Tenant Participation Update Summer 2024



Welcome

Welcome to the latest TP update. Its purpose is to keep our Tenant & Resident Associations (TRAs), interested tenants, Scrutiny Panel members, Sheltered Forum members, Council staff and Elected Members up to date with TP events and developments

What's new in TP?

New Staff Member



Jennifer McKechnie was welcomed to the team in May and has replaced Ana Deevy. Jennifer's role within the team is to promote the Tenant Priority Budget, support existing TRAs and encourage tenants to become involved in a way they are comfortable with. If you need to contact Jennifer, her number is 07823664247 and her email is jennifer.mckechnie@westdunbarton.gov.uk

Tenant Priority Budget

The Tenant Priority Budget is part of the Housing Revenue Account that all tenants' rent and HB/UC is paid into. The Tenant Priority Budget has been delivering neighbourhood improvements for a number of years. Current proposals include a community garden at Manse Gardens and laundries for Littleholm and Kilbowie Court MSFs.



Any tenant can make a proposal. The online form is available on the council's website. You can also email tenant.participation@west-dunbarton.gov.uk, or phone Jennifer on 07823664247 with any questions or if you need advice on your proposal or if you'd like a paper copy of the form.

Tenant Event Day - Making a Difference

Our 'Making a Difference' event took place on Saturday 1 June at Clydebank Town Hall 2-5pm and we got some really good feedback from attendees. Representatives from TRAs, WDTRO, the Sheltered Housing Forum and Scrutiny Panel all attended, and the focus was on the difference groups have made over the last year and to share what they were doing to increase their numbers.



Elaine Neeson from Westbridgend talked about the clothing bank and weekly coffee mornings that she had started and Harry McCormack from Tullichewan spoke about their activities and success of their walkabouts.

We also did a critical review of the current TP Strategy and had speakers from AICO the company installing the new dampness and air quality sensors.

To celebrate the achievements of tenants, WDTRO members were given Tenant Champion awards for their ongoing work and Elaine Neeson was given a Best Community Initiative award. CCG also donated £200 in shopping vouchers which 4 lucky attendees shared.



Staff and tenants are encouraged to use the Housing News which gets delivered to all tenants-share your news or let us know if there is information you would like to see included.

Ways tenants can get involved

- TRAs
- Walkabouts
- WDTRO Liason meetings
- Housing News
- Completing surveys
- Sheltered Housing Forum
- Attending Events
- Scrutiny panel



