Wonford Community and Learning Centre

June 2021 Update

With restrictions lifting it has been lovely to welcome back many of our regular groups and activities! Hopefully Bingo, Wednesday Club and the Tea Dance will be restarting soon.



Food Cycle

During the first lockdown, Food Cycle, who previously used the Centre to provide a free meal from donated ingredients, wanted to make up and deliver food parcels so Community Centre volunteers opened the Centre up for them. Food Cycle continued with their food parcels project for over a year and sent this message: 'A massive thank you to Wonford Community Centre and its Trustees for allowing us to continue throughout the pandemic as we have been able to deliver the equivalent of 2,400 meals using nearly 10,000kg of food over the past year!'

Now that restrictions are lifting Food Cycle have decided to go back to cooking meals, initially for collection, and have decided to move to a more central location. We would like to thank Food Cycle volunteers for all they have done in Wonford over the last five years and wish them every success at the Mint Methodist Church See www.foodcycle.org.uk for more information.

Membership

We have increased the benefits of membership while keeping the cost to £5 a year. Membership now includes discounts in the café (including 50% off drinks!) as well as reductions on personal bookings, access to bingo and the opportunity to vote at the AGM.

Youth Café

Our Youth Worker Sarah and the team have restarted the Youth Café with covid measures in place. The Youth café is for secondary school age children and is on Thursdays from 6pm -8pm in the Phoenix Suite.

Ludwell View Café

Our friendly Thursday morning Café is restarting on June 10th. There will be tables in the hall and outside (weather permitting!) and covid safe measures are in place. Thank you to our Devon County Councillor Marina Asvachin for money from her Locality Budget and to Exeter City Council for a ward grant to help with the relaunch

The food and drink is reasonably priced with vegetarian, vegan and gluten free options and there are lovely views across Wonford Playing Field to Ludwell Valley Park to enjoy. We look forward to welcoming customers old and new!

Volunteering Opportunities

If you have an hour or two to spare on a regular or occasional basis and would like to get involved with your local social enterprise then get in touch with Pauline our Volunteer Co-ordinator <u>volunteer-wclc@outlook.com</u>

Digital Inclusion Workshops

Are you struggling with digital technology? Do you want to make the most of a smartphone, laptop or tablet? Help is at hand!

We have joined with Exeter City Council and digital experts Cosmic to offer a series of free digital drop in sessions over the summer,

The sessions are from 10 am to 12.30pm on the following Tuesdays: 29th June, 6th July, 13th July, 20th July, 27th July and 3rd August

If you have any enquiries about this Update please contact the Manager, Helen, on 01392 217868 or wclcentre@outlook.com