

# **VOLUNTARY SECTOR COMMISSIONING FRAMEWORK (COMMUNITY CENTRES) TASK GROUP**

**Tuesday, 26th May, 2015**

**6.30 pm**

**Town Hall**

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# AGENDA

Councillor R Martins (Chair)

Councillors K Collett, K Hastrick, A Joynes and B Mehta

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE/COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

**2. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS (IF ANY)**

**3. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 6)**

The minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 2015 to be submitted and signed.

**4. FEEDBACK FROM WARD COUNCILLORS (Pages 7 - 8)**

To receive correspondence from Ward Councillors regarding their local community centres.

**5. ACTIVITY SHEETS FROM COMMUNITY CENTRES (Pages 9 - 22)**

To receive activity sheets from community centres detailing the activities available.

**6. OFFICERS' REVIEW AND RECOMMENDATIONS (Pages 23 - 26)**

To receive the review and recommendations of the community centres by the Head of Corporate Strategy and Client Services and Corporate, Leisure and Community Section Head.

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**12 May 2015**

Present: Councillor Rabi Martins (Chair)  
Councillor Karen Collett  
Councillor Kareen Hastrick  
Councillor Anne Joynes  
Councillor Binita Mehta

Also Present: Councillor Seamus Williams

Officer: Head of Corporate Strategy and Client Services (Head of CSCS)  
Corporate Leisure and Community Section Head (CLC Section Head)  
Committee and Scrutiny Officer  
Committee and Scrutiny Support Officer (RC)

### **1. ELECTION OF A CHAIR/COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP**

The Task Group was asked to elect a Chair for the Task Group.

It was noted that Councillor Kareen Hastrick had replaced Councillor Jeanette Aron on the Task Group.

AGREED

That Councillor Rabi Martins be elected Chair of the Voluntary Sector Commissioning Framework (Community Centres) Task Group.

### **2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST**

There were no disclosures of interest.

### **3. SCOPE**

Members noted the scoping document. The Committee and Scrutiny Officer reminded Members that the Task Group was to look at specific community centres which were funded by the Council in relation to how they fitted into the Commissioning Framework, not all community centres in general.

### **4. SCRUTINY REPORT: VOLUNTARY SECTOR COMMISSIONING FRAMEWORK (COMMUNITY CENTRES)**

Members received a scrutiny task group report from the Head of CSCS and the CLC Section Head regarding the community centres in relation to the Voluntary Sector Commissioning Framework.

It was noted that the Council provided funding to a number of organisations including the Watford Palace Theatre, the Citizens' Advice Bureau (CAB), Shopmobility, Watford & Three Rivers Trust and a number of local community centres.

The Head of CSCS provided background information on the journey community centres had undertaken which was detailed in the scrutiny task group report.

Members were asked to consider the future of each of the five centres. Additionally a sixth centre, West Watford Community Association, was incorporated into the community centre service priority during the last Commissioning Framework.

The Chair was of the opinion that there should be consensus when considering what issues needed to be addressed. The Head of CSCS noted that the focus was not cutting funding or disposing of centres but rather to consider how things were progressing with each of the centres and what was the best way forward. She highlighted that all the centres were different and though savings might be made through the process, the focus was on making the centres more independent.

The Chair asked officers about the timeframe of the work to be carried out. It was noted that further clarity was hoped to be achieved by June 2015 with the decision on how to proceed to be made by Cabinet in September 2015. The life span of the community centres was different for each centre as some had long property leases whereas the future of other centres was less certain. All the community centres were required to produce a business plan by September 2015.

The Task Group considered the different centres in turn:

### Holywell

Members noted that Holywell Community Centre was managed by Watford and Three Rivers Trust. Although the centre was the first to be outsourced it had faced some challenges due to both the poor location of the building and the restructuring of the Trust. The centre did however have a large hall and car parking available which could be used more effectively

Officers highlighted that health and wellbeing might be an area of focus for W3RT as the evidence indicated a high percentage of childhood obesity for children between four and eleven, high standardised ratio for cancer incidence, and a high number of hospital stays for self-harm and alcohol harm and emergency admissions for hip fractures for over 65's in the local area. W3RT were a key contributor to the health and wellbeing agenda through their Hertfordshire County Council commissioned services.

It was also confirmed that the site was a strategic sports facility site within the Council's Sports Facility Strategy.

It was noted that Holywell was not in a position to be sustainable without continued Council funding support for the next three years to provide stability whilst opportunities were explored.

Councillor Karen Collett asked if SLM, who managed the Council's leisure centres, could provide health services. The Head of CSCS commented that SLM did not provide outreach services and that health provision was commissioned by HCC and local Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCG's). Councillor Collett also noted that the hall and car park could be promoted for large events. Officers advised that the hall was already used for receptions and relationships were being developed with charities to use the location for fundraising events.

Councillor Anne Joynes highlighted problems relating to transport however these were noted as outside of the Borough's remit as they were dealt with by the County Council.

The Chair stated that it was not just money that the centre needed but continuing advice and guidance from the Council on effective running of the centre.

### Orbital

The CLC Section Head advised Members that the centre was performing well due to the efforts of the centre manager with the backing of the YMCA. The centre was described as fit for purpose and very engaged with the community. The YMCA were looking at ways to be self-sustaining as well as development opportunities for the building. The Council would however need to continue to provide funding for three years to provide stability.

Councillor Collett highlighted the fact that the centre was working well with local churches. She also described the music gym as fantastic.

Councillor Binita Mehta noted that she had family in the local community and the facilities had changed little over that time. She believed the centre needed more space. Councillor Collett however believed that a great deal of improvement had been made in recent years.

Councillor Seamus Williams was of the opinion that the number of residents using the facilities had decreased over the years and many were not from the local area, for example outside organisations such as the judo club brought in users from outside the area. He also asked if the organisations collected data on where service users lived.

The CLC Section Head advised of the challenge of collecting data regarding users of community centres. Collection of such information was dependant on organisations who hired the room collecting information on behalf of the centre. It was noted that Orbital had provided robust information and that other centres could be contacted to forward data they had collected. Data received could be brought to the next task group meeting.

Members asked how the centres marketed and promoted their activities and requested information on activities currently undertaken at each of the centres to be brought to the next task group meeting.

### Leavesden Green

Officers described the progress of Leavesden Green Community Centre as going according to plan. The centre had a 99 year lease granted on the condition that they redeveloped the centre. The centre had invested in a completely refurbished building. The centre had engaged with the community and a business plan had been created proposing a reduction in Council funding for 2015/16 and 2016/17, becoming self sustaining from April 2017.

The evidence indicated that the local area experienced issues of unemployment. The Head of CSCS commented on wider activities available to residents to address this through the wider work of Watford Community Housing Trust.

### Centrepont

Members noted that the management of Centrepont had returned to the Council having previously been managed by First Rung who gave notice to terminate their lease in September 2014. There had been confusion regarding what activities the community centre had been running and that which had been privately run by First Rung. However, since the handback to the Council, activities at the centre were beginning to build up. These included coffee mornings and table tennis. However the centre was not yet in a position to be self-sustaining.

Officers informed Members that a community survey targeting local residents had been carried out to better understand the level of interest in attending activities at the centre, however responses had been disappointing. The majority of respondents had been existing users of the centre. It was noted that there were three potential options for the Centrepont Community Centre. These were:

- 1) Continuing to develop the centre to provide a range of community activities;
- 2) Continuing to develop the centre with a focus on providing health and wellbeing (the preferred option for respondents to the community survey), or;
- 3) Finding an alternative use for the site where the centre was located in line with the Property Review.

The Chair highlighted that activities at the centre have been seen to contribute to reducing anti-social behaviour in the area. He did not believe car parking was an issue for the centre but noted however that making room bookings was difficult in practice and although the centre provided good sized rooms they were not used to their full potential.

Councillor Williams felt that the evidence indicated a general growth of mental health related issues in the town and that the centres, including Centrepont, should engage with relevant charities and education providers who might be able to make use of facilities to provide support.

### Meriden

Members noted that Meriden Community Centre was managed by Watford Football Club Trust. The Trust had a plan for redevelopment of the centre providing that they

could attract funding amounting to £1.4 million. This had taken longer than expected due to the complexity of securing funding from several sources.

There was also concern that the Trust would not achieve the full funding required. If this was the outcome, a revised plan would need to be drawn up. The position should be clear by the Cabinet meeting in September.

Members expressed hope that the recent success of Watford Football Club in being promoted to the Premiership, and the additional income that that generated for the club, would translate into further funding being made available to the centre. The major supermarket chains were also considered as possible sources of funding.

#### West Watford Community Association

West Watford Community Association was described as a thriving local centre and as busy and vibrant. The challenges the centre faced were limitations to the buildings. The management team was putting together a business plan and was investigating the potential use of the upstairs space to generate income.

The Council would continue to provide funding for three years to provide stability as the centre was not self-sustainable.

It was noted that the centre worked with a transient community and language issues were dealt with effectively. More could also be done to promote health and wellbeing.

Councillor Collett suggested engaging with local GPs to gather information on health needs in the area. The Head of CSCS cautioned that it was difficult to get a response from GPs many of whom were very busy dealing with the immediate health needs of their patients. Councillor Joynes highlighted the potential of communicating with other health workers such as midwives.

## **5. ACTIONS FOR NEXT MEETING**

Members agreed the following actions:

### **AGREED**

1. Officers to provide Members with information regarding the following for all centres by the next meeting:
  - a. The range of activities offered;
  - b. Information regarding marketing and promotion;
  - c. Profile of users (where possible).
2. Officers to provide Members with details of the funding and information on planned activities provided through the Community Activation Fund which applied to Central Ward only and was administered by the Council's Sports Development Officer. This related to activities at Centrepoin community centre only.

3. Members to be provided with contact information for the centres and to make their own arrangements to visit or speak to community centre staff.
  4. All members to be invited to attend the next meeting of the task group as observers.
  5. Officers to provide Members with options and recommendations for discussion and consideration at the next meeting.
  6. Officers to liaise with community centre management teams regarding the potential opportunities for working with groups for example mental health charities and education providers.
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Chair  
Community Safety Partnership Task Group

The meeting started at 7.30 p.m.  
and finished 9.10 p.m.



**Ward Councillors were emailed requesting comments regarding their local community centre by the Committee and Scrutiny Support Officer on behalf of the Chair.**

Dear Cllrs

The Voluntary Sector Commission Framework (Community Centres) Task Group is Chaired by Cllr Rabi Martin and attended by Cllrs Hastrick, Collett, Joynes and Mehta.

The Task Group are currently reviewing the local community centres as part of the overall review of the Voluntary Sector Commissioning Framework. As part of their review they are considering the XXXXX Community Centre in your Ward. The Chair has asked me to contact you as Ward Councillor for your thoughts on the activities of the centre and any ideas or comments for the task group.

Please note that the next meeting of the Task Group will take place on 26 May 2015 at 6.30pm in Committee Room 1, Watford Town Hall.

Kind regards

Rob Cowan  
Committee and Scrutiny Support Officer

**Two responses were received by email.**

**1. Email from Cllr Tony Rogers (Woodside Ward) regarding Orbital Community Centre:**

Dear Rob,

I have always been impressed with the range of activities that the Orbital Community Centre offers. It has been mentioned by an ex local professional boxer that boxing classes should also be introduced (but I am not sure how appropriate that is).

We have hired the rooms available there and found that process professionally done.

The venue serves as a centre of the community. Perhaps not the most central location for AC polling.

Excellent parking facilities which is so important.

With the major redevelopment of the Lincoln Court site with a younger residential population the community centre could have a much more active future. Especially if it advertises itself more.

I would be pleased to discuss this further with Councillor Martin when we next meet prior to the 26th of May meeting.

Best wishes,

Tony Rogers

**2. Email from Cllr Tim Williams (Stanborough Ward) regarding Leavesden Green Community Centre:**

Hi Rob,

Leavesden Green Community Centre/Hub  
Refurbished completely and re-opened in Sept'13 - great building, and now nearly two years later still looking as good as new - great facility to have in the Leavesden Green area.

Although not recently they used to have a Leavesden Green Community Hub User Meeting on a quarterly basis but these have seemed to have dropped off recently, but having spoken to them on 7th May they are hoping to get these re-established.... although to be fair not too many people/users attended.

From my perspective a number of good groups/organisations use the centre covering a wide range of activities, as well as the WCHT offering events/courses/activities - daytime/evenings – e.g. meals/groups for the elderly, a successful toddler group, exercise classes, martial arts groups, pamper days etc. Its also good to see that WCHT use the centre for their maintenance "action days", and that Leavesden Children's Centre use it as a regular venue to run events/courses.

However yes from the community (when door knocking) the comment is often made that its a good facility but doesn't do things we want, and from attending the user group meetings I know that we've discussed how to reach out to the neighbouring community to engage them more with using their centre. Tina Olowookere WCHT does complete a lot of Facebook messages to engage residents.

Wonderful facility with great activities/events/courses but it would be great for the centre to be used more by the residents living adjacent to it.

Hope this helps,  
Tim

Cllr Tim Williams

## Children and Young People

what's  
**ON?**

### REGULAR ACTIVITIES

#### Stay and Play (under 5s)

Every Wednesday,  
10am to 12pm

Come along and join us for 2 hours of fun filled soft play, sensory play and bouncy castle madness for Under 5's. Includes ball pool, soft play farm set, build a fire engine, dark den, bouncy castle and lots more. Refreshments will be provided for your little ones and a well-earned drink for parents too. £2.50 per child, £1 for siblings and under 6 months.



#### Holywell Youth Theatre (13-16 year olds)

Every Wednesday from  
Wednesday 17 September,  
6pm to 8pm

Watford Palace Theatre is looking for enthusiastic 13-16 year olds to join our Holywell Youth Theatre. We offer lots of games, drama and the chance to perform in a fun, friendly environment. To book a place fill out a form at Holywell Community Centre, call 01923 810307, or email participation@watfordpalacetheatre.co.uk. A refundable £5 deposit.

#### Holywell Youth Club (11-18 year olds)

Every Thursday from  
Thursday 11 September,  
6.30pm to 9.30pm

Our popular evening youth club returns after the summer break. This session will give you the chance to chill out with friends, play pool, table tennis, take part in crafts, sports and cooking. 50p per session.

#### Karate (Mixed ages)

Every Tuesday,  
6.30pm to 7.15pm.

Developed in Hertfordshire over 29 years ago, Active Hertfordshire Karate's commitment is to the pursuit of quality Shotokan Karate. The sessions develop a range of personal qualities and life skills for all ages and abilities and leads students, kids, teens or adults to be positive and the best they can be. First session free.

#### Festive Fun at the Holywell

Friday 12 December, 7pm to  
9.30pm (doors open 6.45pm)

Join us for an evening of fun for all the family as Watford Palace Theatre's Community Choir performs a range of seasonal classics to help us get into the festive spirit. There will also be Christmas themed art activities for children and drinks and snacks available to purchase. Entrance fee £1 per adult, 50p per child (free for under 3s) – children's workshops, drinks and snacks available at additional cost. Limited places available, call 01923 216950 to book.

## Additional Information

what's  
**ON?**

### VOLUNTEERING

Watford and Three Rivers Trust are currently recruiting to the following Volunteer roles:

- Volunteer Drivers
- Community Cars Desk Officer
- Five Ways Friends Volunteer
- Five Ways Friends at Home Volunteers
- Community Centre Administrator
- Timebank Administrator

For more information about these opportunities please visit [www.w3rt.org/recruitment](http://www.w3rt.org/recruitment).

### HALL HIRE

Why not hold your meeting or event at the Holywell Community Centre. We have a range of rooms to hire for 4 to 180 people. Rooms include a large hall, kitchen and meeting rooms - available at competitive prices.

### CONTACT US

For bookings or more details on any of the events and activities please contact the Holywell Community Centre by email [holywell@w3rt.org](mailto:holywell@w3rt.org) call 01923 216950 or drop in and see us during office hours - Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.

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what's  
**ON?**

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Your guide to our upcoming events  
and services for all age groups...

Agenda Item 5

## EVENTS

**Quiz Night**

Monday 27 October, 7pm to 10pm (doors open 6.45pm)

Get your thinking caps on and get ready to do battle with your fellow competitors armed only with your general knowledge and determination to win! 6 to 8 people per team - if you have less than 6 people then let us know and we'll seat you with other competitors to make up a team. Soft drinks will be available to purchase and you're welcome to bring your own alcohol. £2 per person. Bring some change with you and take part in some additional games during the break. Advance booking required, please call 01923 216950.

**Let's get motivated!**

Tuesday 28 October, 1.30pm to 3.30pm

Do you need a bit of a boost? Join us for tea and cake as our speaker helps us all to feel more positive and more motivated. FREE.

**Halloween Fun**

Thursday 30 October, 2.30pm to 4.30pm

Join our fun, friendly group for some Halloween madness with pumpkin carving, tasty treats and more. A great opportunity to meet new people and find out how you can get involved locally. FREE.

**Need advice on consumer issues?**

20 November, 2pm-4pm

Drop in and find out more about your rights when purchasing goods and services or simply how to shop around, switch energy suppliers or cancel contracts. Includes a tasting comparison of branded versus own brand food and looks at ways to make savings. FREE.

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REGULAR  
ACTIVITIES**Basic Computer Skills**

Every Thursday from 16 October to 18 December, 10am to 12pm

Drop in and join our friendly, beginners IT sessions. Learn new skills such as how to send an email and how to shop or sell goods online. FREE.

**Games Club**

Friday 24 October, Wednesday 19 November, Wednesday 10 December, 2.30pm to 4pm

Join us for a fun, friendly afternoon of board games. We'll have a range of games available for the group to choose from so why don't you drop in, enjoy a cuppa and meet new friends. FREE.

**Gardening Club**

Friday 17 October and Friday 21 November, 10am to 12pm

Do you love gardening as much as we do? We are looking for a group of people willing to help with simple gardening tasks. You don't need to be green fingered to take part just a willingness to get involved and have fun. A great opportunity to meet new people, be active and help individuals that are no longer able to care for their own gardens. Please call 01923 216950 to confirm meeting point. FREE.

**An Introduction to Volunteering**

Friday 7th November, 11am to 12pm & Wednesday 26th November, 2pm to 3pm

Do you want to learn new skills or refresh old ones? Do you want to gain work experience and build confidence? If you are interested in volunteering but not sure where to start then come along and find out how you can get involved and explore local opportunities. FREE.

**Five Ways Friends Clubs (for over 55's and their Carers)**

Every Thursday, 11am to 3pm

Five Ways Friends provides a range of interesting and stimulating activities aimed at improving peoples' mental and physical wellbeing. Includes lunch, a monthly newsletter, trips out and transport for those with mobility issues. You will need to join the club before attending. The cost is £4.50 per visit plus £12 per year membership fee and £5.50 per day for those eligible for transport.

**Karaoke**

Every Monday, 12pm to 3pm

If you love singing then this session is perfect for you. Come along and sing your heart out with our fun and friendly group. FREE

**Karate (Mixed ages)**

Every Tuesday, 6.30pm to 7.15pm

Developed in Hertfordshire over 29 years ago, Active Hertfordshire Karate's commitment is to the pursuit of quality Shotokan Karate. The sessions develop a range of personal qualities and life skills for all ages and abilities and leads students, kids, teens or adults to be positive and the best they can be. First session free.

**Jeannette Peel Diet & Fitness: Zumba Class**

Every Saturday, 9.30am to 10.30am

This session combines exercise and a healthy eating plan which follows a Mediterranean style diet. Each week you will receive nutritional advice on all the key areas of healthy eating; lots of additional help & support & a 45 minute Zumba class. You may attend to exercise only: Class fee £5.00 or to weigh-in, follow the healthy eating plan & exercise: Class fee £6.50.

**Get Crafty**

23 October, 6 and 27 November, 11 December, 1.30pm to 3.30pm

Come and explore your creative side and get crafty with our fun and friendly group. Each session focuses on a different theme and you'll have a chance to make something unique for yourself or as a gift to treat a friend. FREE.

**Short Mat Bowls**

Every Wednesday, 1.15pm to 3.15pm

Holywell Short Mat Bowls club is keen to welcome new members to this friendly weekly group. No experience necessary, equipment provided. £2 per session.

**Meet and Greet Social Club**

Every Tuesday, 11am to 2pm

Meet and Greet Social Club develops and delivers a range of services that promote the wellbeing and independence of the over 50s. £2 per session.

**Tell us what you think and enter our prize draw!**

We want to hear your views on what events and activities you want us to deliver at the Holywell Community Centre. Drop-in and see us, complete a short survey and enter our prize draw to **WIN £40 OF INTU SHOPPING VOUCHERS!**



## Regular Activities Timetable

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>	<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Sunday</u>
<b>Xtra-time Kidz Club</b> (7.15am – 8.45am)	<b>Xtra-time Kidz Club</b> (7.15am – 8.45am)	<b>Xtra-time Kidz Club</b> (7.15am – 8.45am)	<b>Xtra-time Kidz Club</b> (7.15am – 8.45am)	<b>Xtra-time Kidz Club</b> (7.15am – 8.45am)	<b>Jeannette Peel Diet and Fitness</b> (9.30am – 10.30am)	
<b>Timebank Karaoke</b> (12pm – 3.00pm)	<b>Meet and Greet Social Club</b> (11am – 2pm)	<b>Bowls</b> (1.15pm – 3.15pm)	<b>Five way Friends Luncheon Club</b> (11.00 – 3.00pm)			
<b>Xtra-time Kidz Club</b> (3pm – 6pm)	<b>Xtra-time Kidz Club</b> (3pm – 6pm)	<b>Xtra-time Kidz Club</b> (3.15pm – 6pm)	<b>Xtra-time Kidz Club</b> (3pm – 6pm)	<b>Xtra-time Kidz Club</b> (3pm – 6pm)		
	<b>Karate</b> (6.30pm – 8pm)	Holywell Youth Theatre 6pm – 8pm	<b>Holywell Youth Club - YMCA</b> (6.30pm – 9.30pm)	<b>Holywell Spiritual Church</b> (7pm – 9pm)		








Desc ription	Mon 02 Mar	Tue 03 Mar	Wed 04 Mar	Thu 05 Mar	Fri 06 Mar	Sat 07 Mar	Sun 08 Mar
Grove Hall	4pm-7pm Centrestage Dance School 7:30pm-8:15pm Taekwondo 8:15pm-9pm Taekwondo	2pm-4pm Orbital Short Mat Bowls Club 7pm-9pm YMCA Youth Club	4pm-7pm Centrestage Modern & Tap 7pm-8pm Zumba with Mili	10:45am-12:45pm Active Together Watford 4pm-8pm Centrestage Dance School	10am-11am Bizzy Bees 50+ 4pm-7pm Kliks Dance Academy	5pm-11pm Akthar?	11am-12:30pm Shogun Karate 1pm-3pm Sally's Skating LTD 3pm-4pm Sally's Skating LTD
Meadow Room		10am-11am Bizzy Bees 50+ 6:30pm-9:30pm YMCA Youth Club	11am-3pm Watford and Three Rivers Trust 5pm-7pm Youth Theatre 7:30pm-8:30pm Watford Hindu Group	11am-3pm Turning point	6pm-10pm Watford Vel Murugan Temple	9am-4pm Oxford Study Circle 7:30pm-9:30pm Akthar?	9am-3:30pm Oxford Study Circle
Forest Room	9:15am-1:45pm Pre School 4pm-6pm Music Gym 7pm-8pm SG Guitar Club 8pm-9:30pm Music Gym	9:15am-1:45pm Pre School	9:15am-1:45pm 4pm-7pm Music Gym		9:15am-1:45pm Pre School	9am-4pm Oxford Study Circle	9am-3:30pm Oxford Study Circle
Garden Room	6:30pm-7:30pm Pilates	10am-Noon U3A South West Herts 6:15pm-7:15pm Friends of Tariro 7:15pm-9:30pm YMCA Youth Club	9:30am-11:30am U3A Park 6:30pm-9:30pm YMCA Youth Club	7pm-8pm Pilates	2pm-4:30pm U3A		9am-11am Oxford Study Circle
Music Gym	Music Gym						
Kitchen							





<b>MONDAY</b> 9.30-11.30am	The HUB CAFÉ From Feb 2015	All Welcome	The Hub 01923 679664 Like us on  "Leavesden Green Community Hub"
<b>MON &amp; WED</b> 9.30-11.30am	SOFT PLAY	£2 per child £1 per sibling	07531543600  "letsplaysoftplay"
<b>MON &amp; THURS</b> 7pm - pm	Herballife Fit Camp	Please call Wellness coach for cost	07956372616 www.goherballife.com/daren Blatt
<b>TUESDAY</b> 10am—11am	TEENY TOES 10am TAPPY TOES 10.45am	3mths—walking  20 months to 4yrs	07912357851 Email: Mandystappytoes@hotmail.co.uk
<b>TUESDAY</b> 6pm -8.30pm	TAE KWON DO	Beginners children Intermediate/advanced adults	07930368240 Email: Leventistaylor65@.talktalk.net
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 2pm—3pm	WILDCATZ LINEDANCING	All Welcome £3.50	07913516974
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 4pm—6pm	BOX CLEVA	7-15 yrs Term Time only	Email:steve@boxcleva.net www.boxcleva.net
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 7.15pm-8.45pm	KICKSISTERS	Women ONLY Group £7 for over12 yrs old	07930368240 Email: Leventistaylor65@.talktalk.net
<b>THURSDAY</b> 5pm—7pm	Watford Palace Youth Theatre Interactive sessions	£5 refundable deposit FREE SESSIONS 13-16 yrs	01923 810307 Email: participation@watfordpalacetheatre.co.uk
<b>FRIDAY</b> 11am-3.30pm	Five Ways Friends Club	For 55+	01923 216967
<b>FRIDAY</b> 5pm-10pm	Community Night From April 2015	Everyone welcome (Children must be accompanied by adults)	The HUB 01923 679664 Like us on  "Leavesden Green Community Hub"
<b>SATURDAY</b> 9.30am- 11.30am	TAE KWON DO	Beginners children Intermediate/advanced adults	Leventistaekwondo.co.uk
<b>MON—FRI</b> Term time only	Shining Stars Pre - School	Morning and Afternoon sessions	07964737367 <a href="http://www.shiningstarspreschool.co.uk">www.shiningstarspreschool.co.uk</a> 



May 2015		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
MAIN HALL	a.m.	Sunshine Childrens Centre Toddler Group (Term Time) 09.30 – 11.30	Dine Out Tuesday Lunch Club (3 <sup>rd</sup> of month) Menu week 3 11.15 – 14.15	Apex Multisports 50+ Keep-Fit (Term Time) 10.00 – 11.00 <hr/> Coffee Break 11.00 – 13.00		NHS Partnership Trust – Wellbeing Group 10.00 – 13.00	P.A.C.E.Y Paediatric 1 <sup>st</sup> Aid (Ad-hoc) 9.00 – 17.00	W.I.A. Yoga Classes 9.00 – 10.30
	p.m.			NHS Parts Trust Service User Group (last of month) 12.00 – 14.00				Watford United Pentecostal Church 11:30-14:00
	eve	Radlett Rd Comm Assoc (2 <sup>nd</sup> of month) 19.30 – 21.00		P.H.A.B. 19:00 – 21:00 (except last of mth)		Table Tennis 17.30 – 18.30 Youth Club 18.45 – 20.45	Tree of Life Church 18.00 – 22.00	Vathalayam 14.30-18.30
I.T. SUITE	a.m.		Gingerbread Job Club (5 week course) 10.00 – 12.30					
	eve			P.H.A.B. 19:00 – 21:00 (1 <sup>st</sup> of month)				
ANNEXE GROUND FLOOR	a.m.					Herts County Council Family Group (Ad-hoc) 10.00 – 13.00		
	p.m.							
	eve							
ANNEXE FIRST FLOOR	a.m.		Spurgeons Separated parent programme (Ad-hoc) 9.30 – 15.00					
	p.m.							
	eve			SAHAJA YOGA 19.15 – 21.15				
Michelle		08.30 – 15.45	08.30 – 14.30	08.30 – 14.30	N.W.D.	08.30 – 14.30		
Palmira		05.00 – 08.00	05.00 – 08.00	N.W.D.	05.00 – 08.00	05.00 – 08.00		
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# Meriden Community Centre

		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
		26/01/15	27/01/15	28/01/15	29/01/15	30/01/15	31/01/15	01/02/15
MAIN HALL	MORNING		EXTRA TIME 10.00-12.00	50+ KEEP FIT 10.00-11.00	MERIDEN GROUP STAY & PLAY 09.30-11.30	50+ YOGA 10.00-11.30		
	AFTERNOON	50+ Line Dancing 2.30-4.00	WATFORD FRIENDSHIP 1.00- 5.00 3RD TUESDAY IN MONTH		VJ SCHOOL OF DANCE DISCO DANCING 17.00-19.75			
	EVENING	JUDO 7.00 - 10.00		JUDO 19.00-10.00	VJ SCHOOL OF DANCE BALLROOM DANCE 8.00 - 22.00	BINGO 7.00-9.30		
SMALL HALL	MORNING		WATFORD ART CLUB 10.00-12-00	DINKY DANCERS 10.00-11.00	WATFORD ART CLUB 10.15-12-15	WATFORD ART CLUB 10.15-12-15		CHRIST EMBASSY CHURCH 9.00-1.00
	AFTERNOON				WATFORD ART CLUB 13.30-15.30			CHRIST EMBASSY CHURCH 4.00- 8.00 1ST SUNDAY IN MONTH
	EVENING			HARVEST END LADIES 7.00-10.00				
CLUB ROOM	EVENING		SCALE MODEL CLUB 2ND TUES IN MONTH 8.00-10.00	CHRIST EMBASSY 7.00-9.00				
CLUB ROOM	EVENING							
BAR	EVENING		YOUTH CLUB 5.45-9.15		YOUTH CLUB 5.45-9.15			
MUGA	EVENING		PL LEAGUE KICKS 6.00-8.00					



# March 2015 - April 2015

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	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
2 - 7/3	<b>2 Mar</b> 09:00 12:00 Coffee Morning 12:15 13:15 Tai Chi 19:00 20:00 Italian for Holidays, Fun & Pleas	<b>3</b> 09:30 11:00 Over 50's Exercise 12:00 15:00 ESOL from CAD 18:30 21:00 Yoga - 2 clas	<b>4</b> 09:00 12:00 Toddlers 19:00 20:00 Joanna Goldberg - Aerobics	<b>5</b> 19:00 21:00 Westie LETS Social	<b>6</b> 09:00 12:00 Toddlers 17:00 19:00 Indian Classical Children's Da 20:00 22:00 Ambassadors of Christ	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> 12:30 14:30 Dawat-e-Islami 15:30 16:30 Catechism Classes for Malayalee Community (Hall, Holy
	<b>9</b> 09:00 12:00 Coffee Morning 12:15 13:15 Tai Chi 14:00 16:00 Crochet, Knit 19:00 20:00 Italian for Ho	<b>10</b> 09:30 11:00 Over 50's Exercise 12:00 15:00 ESOL from CAD 18:30 21:00 Yoga - 2 clas	<b>11</b> 09:00 12:00 Toddlers	<b>12</b> 19:00 21:30 West Watford Local History Group	<b>13</b> 09:00 12:00 Toddlers 17:00 19:00 Indian Classical Children's Da 20:00 22:00 Ambassadors of Christ	<b>14</b> 10:00 13:00 Crafty Sew & Sews	<b>15</b> 12:30 14:30 Dawat-e-Islami - to pay 15:30 16:30 Catechism Classes for Malayalee
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	<b>23</b> 09:00 12:00 Coffee Morning 12:15 13:15 Tai Chi 14:00 16:00 Crochet, Knit 19:00 20:00 Italian for Ho	<b>24</b> 09:30 11:00 Over 50's Exercise 12:00 15:00 ESOL from CAD 18:30 21:00 Yoga - 2 clas	<b>25</b> 09:00 12:00 Toddlers 19:00 20:00 Joanna Goldberg - Aerobics	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> 09:00 12:00 Toddlers 17:00 19:00 Indian Classical Children's Dance	<b>28</b> 09:00 17:00 Craft Sale / Vintage Tea Room	<b>29</b> 12:30 14:30 Dawat-e-Islami - to pay
16 - 21/3	<b>30</b> 09:00 12:00 Coffee Morning 12:15 13:15 Tai Chi 19:00 20:00 Italian for Holidays, Fun & Pleas	<b>31</b> 09:30 11:00 Over 50's Exercise 12:00 15:00 ESOL - Amira's class only 18:30 21:00 Yoga - 2 clas	<b>1 Apr</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
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### Community Centres Task Group Review – Actions for meeting 26 May 2015

<b>Community Centre</b>	<b>Marketing/Promotion</b>	<b>Profile of users</b> - This information will be presented at the Task Group meeting.	<b>Recommendation for next Commissioning Framework</b>
<b>Holywell</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Quarterly W3RT 'What's on' guide</li> <li>• W3RT website</li> <li>• WBC 'What's On' and About Watford</li> <li>• Social media</li> <li>• Posters</li> <li>• Press releases</li> <li>• Holywell mailing list</li> <li>• Websites including hallshire.com and Cylex business directory</li> </ul>		<p>Continue to fund for three years to provide stability. This will allow for any opportunities arising from the Sports Facility Strategy to be considered and enable W3RT to maximise income potential through the hall hire for the following proposed activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• charitable fundraising events</li> <li>• business events and conferences</li> <li>• private hires including wedding receptions</li> <li>• health and wellbeing activities that target evidenced health issues in local area</li> </ul>
<b>Orbital</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Advertisement in school prospectus (Francis Coombe)</li> <li>• YMCA website</li> <li>• My Garston</li> <li>• Watford Observer</li> <li>• Word of mouth</li> </ul>		<p>Continue to fund for three years to provide stability. This will enable the YMCA to consider redevelopment and funding opportunities that will help them to become self sustaining. There are also community development opportunities with the influx of new residents as a result of the new Watford Community Housing Trust housing development.</p>
<b>Leavesden Green</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In house marketing department</li> <li>• Social media</li> <li>• Word of mouth and door knocking</li> </ul>		<p>Continue to fund for two years up to April 2017, after which Watford Community Housing Trust will continue with their long lease (99 years) on the condition of using the building for community activities. This will be embedded in the lease as a</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Leaflets and display boards</li> <li>• Watford Observer</li> <li>• Vive FM</li> <li>• Housing Trust website</li> </ul>		Community Use Agreement.
<b>Centrepont</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flyers</li> <li>• Posters</li> <li>• WBC 'What's On'</li> <li>• Working with Council's communication team on a brochure of centre's activities to be sent out to residents</li> </ul>		<p>The Council will continue to manage the centre on an interim basis within a budget envelope of £69k whilst further discussions take place with regard to the future of the centre. These will allow the opportunity to consider</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Any impacts from the Property Review</li> <li>• Outcomes from the Watford Community Housing Trust's Community Options Study</li> <li>• Exploring partnership opportunities around future management of the building</li> </ul>
<b>Meriden</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• About Watford</li> <li>• My Watford News</li> <li>• WBC 'What's On'</li> <li>• Watford FC Match day programme</li> <li>• Residents newsletter</li> <li>• Centre brochure</li> <li>• Have attended community fairs/fun days</li> <li>• Watford FC Sports and Education Trust website</li> </ul>		Continue to fund for three years whilst redevelopment of the site is completed. We would require the Watford Football Sports and Education Trust (WFC Trust) to submit a comprehensive business plan with evidence of moving towards becoming self-sustaining from April 2019.
<b>West Watford Community Association (WWCA)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Posters in front window</li> <li>• West Watch community newsletter</li> <li>• Website</li> </ul>		Continue to fund for three years whilst WWCA explore opportunities for income generation and future alternative premises/partnerships.

	<a href="http://www.westwatford.org.uk">www.westwatford.org.uk</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WWCA Facebook page</li> <li>• WBC 'What's On' and About Watford</li> <li>• Imagine Watford</li> <li>• Local Tesco store</li> <li>• On WBC,HCC and Best of Watford websites</li> </ul>		
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### **Sport England Community Activation Fund – Action plan activities using Centrepont venue**

Centrepont community centre is one of various venues in the Central area receiving support through the Community Activation Fund. This fund is an external fund and is administered by the Council's Sports Development Officer.

#### **Activities supported at Centrepont Community Centre**

- 50+ Keep Fit
- Table Tennis coach for both sessions
- Training of volunteers e.g. safeguarding/1<sup>st</sup> Aid/DBS checks
- MUGA – Kicks Football (run by Watford Football Club Trust)

