

## COMMUNITY



## South Ribble Borough Council

### Jubilee Gardens – Development That Gives Back

South Ribble has an ageing population which includes a significant increase in the number of older people over the age of 85. It is widely reported that people are living longer with more complex support needs impacting on the ability of people to live independently in their own homes.

To proactively address this, a new state of the art extra care facility is being developed in South Ribble. Jubilee Gardens is a £20.5 million investment for South Ribble to provide 75 apartments with supported living facilities including a café, hair salon and support services.

By introducing the extra care provision, this will ensure residents gain access to a high-quality housing which allows them to maintain their independence whilst at the same time ensuring access to vital support. It is hoped that extra care living will allow people to stay independent for longer whilst still having their own living space. As the facility is in the heart of Leyland, there will be opportunities to socialise with other residents and feel part of the community through town centre living, being near to shops and health centres.

Caddick Construction Ltd is the company procured to deliver the works and the project is registered under the Considerate Constructors Scheme. It is a voluntary scheme, meaning that Scheme-registered contractors and organisations are actively trying to improve the way they work, by raising their standards in being more considerate to communities, the environment and their own workforce.

They are committed to ensuring that the development gives back to the local community. The project is not just bricks and mortar but will leave a lasting legacy on our communities.

Throughout construction, Caddick has pledged £6.6m to social value investment through a host of initiatives to support the neighbouring community. The business has also made a pledge to localise its supply chain spend to the Central Lancashire area, with a further commitment to spend £4m with local subcontractors and £250k with local businesses, all of which is expected to support 70 jobs.



The Jubilee Gardens site team is transforming the Base Community Centre.

### Donations

The Jubilee Gardens site team volunteered their time and transformed The Base Community Centre for Caddick's first ever Communities week. The community centre was given a makeover which included new flooring throughout, new colour scheme throughout, and racking installed to provide extra storage so that the space could be used as a drop in for families in need to access food and toiletries and for them to have somewhere to sit and chat.

For Christmas 2023 and 2024, 80 Christmas trees were sponsored for Derian House Children's Hospice, which made up a winter wonderland garden. £1,000 was donated to Regenerage to support their charity ball allowing them to raise money to keep the charity running and to raise funding which will go back into the activity centres. A further £1,000 was donated to a company called Foxton which plays a crucial role in addressing the housing crisis in the UK. Their centre is dedicated to providing multifaceted support to those in need.

### Creating Opportunities

Having worked closely with Preston College and their Level 2 Design, Surveying and Planning T-Level students, Caddick hosted a careers talk, followed by one-to-one interviews with the

students. 1 T Level Placement has now commenced, which consists of a student being on site two days a week to complete their 315-hour placement. Caddick have also supported 10 apprenticeships.

Through UDevelop, the team funded a 4-week Level 2 Royal Society Public Health Award course. The qualification is all about closing health inequality gaps as well as teaching and upskilling Leyland and South Ribble residents about health from a holistic standpoint. U Develop's programme works with unemployed people facing multiple barriers from multiple referral partners.

As part of the Care Leavers Programme, a young care leaver was supported on a pathway into construction. The young person was given two weeks work experience on site followed by paid work two days a week. In addition to this, engagement sessions were held with inmates who had an interest in the construction industry. Sessions included: personal branding and confidence building, CV and interview support, as well as construction-based career sessions.

Caddick's Social Value Team have delivered sessions in local schools to host mock interviews to Year 11 students. The team asked students questions and then gave them feedback based on how they acted and answered questions. This helped the students get an idea of what to expect for when they go to a real interview.

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