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## **Standing room only for suppliers!**

It was standing room only for a packed house of over 200 local tradespeople for a Tai Ceredigion event, outlining future construction opportunities last week.

The new not-for-profit housing association is keen to ensure as many local businesses benefit from their £40million spending programme of property upgrades over the next five years.

Before the event the car park of Ty Glyn Aeron was overflowing as local contractors queued patiently to hear what was on offer.

Tai Ceredigion's commitment to local sourcing is part of its sustainability agenda and Chairman Cllr Hag Harris and Chief Executive Steve Jones were keen to urge local suppliers to get in touch and consider grouping together to bid for some of the bigger contracts.

Commenting Steve Jones said, "At Tai Ceredigion we are really keen to encourage any local businesses to access the help that is available from the Welsh Assembly Government to assist them to find their way through the official procurement process. . This is why we have been working locally with Menter a Busnes, who offer tendering workshops and networking opportunities to small businesses within Ceredigion.. We have a really long term agenda and some £136 million to spend over the next 30 years so we want to help develop local suppliers and businesses to keep the money we spend in Ceredigion and



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contribute to the wider local economy as we improve existing homes and build new ones.”

Although last week’s event was a ‘sell out’, for anyone who missed the event, Tai Ceredigion will be holding further events in the Spring that will be advertised in the Cambrian News. Details will also feature on the organization’s website [www.taicedigion.org.uk](http://www.taicedigion.org.uk).

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