

Hi Milly

Lovely to speak with you yesterday and I love your enthusiasm!

As discussed attached are the details of Pledge to Paint. The YMCA Centre is a crucial part of the community in Torpoint and allows local people across all ages to access a wide variety of Health, Fitness and Wellbeing support. Local clubs, schools and associations use the centre for extra curricular activities as well as families for celebrations and events.

The centre is looking tired and in need of some simple renovations that will have an enormous impact on those using it. We recognise that in today's financial climate finding funds to make revenue donations is becoming more difficult and therefore we are hoping that the local town council, the community and the business community will help us to complete essential work through donation of time.

We have launched Pledge to Paint in Plymouth and have been amazed at the community spirit and the commitment shown from local residents and businesses. As a result we plan on a complete revamp of the centre to be completed by June of this year thanks to the kindness and support of those giving their time and in some cases materials. From painting corridors to sports halls, repairing cracks in walls and replacing carpet, no stone has been left unturned. From solicitors, IT specialists, Nurses and Teachers to professional DIY experts, decorators and handymen..everyone has come forward to help. (photos attached)

The campaign has been supported through the Herald and the Chamber of Commerce who have published articles both launching and covering the campaign.

<https://www.business-live.co.uk/enterprise/ymca-plymouth-calls-businesses-pledge-22061594>

Due to the unprecedented amount of support that we have had in Plymouth and upon its completion we would now like to run an identical campaign in Torpoint using the local community and businesses. To start us off we already have Babcock on board as well as Dulux and Crown Paints.

If we could launch an appeal across the council's social media network and also contact the businesses that you work with this is entirely achievable. We would do all of the networking and chasing and brand the campaign sponsored by the council.

This is a great way for businesses to address their corporate social responsibility and for the community to really pull together.

We hope that you are able to help

Very best wishes

Sarah

# Pledge to Paint!



Join local businesses and people from the local community as we gather an army of decorators to transform the oldest charity in the city. Since the 1970s the YMCA Plymouth has supported local families with health and wellbeing, cardiac rehabilitation, education, disability sports and crisis support and now we need you!

With your help we plan to colour our centre over one weekend and bring us bang up to date to create a space that you can be even more proud of. From painting classrooms used for education, to fitness rooms used for health and wellbeing, there's much to be done and every stroke of a brush helps!

## **How it works:**

**Pledge your time-** Decide how much time you can spare. It can be as little as an hour to as much as the full weekend.

**Decide who to bring-** decorating is much more fun with friends and colleagues so get them signed up too!

**Come and have fun.....**there will be ample supplies of tea/coffee/cakes and music to keep you going. This should really create a great atmosphere and make you feel part of something special.

**Other ways to support.....**if you aren't able to lend a hand then there are other ways you can support the challenge.

- Paint donation- Pure Brilliant White
- Brushes
- Gloss- Pure Brilliant White

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