

**Electricity
Transmission**

The LEAP Children & Families Centre

**Community Grant
Programme**



Established in 2002, LEAP is a community anchor organisation which develops projects in response to local need. Their mission is to inspire immediate and lasting change for children and adults.

Organisation: LEAP CFC

Project: Connecting Children & Families

Beneficiaries:

Children aged 0 – 11: 20

Children aged 12 – 16: 3

People over 65: 4

People with disabilities: 6

People from ethnic minorities: 24

People on low income: 20

Location: Ashton-under-Lyne

Region: North

Impact: Dismantling of two gas cylinders at Grosvenor Street in Ashton Under Lyne, Greater Manchester. The gasholders were removed as part of a nationwide land regeneration programme as they are no longer used to store gas.

£10,000

Awarded towards the recruitment of a project co-ordinator

For further information please visit:

www.nationalgrid.com/responsibility/community/community-grant-programme

Community Helpline

01285 841912

In November 2020, Leap Children and Families Centre (CFC) were awarded £10,000 to support recruitment of a part-time Project Co-ordinator.

Established in 2002, LEAP CFC is a community anchor organisation which develops projects in response to local need. Services include a day nursery, parenting courses, literacy and numeracy courses for adults and buddy projects for people struggling with isolation.

The Charity also runs a child contact centre where absent parents can meet safely with their children.

This service was offered during the week, but they wanted to extend the service into the weekend to increase access, and host sessions at their allotment site to encourage physical activity and promote healthy eating.

The new Project Co-ordinator role has enabled these sessions to expand into the weekend meaning absent parents have been able to meet with their children improving their mental health. Sessions have promoted physical activity and healthy eating, improving physical health and wellbeing.

The project has been a huge success in reuniting children with a parent they no longer live with. Outcomes have been very positive and following the intervention of the contact centre, children have gone on to have a positive relationship with their non resident parent.

Speaking on the funding LEAP CFCs CEO, Jo Parry-Gee said,

“We were delighted to receive this funding, as without it we wouldn't have been able to initiate this much needed support for children and families.”