Report Title	Manor House Development Trust / Redmond Community		
	Centre Update		
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1	Redmond Centre Usage	The Redmond Centre re opened to the public on 2 <sup>nd</sup> January. Bookings at the RCC continue to be strong. The Centre is fully booked for the majority of the weekdays with limited availability on the weekends.
2	Facilities Issues	Berkeley Homes have agreed to replace the faulty toilets at the Redmond Centre.
3	Activities	We received £75,000 from The National Lottery Community Organisations Cost of Living Fund, which will contribute to LDT's core costs, as well as supplementing our cost of living support projects including Community Fridge, Kitchen Social and A Taste of Home.  We held a Christmas special edition of Kitchen Social in December which was extremely well attended. We handed out over 50 meal kits to local families, in addition to hot meals and activities on the day.  Hackney Council have agreed to re fund the Taste of Home refugee project for 3 months, beginning in February.
4	Ongoing Activities	Regal Ballet, Mrs. Independent Living, Parent Club, Wing Chun, Toastmasters, EK Outreach Services, Ceramics, Active Within Healthy Lifestyle Sessions, Friday Prayers, Solutions Care, Girls Friendly Society, x3 churches, Growing Communities vegetable collection, Community Fridge, Made in Hackney, Junior Youth Group, Career Wise, Community Garden, and Lunch-Up Club.
5	Woodberry Wetlands Neighbourhood Forum	The next Woodberry Wetlands Neighbourhood Forum will be on Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> February, 1-3pm at the Redmond Centre. The topic of the forum will be looking back at what has been achieved so far and thinking about priorities for moving forward.
6	My Place	The My Place team met with NHC to begin planning for year 2 of My Place Woodberry Down. We are now working on a strategy and budget proposal for My Place beyond the current funding cycle which ends in March. We applied for £20,000 from the Co-op Young Gamechangers Fund and should find out the decision on our application by February.  The Community Ambassadors have now completed their surveys and will be hosting 2 final focus groups in January before preparing

a presentation of their research to present to the delivery partners
in February half term.
The Community Ambassadors were also successful in their
application to Young Hackney's Youth Opportunity Fund, receiving
£3250 to host a Hackney wide youth talent show in Woodberry
Down. They will plan the talent show over the next quarter and it
will take place at the end of March.