



Press release
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Play day boosts community spirits



Melin Homes teamed up with Linc Cymru to stage a play day for youngsters on a New Inn estate in a bid to foster good neighbourhood relations.

Over 60 youngsters joined in the fun at Llandegfedd Way on Saturday as circus skills group

Dynamix led the way in plate-spinning, Diablo and juggling. A local Police Community Support Officer as well as a number of parents joined Melin staff in the estate's fun day.

The local housing associations' Community Development teams run similar events especially targeting areas where the residents feel it would help to bring people together.

Melin and Linc Cymru place a great deal of importance on events like these and plan to host several more in Llandegfedd Way, to boost community spirit.

The fun day was such a success that many of the youngsters have called for more of the same in future. They are also hoping that they may get a youth club in the area dedicated to helping them play and live together.

Karen Green, Melin's Community Development Officer for the Torfaen area said: "At Melin we believe that our role as a landlord goes further than simply providing

homes; it means creating active communities where our residents enjoy living and of which they are proud.”

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Photo Caption:

Community fun day at New Inn housing estate

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Notes to editors

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