



Celebrating Community Centre Week 2017

Community Centre Week runs from 19th – 25th July and aims to remind everyone how important community centres are to our neighbourhoods – how much amazing work they do, and that we should never take them for granted. Initially started by a group of centres in London, this year WCAVA wants to also take time out to celebrate our local hidden treasures.

Community Centre name	Exhall Old School Community Centre
Contact details	School Lane, Exhall, Coventry, West Midlands CV7 9GL Tel: 024 7631 4746
A brief introduction and history of your centre/venue	<p>The centre was built in 1878 and operated as a school for over 100 years. The 'Old School' was closed down as a school in 1996 and it was proposed to turn the site into a gritting depot for the local council. The local residents association formed a committee to oversee the possible purchase of the building and the sale actually took place in 2001 with the help of funding from the (then) regional development agency) Advantage West Midlands and the National Lottery. The Centre is now run as a Charitable Company, under the management of nine Directors all of whom are volunteers and receive no pay. The main purpose of the Centre is to rent out space in the various rooms to local and sometimes national organisations and clubs, with a great variety of pastimes, hobbies, exercises etc.</p> <p>Alongside this, the centre runs a variety of fundraising events itself, catering for the requirements of the local population. We put on quiz nights, beetle drives, race nights, murder mysteries, games nights, musical nights, and of course our very successful Christmas fair including Santa's Grotto.</p>

Services and activities at your centre you would like to highlight

We have a packed schedule of events and activities, but we always have space to accommodate more booking. Our current list of regular classes/events is:

- Short mat bowls (2 afternoons)
- Weight watchers
- Literary group
- Bedworth Amateur Show Society
- Art classes
- Art workshop
- Coffee morning
- Tai chi
- Gardening club
- Flower arranging
- Bedworth Dog Training
- Exhall Walking Club
- Exhall Photography Club
- Line dancing
- Saturday dance school
- Zumba
- Pilates
- Martial arts class

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