

In Focus

The newsletter of BCM (Belfast Central Mission)

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COPELANDS UPDATE

Following a suspension of work on the site (due to the pandemic), we are delighted that it's all go again but with a few necessary changes. As we go to print, social distancing is still in place which has meant a reduced number of people on site. Thankfully, difficulties with accessing some supplies is easing and good progress is once again being made.

As can be seen from these recent images, the building is coming together well with the aesthetics now being addressed. The painters are in and the joiners are starting to look at the fit-out. The gas supply is going in over the next few weeks and plans for the landscaping have been confirmed. The interior design of the whole building has also been confirmed and you can get a feel for what it will look like from the images of the Mood Boards (overleaf).



Roof top terrace with a view out to sea



Covered walkway on the roof top terrace linking two of the wings and giving access to the terrace.





Away from the site, work is ongoing to prepare for the eventual opening, which is currently planned for early 2021. Recruitment for staff will now commence later in the year while those who have expressed an interest in residency (either for themselves or for a loved one) are being kept up to date with developments. We are also working on a new brochure and website while others are putting together induction packs for staff and other required official documentation.

Fundraising continues in order to cover the costs of the internal fixtures and fittings and a huge thanks is due to those who have already donated, whether in the very early days of our fundraising campaign or right up to recent weeks. It has all been vital to the fulfilment of the vision and each donation, of whatever amount, will have contributed to the final outcome. To find out more about how you can still help, please see overleaf.



- Care in the community for young people and families
- Short breaks for older people
- Residential care for older people
- Housing support services for young people and for older people
- Support services for care leavers
- Advice & support for people in need
- · Christmas support programme

EXAMPLES OF HOW YOU CAN HELP

Below is just a small selection of the items which we need your help with. Even a small contribution towards them will make such a difference. Thank you.

Rooftop garden

£200 **Bowling mat**

£300 Outdoor pots and planters

£1.500 Parasols / awning

Rooftop walkway

£800 Bench style seating and soft furnishings

Lounge areas

TVs for lounges and communal areas x 8 Alexia speaker & fire stick per lounge x 4

Special bathroom areas

reclining bath with side-entry and multisensory system for enhanced experience.

Households x 4 (costs per household)

£375 Crockery and cutlery

£400 Kettles, toasters, soup kettles, microwaves £100—£500 White goods e.g cookers, washing

machines and dishwashers for each household £425 Medical fridges (2 required in total)

Main kitchen

£1.350 Heated Bain Marie trollies (6 needed)

£3,000 Catering equipment e.g. knives, utensils,

thermometers

£1.650 Potato rumbler

Garden areas

£10+ plants, bushes, trees £300 outdoor seating

MOOD BOARDS FOR INTERIOR DESIGN





Residential lounge





Café





Bedroom



BCM is one of N Ireland's oldest charities. Founded in 1889 as part of the Methodist church's response to problems inherent in inner-city life, BCM is involved with all sectors of the community, irrespective of religious or political affiliation or ethnicity. Our aim is to support those most in need in our society and enable them to reach their full potential. We do this through our diverse social care projects, cross-community programme and our two congregations.



