

# DIRECTIONS

## Compass Project Newsletter



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### Site Safety & Security

- **Walkers onsite:** Please keep to the perimeter of the lower field and avoid the cordoned off steps by using the main driveway when passing through the site.
- **Police Dog Training:** Police dogs continue to train onsite.
- **Dog Walkers:** Please take your dog waste away with you as the bin at the top of the site has now been removed.
- **How to help:** We are grateful to the local community for keeping watch when they are in the area and reporting anything suspicious to us. Please keep up the good work!

### Buildings & Utilities

- **Energy Efficiency Survey:** With ongoing support from Zero Waste Scotland, we are exploring a range of solutions for sustainable heating with renewable electricity in the sports hall.
- **Drainage:** Following a survey of our drains system we are looking to address surface drainage across the site to reduce flooding on the paths and steps.
- **Working indoors:** Following surveys and the easing of restrictions around COVID-19, we are now able to safely begin working with volunteers indoors (with appropriate safety measures) to start the clearance of spaces ready for refurbishment works.
- **Sports Hall:** Work continues to prepare for upgrades in the hall with some essential safety checks now complete. Plans for renovation are underway to make it ready for opening in September.
- **How to help:** Anyone wishing to note an interest in renting indoor space at Compass for purposes related to health / sustainability are encouraged to get in touch with us as soon as possible.



### Outdoor Spaces

- **Tree management:** We have now completed all the recommended tree maintenance onsite thanks to the help from our brilliant volunteers.
- **Composting:** We have now established several composting heaps on site. These will produce compost for our no-dig gardening.
- **Clear ups:** We had another very successful day on Saturday 17th April with **20 volunteers** working onsite. We tidied the banks of brambles and fallen branches, pruned shrubs and cut back branches overhanging the driveway to improve vehicle access.



With the warmer weather we are now holding **clear up events fortnightly on a Saturday** - sign up for the next one on **1st May!**



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### Outdoor Spaces contd.

- **Southern Field Lease:** We are finalising negotiations with Aberdeen City Council to use the lower field for Compass and will soon begin maintenance work on this area. We hope to introduce an outdoor sports circuit around the perimeter and are exploring the potential for allotment spaces.
- **Onsite resources:** As the onsite clear-up continues, we have generated a variety of resources including several wood piles. These will all be **utilised onsite** by the Compass project.

### Volunteers

- **Local support:** Volunteers have given an amazing **1125 hours** of their time to Compass - a big thank-you to everyone involved! Recent onsite days have included complimentary [Weleda](#) samples and [Deeside Water](#) to keep everyone feeling refreshed.
- **Volunteering opportunities:** Alongside our regular Saturday clear-up events, we welcome volunteers **throughout the week too!** If you are able to lend a hand for a couple of hours, please get in touch by email: [compass@cwt.scot](mailto:compass@cwt.scot). Andrew Phethean, our project co-ordinator, will arrange a suitable time between Monday and Friday for some onsite work.
- **Volunteer feedback:** We are keen to hear how our volunteers have found their experience at Compass. If you have volunteered with us, please use our [online feedback form](#) to share your thoughts. Caroline, a recent volunteer on the project shared what she has enjoyed: *"Being out in the fresh air with others, seeing changes happening and feeling like I was part of a bigger process"*.
- **Register your interest online:** Volunteers can use our online form to sign up as a volunteer. Visit [www.camphillwellbeing.org.uk/compass](http://www.camphillwellbeing.org.uk/compass) or just click on the green button to the right!



Sign up as a  
Volunteer!

### Fundraising

Phase 1: to end March 2021 | Current amount raised: **£101,928** | Target: **£200,000**

- **Fundraising applications:** We recently submitted applications for funding towards the sports hall renovations and equipment for our outdoor projects. Keep your fingers crossed for a successful outcome!
- **Coins for Compass:** If 500 people donated **just £10** each, the project would be another **£5000** towards its target! You can **donate online** through our [campaign page](#) or cheque donations can be sent to: Compass Project, Camphill Wellbeing Trust, St Devenicks, Murtle Estate, Bieldside, Aberdeen, AB15 9EN.
- **Local Business support:** If you know of any businesses who might be interested in the project's aims and sustainability ethos, please invite them to get in touch on: [compass@cwt.scot](mailto:compass@cwt.scot)
- **Next steps:** If you, or anyone you know have fundraising ideas for the Compass project, we would be happy to hear from you.



Donate now!



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### PR

- **Website:** Find the latest updates at [www.camphillwellbeing.org.uk/compass](http://www.camphillwellbeing.org.uk/compass) including our **Photo Gallery**.
- **Facebook page:** Follow us here: [www.facebook.com/CWTCompass](https://www.facebook.com/CWTCompass)
- **Press & Media:** The first article was published in the P&J today, Thursday 22nd April 2021. You can view the online edition here: [www.pressandjournal.co.uk/fp/news/aberdeen/3071584/aberdeen-waldorf-school-camphill-5m-refurbishment/](http://www.pressandjournal.co.uk/fp/news/aberdeen/3071584/aberdeen-waldorf-school-camphill-5m-refurbishment/)
- **Next steps:** We are always interested in opportunities to raise the profile of the project. If you or any contacts you have would like to get involved, please let us know.



## Upcoming Events

- **We are holding fortnightly volunteer events** now that Spring weather is in full sway. Drop us a note if you are planning to come along. The upcoming dates are:

**Saturday 1st May 2021: 9.30am – 5pm**

**Saturday 15th May 2021: 9.30am – 5pm**

**Saturday 29th May 2021: 9.30am – 5pm**



Find further dates on our website and Facebook page. Events will be in line with current COVID guidelines and if you can't make a Saturday, our Project Coordinator is always happy to facilitate individuals onsite during the week. Just get in touch: [compass@cwt.scot](mailto:compass@cwt.scot)

- Sign up as a volunteer using our [online form](#) to receive email reminders of upcoming events and future dates!

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