



Pulteneytown People's Project

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Youth Activities in Pulteney Centre

There will be lots of fun and exciting activities for local youths to take part in when Pulteney Centre opens to the public on January 23.

To start the week off there will be a Monday night music and drama group running from 7.30pm - 10pm. This group will be perfect for getting to know other people with similar interests and building up confidence and skills in everything related to music and drama. The group will be supervised by qualified instructors Darren Coghill and Maura Szyfelbain who will be on hand to ensure everyone has a fun time.

For youths with a more sporting interest there will be Tuesday night football practice taken by Elgin City player Craig Gunn and Wick Academy player Stevie Cunningham. There will be two different groups on Tuesday night; pupils in primary 5, 6 and 7 can come along from 7.30 - 8.30pm, which will cost £1. Pupils in 1st, 2nd and 3rd year of secondary school start training from 8.30 - 10.00pm, which is priced at £2 for the session. Craig and Stevie will be putting the youths through their paces and teaching them all the professional tricks and tips they will need to really make a difference to everyone's football skills.

Pulteney Centre has a youth membership system where, for a small monthly fee, youths can become a member, receive their card and then gain access to the youth room and other facilities. The youth card will let you come along to the activities on Thursday nights which include everything from playing with friends on games consoles, the use of laptops, pool, table tennis or to simply relax with friends. Thursday nights will be perfect for socialising and meeting new people in the area.



Anyone who is interested in finding out more about the youth features of Pulteney Centre can contact the PPP offices on 01955 606950 to find out more.

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Newsletter - December 2011



In this December edition of the Pulteneytown People's Project newsletter we will be detailing all about Pulteney Centre and what it can offer you and your family. Pulteney Centre will be open to the whole community so come along and see what different groups you can join or facilities you can use.

Pulteney Centre is in the final stages of construction now and it won't be long until the public can get their first chance to enjoy all the different facilities on offer.

Construction on Pulteney Centre has been progressing at a tremendous rate and this is never more evident than looking at it from outside. The car park has been completed and a bike rack added to the side to allow people cycling to the Centre somewhere safe to leave their bike.

Inside the building there is even more happening as the children's soft play area has now been installed, ready for lots of excited children to take full advantage of it. The elevator has also been installed which will provide access from the main foyer to the first floor and the retractable bleacher seating in the multi-functional hall is now fully operational.

Around the building the finished banisters and balustrades help to complete the overall look of Pulteney Centre and with all the lighting now installed and shining brightly there is a very welcoming atmosphere. One of the final pieces still to be placed is the reception desk which is due to arrive within the next week.

Apart from the actual building a lot of time is being spent advertising and interviewing for new positions within Pulteney Centre. The Chef for the restaurant/bistro has been appointed as Donald 'Dillan' Munro, and Kayleigh O'Connor and Lisa McKellar have also been given positions as childcare workers. Interviews are soon to be held for kitchen staff and front of house staff while we have been advertising for the final position needing to be filled - a receptionist/administration worker.

All staff are looking forward to moving into Pulteney Centre and welcoming the public on January 23 when the Centre opens to the public.



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Friend us on Facebook: [PulteneyProject Wick](#)

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RSS Feed to our website: www.pulteneytownpeoplesproject.org.uk/rss.xml

The Pulteneytown People's Project website is updated daily with news, pictures and information on future events.

www.pulteneytownpeoplesproject.org.uk/index.html

There is a news page, information on all our projects and biographies on the PPP Directors.



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What Pulteney Centre Will Bring to the Community

Pulteney Centre will be a 'one-stop-shop' for the community's needs, offering a unique package of social groups, training and facility hiring opportunities all within the same building.

The large function room will be available to hire for a variety of different purposes such as:

- Birthday parties
- Small wedding parties
- Children's themed parties with full use of the soft play area and other fun activities such as face painting
- Business meetings and community meetings

The multi-purpose hall will also be available for hire for a wide use of needs, including:

- Use as a sports hall for games of five-a-side football, badminton and lots of other sports
- A venue for conferences or large meetings
- Perfect for community events or special occasions
- All with full use of the changing rooms, showers and other facilities

As well as all this Pulteney Centre will be offering:

- A band practice room
- Youth drop-in
- Restaurant/bistro offering good quality food and refreshments for families
- Cinema facilities
- And lots of classes and groups you can find out about in this newsletter

Pulteney Centre will open up a range of possibilities for people and businesses in the local community and the wider area. Please feel free to come to the Centre when it opens on January 23 for more information on what we can provide or give us a call on 01955 606950.

An Interview with Pulteney Centre's New Chef

Pulteney Centre will bring a new high quality and friendly restaurant/bistro to Wick which will be perfect for a hearty breakfast, a quick snack at lunch time or a more substantial meal towards dinner.

Able to seat approximately 50 people, the restaurant/bistro will be open to everyone.

Local chef Donald 'Dillan' Munro was recently appointed to run the kitchen and he has big plans for what the restaurant/bistro will provide.

"I plan on serving lots of different meals which everyone should enjoy but also looking towards good home baking with some special meals each day such as pasta dishes," Dillan commented. "I'm aiming to use as much local produce as possible to really give it a fresh, Caithness taste."

"I'm currently working on the menu and adding in some extra dishes each day to keep what people can order interesting."

Dillan has been a chef for 12 years and worked in Wick restaurants MacKays Hotel and the Portland Arms as well as working further afield in Ulbster Arms Hotel, Halkirk and Three Chimneys in Skye. He is looking forward to the possibilities working in Pulteney Centre's restaurant/bistro will bring and is sure people will enjoy the food.

"With freshly home cooked meals and good, friendly service from staff I hope people will see the value they are getting and keep coming back."

The restaurant/bistro, situated on the ground floor, will be ideal for families as well due to the nearby children's soft play which has a viewing window where parents can keep a close eye on their children as they play with friends and childcare staff.



Pulteney Centre Classes

When Pulteney Centre opens to the public on January 23 there will be plenty of new classes and groups to join, running both during the day and evening.

Why not make it your New Year's Resolution to try something different this year with one of the following, all held in Pulteney Centre.

Free courses funded by the Highland Council (Computing Courses funded by Citizens Online)

Monday

- **Jewellery Making:** 10.30-12.30pm. A fun course where learners can make bracelets and necklaces using various clays, metals and gems.
- **Art Studies:** 6.30-8.30pm. Suitable for anyone who is interested in art. A variety of materials will be used during the course.
- **Professional Cookery:** 7-9pm. This course covers food preparation and cooking using a wide range of foods and cooking methods. Ideal for anyone wishing to advance their skills and knowledge.
- **Floral Art:** 7.30-9.30pm. This course aims to give a variety of techniques from simple verticals and curves to Japanese, modern, artificial flower making and then more substantial displays as we move towards Easter.

Tuesday

- **Basic Computing (Funded by Citizens Online):** 7-9pm. This is suitable for anyone with little or no computer knowledge. Come along and learn how to use the Internet, send emails, use Facebook and Skype, upload photos and do basic editing.

Thursday

- **Basic Computing (Funded by Citizens Online):** 11.30-1.30pm. (Same as Tuesday)
- **Spanish for beginners:** 7-9pm. Interested in learning a new language? This course will teach learners the basics of Spanish.
- **Cooking for Beginners:** 7-9pm. Perfect for those willing to make a first start in the kitchen, the aim of this course is to equip people with the skills needed to cook nutritious, affordable meals.

Classes with dates not yet arranged - **Cooking for Men:** Ideally suited for men who would like to learn new skills to boost their confidence in the kitchen. This course will teach learners how to prepare and cook a range of everyday foods.

Courses which will be charged to attend

- **PC Passport:** Monday 7-9pm and Wednesday 2-4pm. Ideal for anyone looking to gain a recognised computer qualification at Intermediate 1 or 2 or for employers looking to improve their employees computing skills. The course covers Internet, Email, Online Communications, Word Processing, Presentations and Spreadsheets. People can choose to do single units or the full course. ILA funding can be claimed to pay for this qualification.
- **Textiles:** Tuesday 7-9pm and Thursday 7-9pm. Create wall hangings, mosaics, silk vases and felt making. Learners pay for the course and material costs.
- **Drawing and Painting Studies:** Friday 2-4pm. Ideal for anyone who is interested in drawing and painting. Learners can bring along their own materials and receive tutoring.

To book a place on any of these courses or to find out more information please contact PPP on 01955 606950 or email p-p-p@btconnect.com.

