

## Glenurquhart Care Housing Project Urgent Funding Appeal

GCP is appealing for donations to help close the funding gap to start the construction of these houses over the rest of the summer. These houses will be owned and managed by The Glenurquhart Care Project and will be allocated to people from our community. The GCP housing project has made massive progress over the past few weeks with the following funding confirmed:

- £794,000 from the Scottish Government Rural Housing Fund Grant
- £100,000 from SSE Highland Sustainable Development Fund Grant
- £100,000 from the Wolfson Foundation

Additionally Social Investment Scotland (a charity investment bank) have approved a loan for up to £485,000. This leaves the project just a few thousand short of the required budget of £1.5m and so we are, going to launch a GCP Just Giving Page to allow people to donate to the project.

We would be most grateful for any donations to this fantastic cause and if you do not want to wait for the Just Giving Page, or just don't want to donate in that way, please either:

- Send or call in with a cheque to the Glenurquhart Centre and make sure it is clear that it is for the housing project. Please indicate if you wish this donation to be Gift Aided
- Make a payment direct to the Glenurquhart Centre account and include the reference "Housing" using the following account:

Caf Bank
Account Name: Glenurquhart Care Project
Account No: 00006910
Sort Code: 40-52-40

The following provides a description of the houses.

## House Specification and overview

The following provides a brief overview of the housing being built by Glenurquhart Care Project next to the Glenurquhart Centre.

12 houses

- 4 blocks of 3 in each around a central courtyard area with parking
- Each house in the block will have a different colour of cladding to help differentiate the houses from each other
- House designed to be adapted around the person as their needs change
- All designed to be wheelchair accessible with room for a mobility scooter in the front porch with a charging point
- 2 bedrooms so room for carer or visiting relatives
- Access from bedroom to bathroom
- Shower room
- Double doors between the kitchen and lounge so the light can shone all the way through or the areas can be closed off
- Highly insulated to reduce heating costs with a heat recovery system which recirculates warm air
- Small back gardens
- Road access is via Coiltie Crescent no access to the wider development from this area
- Path to the new shop and then over to the doctor's surgery as the rest of the site develops

## **Housing Allocation**

- Houses will be owned by Glenurquhart Care Project (community owned)
- They will all be for rent at social housing rent levels (about £85/week)
- Allocations will be done according to the agreed allocations policy and scoring systems (for people living in Glenurquhart and area of benefit for the charity)
- If you are interested please contact Susan Clark who will take your details and put you on our waiting list

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## **Timescales**

Due to funding, we anticipate that the houses will be ready in early 2019. We will start the allocations process in Autumn 2018 so that those being allocated a house know about this well in advance.

