

# DIRECTIONS

## Compass Project Newsletter



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### Funding Success for Compass!

We are absolutely delighted to share some of the incredible support Compass is receiving. Thanks to the number of funders interested in the project, our 2022 developments are now possible. Watch this space!

**The National Lottery (TNL) Community-Led Fund: £150,000** across three years to cover an Outdoor Areas Manager post, a Social Enterprise Manager and support towards the Zero-Waste kitchen development.

**The Scottish Government's Community and Renewable Energy Scheme (CARES) Local Energy Scotland 'Let's do net-zero': £74,500** to support the installation of sustainable heating in the multi-purpose hall.

**ACVO Communities Mental Health & Wellbeing Fund / Scottish Government: £34,350** to cover dry stone walling training, an accessible toilet, social prescribing coordinator post, polytunnel and more!

**TNL Together for our Planet: £10,000** to assist with the purchase of a composting toilet, shed and gardening equipment.

**Green Action Trust (GAT) and Central Scotland Green Network (CSGN) Growing Food Together Fund: £5000** towards the purchase of a composting toilet, shed and gardening equipment.

**ACHCP NHS Food in Focus: £500** to help us purchase 10 fruit trees and 10 fruit bushes for the community garden.



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The interest that Compass has generated confirms the **exciting potential** of such a project delivering a **sustainable initiative** supporting **health and wellbeing of the local community**. The funding will promote a **wide range of new volunteering opportunities** as we continue to drive the project forward.

### Help shape Compass!

With so many exciting developments, we are keen to engage the local community. We are currently inviting you to **complete our questionnaire** and share your thoughts on how you see the project becoming part of the opportunities Aberdeen City offers. You can download the questionnaire from our website:

[www.camphillwellbeing.org.uk/compass](http://www.camphillwellbeing.org.uk/compass) or email us for a copy: [compass@cwt.scot](mailto:compass@cwt.scot)

We are also forming a **Steering Group** through which our volunteers can help Compass continue to move in the right direction. Interested? Let us know by email!



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### Buildings

- **Multi-Purpose Hall:** Plans have progressed for multi-user access to this building with sustainable heating & lighting due to be installed from Spring 2022 onwards, and we aim to open in Aug 2022.
- **Kindergarten / Science Block:** Plans to refurbish these buildings and develop into an enterprise / early years / volunteer hub are underway with MAC Architects.
- **Interested in renting indoor space?** Note your **interest in renting indoor space** at Compass for purposes related to health / sustainability by emailing us: [compass@cwt.scot](mailto:compass@cwt.scot).

### Outdoor Spaces

- **Firewood:** Limited **seasoned firewood** is available on a donation basis from trees felled onsite. Suggested minimum donation of **£7.50** for **1 unit** (approx. 12kg or 1/3 of a wheelbarrow) Get in touch with our project coordinator to organise collection: [compass@cwt.scot](mailto:compass@cwt.scot) – firewood is available on a **first-come, first-served basis**.
- **Composting Toilet:** With funding secured for the installation of a composting toilet, we are currently researching the best design for the space we have.
- **Lower Field lease:** No further update.



### Learn how to repair a dry stone wall at Compass

#### 2022 Dry Stone Walling Workshops | Register your interest now!

With funding secured to deliver training on dry stone walling, we will be looking to start workshops with an experienced dyker to restore the beautiful boundary walls around Compass in Spring 2022. [Register your interest by email!](#)

### Site Safety & Security

- **Public core path:** Please continue to follow the public core path when passing through the site. **Areas are fenced off for your safety. Please do not breach or move any of the fences/barriers.**
- **Dog walkers:** Please take **all dog waste away with you** - we do **not** have dog waste facilities onsite.
- **How to help:** Please keep watch if you are in the local area and continue to report anything suspicious to us - it's a great help!

### Volunteers

- **Local support:** We've now reached an incredible **2235 hours** of time donated to the project from **157 volunteers** - a big thank-you to all!
- **Volunteer days:**  
**Week Days:** Come along on a **Wednesday afternoon, 1pm - 4pm**. We have a range of tasks inside and out across the site. Drop us an email: [compass@cwt.scot](mailto:compass@cwt.scot) to let us know you are coming and bring a mask, gloves and wear sturdy footwear.

**Saturdays:** Sign up for the next event on **Saturday 19th February 2022** and learn more about the project in our new '**Focus on Compass**' talks during breaktime!

- **Become a volunteer:** use our online form to sign up as a Compass volunteer. Visit [www.camphillwellbeing.org.uk/compass](http://www.camphillwellbeing.org.uk/compass) or just click on the green button!



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### Fundraising

**Phase 1: achieved £200,000**

**Phase 2: ends September 2023 | Current amount raised: £380,003 | Target: £800,000**

- **Phase 2 Funding:** Our next fundraising goal is to raise **£800,000** by September 2023. We have **raised £380,003\*** so far thanks to the support of grants and an anonymous donor. [*\*not including TNL's £150,000 over three years grant*]



**Donate now!**

- **Can you help?** If 500 people donated **just £10** each, the project would be another **£5000** towards the goal! You can **donate online** through our brand new [campaign page](#) or cheque donations can be sent to: Compass Project, Camphill Wellbeing Trust, St Devenicks, Murtle Estate, Bieldside, Aberdeen, AB15 9EN.
- **Fundraising Initiatives:** The Plant a Tree for Compass initiative, plant and firewood sales plus Produce Pop-Ups have **raised over £744.12** so far. Thanks to all who have supported our fundraising.
- **Support us when you shop at the Co-op!** Remember to **choose Compass** as your **Co-op cause** to help raise money for a **shed with composting toilet** for our **therapeutic gardening project** and **volunteers**. **Find out how much we've raised and how to support us through Co-op purchases here:** <https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/61982>



### PR

- **Website:** Find the latest updates at [www.camphillwellbeing.org.uk/compass](http://www.camphillwellbeing.org.uk/compass) including our **Photo & Video Gallery**.
- **Facebook page:** Follow us here: [www.facebook.com/CWTCompass](https://www.facebook.com/CWTCompass)
- **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

- **Our next volunteer event is: Saturday 19th February 2022: 9.30am - 4pm** We have **toilet facilities** and **indoor shelter** for volunteers along with a range of indoor activities should the weather be unsuitable for outdoor work.

Remember to **bring cash** if you'd like to take home any **local produce**; we are expecting to have over-wintered leeks available on a donation basis.

**Focus on Compass:** Learn more about the project and its developments during our break-time at around 11am on Saturday. Free **Weleda body care samples** and **Deeside Water** will also be available to keep our volunteers refreshed.

Events are in line with current COVID guidelines. 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!



**Sign up as a Volunteer!**

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