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Subject: PLUS - The Family Hub

Good evening,

I hope you are well.

I am emailing in regards to PLUS's efforts to purchase the Family Hub in Cornton. As you will be aware, PLUS is an essential charity organisation in Stirling, providing support for children with disabilities, and their families.

In my role as a primary teacher at Riverside Primary School in Stirling, I have witnessed first-hand the joy that PLUS brings to the young people that attend sessions there, and the respite and care they bring for them and their families. Many of our learners at Riverside attend PLUS, and the efforts PLUS go to in the relationships they and their staff build with the children, young people and families make PLUS the nurturing environment and allows them to continue to be an organisation Stirling can truly be proud of.

As such, in the consideration of PLUS's request to purchase the Family Hub I believe it crucial to consider the benefits that this premises would bring for the young people and families that PLUS supports. The central location of this premises would enable families to attend sessions easily and regularly; and would also allow PLUS to continue expanding their service so that they are available for as many children as possible in Stirling, Clackmannanshire and Falkirk. This is a huge area in which PLUS supports its young people, and this premises would be well suited for the many young people in need of PLUS's support - particularly in regards to the spaces available and the already excellent facilities to enable access for those young people/families who need assistance in mobility (wheelchair accessible etc.).

As mentioned, PLUS also provides an huge extent of tailored support for families (often themselves facing challenging circumstances), and can offer mentoring to these families. This would be in benefit to those living close by to the Family Hub, where PLUS would be available and recognised to provide support should families need it. PLUS also provides professional support and training in areas around working with young people and young people with disabilities; this being of clear value to those at the nearby school and facilities. This professional support also extends to the nearby Stirling University, where PLUS frequently accepts and mentors students looking for a career in social work or working with young people with disabilities, amongst other fields. The ideal location of these premises is of clear value to each of these bodies, to PLUS itself, but most importantly to the young people and families who are supported by PLUS and the additional families PLUS could reach in acquiring these premises.

I believe passionately in PLUS, and that supporting the purchase of the Family Hub will support PLUS in their goal to give young people and their families the best support possible; to enable them nurture, respite, and most importantly fun. I would hugely appreciate the

chance to support PLUS in this further, any further questions or information required please do email me and get in touch.

Kind regards,



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