

# **Early Christmas present for North Edinburgh Arts**

**The UK Government has awarded £1.7 million in funding from the Community Ownership Fund to North Edinburgh Arts (NEA) capital programme.**

NEA has almost completed building a new home and now it will be able to finish the building, buy any interior furnishings and also redo the garden.

This is one of 85 community owned venues in the UK to receive funding today.

NEA Chair Lesley Hinds said: “The Board and NEA team are thankful to all our supporters, and thrilled that the Community Ownership Fund brings us to our capital target. We couldn’t have achieved this without the support of our local Councillors, MSPs, and our MP, Tracy Gilbert. But, mostly, we couldn’t have done this without the support of our neighbours, participants, and our community. Thank you all. We’ll see you in 2025 when we throw the doors open once again.”

The venue will replace the old building with a 96 seat theatre, café, workshops, studios, offices, greenhouse and a half acre community garden.



