



FUNDRAISING MAKES INCLUSIVE CYCLING POSSIBLE

Quest 88 has been providing cycles to Newburn Activity Centre in Newcastle since 2009 when Joe Laws, Facility Supervisor at the Centre, was looking to fundraise for newer, less dated cycles for its inclusive cycling project.

Joe explained: "We asked Quest 88 for a couple of demo bikes to see if they were as good as people said and I knew straight away they were. I immediately looked at how we could start fundraising to put my dream of having the bikes into reality." Joe initially raised £80,000 for the project followed by a further £60,000, which is phenomenal.

Three years later over 70 users come to the Centre twice a week to use the 30 bikes, often travelling many miles because there is nothing similar around. Robert Henshaw, Joint Managing Director of Quest 88 said: "The Centre has helped many individuals overcome the barriers they are faced with, so the

bikes are constantly in use. We are delighted to have been part of such an excellent initiative and will continue to do whatever we can to help Joe and Newburn Activity Centre carry on serving the community."

Joe added: "Companies like Quest 88



The Drasin Loader is extremely popular



The Twister is put through its paces are really worth their salt. I wouldn't buy from anyone else – not a chance!"

The cycles are especially appreciated by parents who, according to Joe, are unaware of what the Centre can offer their children. He said: "Often parents do not know this equipment exists and they are overwhelmed by what we can offer."

Newburn Activity Centre is based on the banks of the River Tyne in the beautiful Tyne Valley and offers a wide variety of indoor and outdoor activities.