

# Cheque Centre make special presentation of bikes



*These bikes were not just any bikes. They were hand-made by the employees of the Cheque Centre at their annual conference, and the staff then donated the end product to a group of young people they had invited along.*

The Edinburgh-based Cheque Centre teamed up with Charity Bike Build to make the special presentation.

The conference, which was held at the Marriott Dalmahoy Hotel last week involved 50 Cheque Centre employees working in teams to build mountain bikes. Managed by qualified mechanics from Charity Bike Build, each team was briefed with building a mountain bike.

They were joined at the conference by three young people who have all experienced homelessness in Scotland's capital. The five Raleigh mountain bikes built by the employees, along with accessories, were presented to the young people who were delighted by their gifts.

Ralph Hodges, Director of Retail for the Cheque Centre, said:-

"Our annual conference is an important event for our employees to work and learn together, improving their skillset. However we wanted to use this opportunity to do something which was not only fun and creative, but also something which allows us to give back to the local community.

"As a company we were keen to work with a charity which would really benefit from the bikes, and Charity Bike Build helped us to achieve this."

*Photos show Ralph Hodges Director of Retail at Cheque Centre*

*(left) and Peter Lindsay of Charity Bike Build*

