

Fairfield Housing Co-operative Perth

- ⇒ Sustainable communities bringing the environment in from the cold
- ⇒ A case study



Fairfield 1986











The Eighties

- ⇒ Area of extreme stigmatisation.
- ⇒ 35% voids, high turnover, difficult to let.
- ⇒ Lone parent families the norm.
- ⇒ 80% unemployment.
- ⇒ Health of residents poor, low life expectancy.
- ⇒ Inefficient homes leading to fuel poverty.
- ⇒ Highest Crime rate in Tayside.

















Fairfield 2004

- ⇒ Unemployment 12%.
- ⇒ Virtually no crime.
- ⇒ Fuel poverty reduced.
- ⇒ Healthy waiting lists.
- ⇒ Community owned.
- ⇒ Sustainability exemplar.

The Sustainable Journey

- ⇒ Full Stock Transfer and decant assistance.
- ⇒ Master plan.
- ⇒ Consultation and choices.
- ⇒ Partnership approach.
- ⇒ Financial resources.
- ⇒ Community Capacity building-1988!!
- ⇒ Community Spirit !!!

The Sustainable Journey

- ⇒ Community set the goals.
- ⇒ Social , Economic, and Environmental Improvements.
- ⇒ A warm safe home that does not cost £££s to heat.
- ⇒ Defensible space.
- ⇒ Real participation with volunteers the fore.

Choosing Sustainability

- ⇒ Heating Costs and Energy useage!
- ⇒ Resource Conversation.
- ⇒ Increase Tenant satisfaction.
- ⇒ An integral component of re-generation.
- ⇒ Individuality of homes/developments.
- ⇒ Added value.
- ⇒ Taking in the big picture.

Sustainable design achievements

- ⇒ Over 50% of stock has sustainable elements.
- ⇒ Enhanced insulation.
- ⇒ Air quality enhancement.
- ⇒ Use of orientation.
- ⇒ Materials.
- ⇒ Unique buildings.



Key discussion points

- ⇒ Measure outcomes and seek funding.
- ⇒ Sharing information.
- ⇒ What works for your stock or development programme.
- ⇒ Environmental planting integral or an add on.
- ⇒ User involvement.
- ⇒ Change the paradigm.