalf of the Blackhall community. After a competitive tendering process, we appointed Caskie & Co (business planning) and Malcolm Fraser Architects (design options).

We now have 4 preliminary designs to share as part of the community consultation. You can view these and provide feedback in the following ways:

- **AGM-Tues 6 March, 7.30pm:** Plans will be presented by the architect with the opportunity for questions and feedback.
- **Blackhall Library- 27 Feb - 6 March:** Plans will be on display with feedback forms available.
- **Blackhall Primary School- Wed 28 Feb, 6.45-8.15pm:** Plans will be on display with the opportunity for feedback & questions.
- **Online at www.blackhallcommunitytrust.org.uk** from late February/early March

Blackhall Nursery Open Doors Evening

Are you thinking about a place at Blackhall Nursery for your child? Or have you always wondered what the Park Pavilion looks like inside? Come along to the Nursery's Open Doors Event on Wed 21st February, 7.30pm
www.blackhallnursery.co.uk



What's On

Everyone from the community is very welcome to come along to our regular clubs/socials:

- The BCT Book club meets in Ravelston Park Pavilion on the first Thursday of every month.
- The BCT walking group meets for monthly walks.
- Our next coffee morning at Cloudberry for those who are new to the area or who would like to feel more connected to the community is on Thursday 22 March 10-11.30am.

For more information or to suggest a new group or social event email us on blackhallcommunitytrust@gmail.com

How can you help?

- Become a member of Blackhall Community Trust by filling out an application form (overleaf).
- Join our e-mail/ mailing list to receive occasional newsletter updates and notice of meetings by contacting us at any of the details below.
- Follow us on  Facebook (@blackhallcdt) or  Twitter (@BlackhallCT).

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