

Community Enterprise PL12 Report to Town Council

As February draws to a close, it's time to reflect on the happenings within Community Enterprise PL12 and the vibrant Saltash community. It's been a month filled with transitions, successes, and the unwavering support of our dedicated volunteers and patrons.

Hopper - End of an Era:

At the end of February, we bade farewell to the Hopper Transport at CEPL12. Thirteen years ago, this project was initiated with the noble vision of enhancing accessibility and community connectivity for Saltash residents. We are proud of all the success of the Hopper over the years, however, with the flourishing Red Bus operation and other transport providers now serving the community, we recognise that the original mission of the Hopper has been fulfilled. As CEPL12 bids adieu to the Hopper, our focus remains on seeking new opportunities to serve the community and embracing fresh initiatives that address evolving needs.

The Community Kitchen - On Course SW Success:

We have had a fantastic month of cooking at The Community Kitchen! Course number 2 of On Course SW saw tremendous success with overwhelming participation and satisfied customers. We have further courses planned for the future, these are proving so successful and are booking up well in advance. The versatility of our space continues to amaze us, accommodating everything from yoga sessions to cooking classes, and even theatre shows and Father Christmas's Grotto!

CEPL12 at Lush in Plymouth:

We recently organised a stand at LUSH in Drakes Circus, Plymouth. Over three days, our team of volunteers raised awareness of CEPL12 and promoted sales of special LUSH Charity Pots, with 100% of profits benefiting our organisation. Together, we raised £328, thanks to the generosity of our volunteers and customers. Our thanks go to LUSH for their support and to everyone who contributed to this successful event.

Dementia Voice Choir at the Library:

The Dementia Voice singing group had a fantastic morning at Saltash Library as part of Saltash Library's Wellness month. Our talented choir spread joy through music, thanks to the support of Saltash Town Council Library Hub and all who participated. Here's to many more uplifting moments together!

Dementia Voice Cafe Relocation:

Our Dementia Voice Cafe has found a new home! From 1st February, the popular cafe has returned to the Community Kitchen, 8 Fore Street. We're excited to continue offering fun activities and welcoming faces in our new location. A heartfelt thank you to Ashtorre Rock for their unwavering support as our previous hosts.

Community Gift Shop

February brought fresh changes to our Community Gift Shop, with vibrant Valentine's stock and new window displays. I hope you'll agree that the Gift Shop is looking so bright and fresh with lots of new stock and new suppliers. As Easter and Mother's Day approach, we invite you to explore our selection of thoughtful gifts, from cards to presents.

Behind the scenes the directors continue to work hard to ensure that we are prepared for future challenges. Currently our focus is on recruiting new directors and / or lead volunteers to complement our team. We are in need of someone to support managing our Community Shop and to take over as Dementia Voice Director. Both organisations are flourishing but we are aware that there is much more potential if we can recruit new volunteers to join our team.

As we move into March we look forward to the longer, and hopefully drier, days with optimism as we continue to work together to support the PL12 community.

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For more information about any of our activities please check out our facebook and Instagram pages, our website or pop into No 4 or 8 to find out more.

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