

CHRISTMAS APPEAL 2017

"I have come that you may have life, and have it to the full..." John 10:10

It is completely thrilling to serve such a faithful God and to be a part of His unfolding plans here at A+. Thank you for journeying with us on this 'Adventure of Faith' and for trusting God with us and for us. It has been an amazing year of helping 7,000 young people "realise their potential through adventure and education in a positive Christian environment."

Now that we have bought the land we can embrace the exciting process of starting to create the Adventure*Base* itself. It will become such a special place in the lives of thousands of children and young people for years to come as we celebrate the Good News that we are 'greatly loved' by such an awesome, unchanging Heavenly Father.

We would be honoured if you would continue to partner with us in the exciting new chapter that is dawning here at A+.

Join us in Making the Vision a Reality

2017 has been a season of Evaluation, Consultation and Planning as we prepare to create this unique centre that will double the number of children and young people A+ can reach each year. We are now working on the overall site layout and preparing to lay the groundwork for the Adventure*Base*; the work will unfold across a number of phases, and our top priority is to be able to open the doors of a brand new Yurt Village enabling young people to stay on site, and become part of the adventure.



Architects image of how the new Yurt Village and Communal Hub will look. Our thanks to MEB Design for the image.

Phase 1: The Winterised Yurt Village

We have exciting plans for a Yurt Village including an environmentally friendly Communal Hub complete with showers, loos, a drying room and self-catering kitchens; plus, brand new facilities for the Windmill Farm camping field. This will also include all the necessary services for the Adventure*Base*, including power, comms. and 'water in & water out' so they are already in place for when we come to the next exciting phase of development.



Yurt Village – with Communal Hub

We are often encouraged by youth leaders' reactions to our plans for Affordable Accessible Accommodation for 40 children and young people in our planned 'winterised' yurt village.

The village will include:

- 5 yurts with bunks for 8 in each
- 1 'Leaders' yurt, split to cater for leaders from 2 groups
- Communal Hub to service the village

Each yurt will be 20ft in diameter and will have windows for natural light, as well as electric lighting. They will be insulated for use all year round and will have underfloor heating for background warmth in winter.

Communal Hub

- Energy and water efficient facilities with wheelchair access via covered walkways
- Living roof with solar cells for capturing electricity to power the village
- Self-catering kitchen, lounge area, drying room and plenty of secure dry storage

This outdoor/indoor village will provide an ideal 'Adventure*Base'* away from home for young people to come and experience that life changing adventure of '*life in all its fullness'*...'Life to the Max'.

This focus scripture from our August Prayer Evening remains ever relevant:

"Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labour in

vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the guards stand watch in vain." Psalm 127:1





Give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! His steadfast love endures forever. Psalm 136:1-26

Costs involved in making this a reality

£15,000 for each of the 6 'winterised' yurts £10,000 furnishing and outfitting of the yurts £15,000 camp kitchen and washrooms £5,000 furnishings and audio visual for each youth lounge

Total to raise for Yurt Village £120,000

In addition to these 'above ground costs' we will be putting in the services required for the Yurt Village, camping washrooms and the future Adventure*Base* development.

Amount required for Service Infrastructure £75,000

Octoball



Cost to prepare the base and create the court: £2,000 or £3,000 for two Octoball courts.

Octoball is an outdoor game that has been growing in popularity across camps in The States and Canada, but is hardly known in the UK.

It will be great to introduce a brand new activity that can be enjoyed in free time by the young people and does not require 'supervision'.

The game is played in the Octoball court and, similar to dodgeball, the aim is to avoid getting hit by the ball. The last person standing in the ring is the winner.

Two Octoball courts onsite will help create a communal gathering point, within the village and focus the fun for both young and old.

Thank you for your support



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