



COMMUNITY CENTRES IN E16

MUCH NEEDED COMMUNITY SPACE, BY RESIDENTS, FOR RESIDENTS.

As part of its founding objectives, E16 Community Land Trust is committed to securing affordable community spaces for Custom House and E16 residents, led and owned by the community. Recently this work has focused on identifying and securing an existing building that can be repurposed as functioning community space in a shorter time frame and with a smaller budget than delivering a new-build project. Discussions on delivering such a scheme have taken place in collaboration with local organisations including People’s Empowerment Alliance of Custom House (PEACH).

HAS IT BEEN DONE BEFORE? YES!



The Mill is a community centre and ex public library in the heart Walthamstow. In 2011 when the library was closed, local residents formed a social interest company to take ownership of the building via leasehold. The community accessed the Nesta neighbourhood Challenge Grant to help bring the building back to life and into the bustling community space it is today. See www.themille17.org



The West Silvertown Foundation in the Royal Docks have managed **Britannia Village Hall** and provided community services there, since taking it on from the Council 2007. Originally taking ownership via an occupational lease, they are currently planning to redevelop the site with additional housing. See wsfroyaldocks.org

HOW COULD IT WORK?

E16 CLT and local organisations would work together on a bid to Newham Council to take ownership and management of an existing community/non-residential building in the E16 area, to run as a community centre. The CLT would take responsibility as owner of the site and building, with local partners taking responsibility for management of the space(s). There are a number of options for how this proposal could be delivered, depending on the approach the Council takes in disposing of a property for this purpose.

HOW DO WE MAKE IT HAPPEN?

Join E16 CLT as a member!

Get behind the movement to build Newham’s first Community Land Trust for just £1.25.

Come along!

We hold regular meetings and events to plan how to deliver affordable homes and spaces that meet the needs of residents and communities.

Join a working group!

We are looking for people with experience in communications, community organising, planning and development, housing and finance. If you have one of these skills and you’d like to lend a hand, please get it touch!

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