

Somer Valley Forum 6pm Wed 20 Sept



- Opened in Feb 2021 during the pandemic
- Formerly a Youth Hub run by B&NES Council
- 30 year lease at a peppercorn rent as long as youth activities continue



- Three Aims
- Youth Work: To deliver Open Access Youth Work in support of the young people of the village
 - Three open access sessions per week 4 5.30pm Mon, Wed, Fri run by qualified youth worker employed 3 days per week
 - Healthy snacks and drinks provided
 - Craft, Sports, Video Games, Films provided
 - Three trips per year
 - Detached work in the summer months
 - Needs? Adequate funding and more volunteers



- Facilities: To hire out the Hive facilities to residents of Peasedown St John
 - Sport's Hall and outside Sport's Court
 - Two small meeting rooms for up to 10 people round table
 - One small meeting room with soft seating
 - One large meeting room for up to 20 people round table, 30 theatre style
 - Most meeting rooms equipped with Smart TV for presentations
 - Art room, large worktable, two large Belfast sinks
 - Fully fitted catering kitchen
 - Large social area, ideal for children's birthday parties.



- The Hive Hire Rates per hour
 - Sport's Hall £16.50Sport's Court £11.00
 - Acacia Room, Heather Room, Art Room £11.00
 - Lavender Room and Clover Room
 - Kitchen

£16.50

£9.00



- Who are our users?
 - Badminton group, dance and exercise classes, cheerleaders
 - 4 x wellbeing groups, crafts and art groups, book club, 2 x bereavement groups, baby sensory group, counselling, 2 x childminder's groups
 - B&NES Family Support teams
 - Capstone Foster Care, HCRG Carrswood Centre, HCRG Connections, Women's Institute, PSJ Primary School, Hillcrest Surgery, Carers Centre
 - Birthday parties, tabletop sales, Christmas Fair, Pop-Up eventsand more



- Community: To deliver Community Projects to support the residents of Peasedown St John
 - Café: run by SWALLOW Charity, training young adults with learning difficulties in catering skills
 - Library: run by Peasedown Community Trust
 - Children's Play area: a magnet for parents and carers and their pre-school children
 - Food Pantry: support 30 families
 - Community Fridge: open to all and helping to reduce food waste.
 - Registered as a Warm Space last winter.
 - More to be done? Activities of older people, Jobs Club, Money Advice......etc



- The building:
 - Raised £60K for set up and renovations
 - IT, phones and automatic locking system installed
 - CCTV upgraded
 - Kitchen and café equipment and furniture
 - Decorated most parts of the building
 - New floors in kitchen, main area, and corridor
 - Meeting room furniture.
 - Toilet and small kitchenette in top area of the building.
 - Still to do: Main toilets, energy efficiency work, gardens and grounds.



Thank you

Any Questions?