

Performance Report for the Community Centres April – September 2018

Key highlights include:

- Building improvements are taking place at Guild Hall, a new floor is being laid in the main hall and new blinds have been fitted throughout
- 23 celebration parties held at Community Centres during the period
- Due to the refurbishment at Worsley Leisure Centre, some groups have re-located to Guild Hall & Beesley Green community centres
- Public consultation meetings regarding Bridgewater canal continue to take place regularly at Boothstown Community Centre
- £1,000 of funding was granted to Boothstown by a film company who filming in the area. The money was spent on a mini make over for the Community Centre, with new blinds, a stereo and some equipment for the wonderful garden volunteers
- Various Community Centres were used as polling stations for the May elections
- Little Rascals Mother and Toddlers Group at Clifton were successful in applying for a grant from Salford Councils Health Improvement Team, this will pay for one of their two sessions each week.
- Citywest Housing ran Play Street sessions throughout the summer holidays at The Valley Community Centre
- During the May and June GCSE examination period, St Ambrose Barlow High School booked Wardley Community Centre as an overflow venue to host some additional exams
- TV Talent Drama and Dance have returned to Wardley Community Centre after using another local venue for the past year as they preferred the community feel and cleanliness of the centre
- SCL's children's Easter camp took place at Boothstown Community Centre
- Boothstown Community Centre was host to a fashion show in aid of St Anns Hospice in Little Hulton, the fundraiser raised a total of £507 for the Hospice
- During the summer, our partners at the local Health Improvement Team ran a 4 week Mini Bake Off course at Boothstown for children and parents
- Babington Training booked Rainbow community centre indefinitely for 3 days a week, the courses provide Maths and English skills for children who don't attend school
- Inspiring Communities Together ran a 5 week Tea and Tech session at Rainbow Community Centre

Spotlight

Wayne Knowles who runs the Karate Club at Guild Hall Community Centre celebrated 40 years at the centre! He charged his clients just 30p for their session which was the price he used to charge back in the late 1970's. The sessions continue to be a great asset to the community and provide local youths with positive ways to engage their energy.

Case Study

U3A Table tennis who hire Beesley Green Community Centre every Tuesday are an organisation providing life enhancing opportunities with over 20 activity groups and 260 members. The table tennis session is excellent exercise for the mind and body, it helps improve hand eye co- ordination and muscle strengthening.

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During September, Beesley Green Community Centre was booked for an 8 week mindfulness based stress reduction course. The programme teaches a number of strategies for dealing with stressful situations helping people become calm and more resilient, ultimately leading to a happier life. It combines meditation practices, discussion, research evidence and skills for coping with the stresses and strains that life presents. The sessions were something different and unique and were very well received by the local community.

Spotlight

Three ladies from the Mature Movers class at Rainbow Community Centre were chosen to take part in a car advertisement. They were taken to Spain to film the advert with all expenses paid, during the trip they took part in a carnival, drove speed boats and did indoor sky diving!



Customer Feedback:

“Clifton Community Centre “is lovely and clean”

“Beesley Green is a beautiful warm, busy and welcoming centre”

“We love the array of sessions held at Boothstown and the warm welcoming feel of the centre and its staff, the gardens outside are immaculate”

Forthcoming events and activities:

- Christmas parties, fairs and carol services will be held at a variety of community centres
- October will see the return of Worlsey Woods Action group at Beesley Green community centre
- Halloween activities
- Building improvements
- New bookings
- Winter planting

For more information please see:

<http://www.salfordcommunityleisure.co.uk>