

## Mobile Classroom helps out flood victims

Over the weekend Workington's Northside Community Centre took delivery of a mobile classroom. The classroom will be used by the public, community centre staff, police and other workers helping the local residents. The classroom, complete with its own electricity and internet access, will be the first time many residents will have been able to contact relatives over the web. It also allows people to do their shopping online.

Joe Bell, Centre Manager of Northside Community Centre said "This is a fantastic resource. At the present moment our normal training room is being used as a medical centre. The classroom means we are able to offer our normal services to our users."

Robin Brown, CEO, said "The classroom is a marvellous bit of kit. I am really pleased that we have been able to get it to Workington to help the Northside community."

Deb Muscat, acting director said "As well as funding individuals this is the sort of practical help the Cumbria Flood Recovery Fund can help with."

The Cumbria Flood Recovery Fund Appeal target is £2m. The total raised so far is £850,000.

People can donate by logging on to [thebiggive.org.uk](http://thebiggive.org.uk), by calling in at any branch of HSBC Bank, Furness Building Society or the Cumberland Building Society, or by sending cheques or cash to Cumbria Community Foundation, Dovenby Hall, Dovenby, Cockermouth CA13 0PN.

The Cumbria Flood Recovery Fund provides help for people experiencing financial hardship because of the floods. The first phase of grant making is focussing on the elderly, disabled and families with under 5s.

Anyone wanting information about the appeal and who and what will be eligible for funding should log on to Cumbria Community Foundation's website [www.cumbriafoundation.org](http://www.cumbriafoundation.org) or call the dedicated phone line **01900 820827**