

WDCO Board report for July 2023

Redmond Community Centre

Updates since previous meeting

- The Windrush event was a big success. 200 people attended and there was a range of entertainment including cupcake decorating for children, a sketch theatre performance and drumming workshops
- Recruitment for the My Place project is going really well. 16 people aged 13-18 applied and interviews are taking place between 12th-17th July. 8 people will be employed by MHDT to be community researchers and will begin their training in early August
- Career Wise hosted a large careers and employment workshop for young people at the centre – over 50 people attended. Careers Wise will be hosting free workshops for young people (16+) every Saturday at the Redmond Centre

Ongoing activities at the centre:

Regal Ballet, Capoeira, Mrs Independent Living, Toastmasters, EK Outreach Services, Ceramics, Active Within Healthy Lifestyle Sessions, Friday Prayers, Solution Care, Girls Friendly Society, x2 churches, Growing Communities vegetable collection, Community Fridge, Digital Connect (one to one digital support), and Lunch-Up Club.

Funding

- We submitted an application to Sports England for £15000 to run boxfit classes for families. We are awaiting a response
- We are looking for funding from the partners to deliver a Jamaican Independence Day event on 6th August
- We are hoping to deliver a smaller version of HRF this year at the Redmond Centre and will be speaking to Berkeley/NHG/LBH about this shortly

We are working on a large fundraising application that will support us to deliver a range of projects over the next few years. We are hoping to submit this in August

Usage of RCC

We are implementing a new booking system and are working on developing our reporting structure.

Based on our standard opening hours, these are the percentages the rooms were booked for in the month of June:

Room name	Total Hours	Percentage booked
Main Hall	163.5	73%
Room 1	118	53%
Room 2	198	88%
Kitchen	166.5	74%

Total number of attendees 7300.

By next month, we hope to be able to give a breakdown of the types of activities and bookings – e.g. private bookings, organisations booking the facilities, classes and events open to the public, but we are still working on our data analysis for this.

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