



# **WDCO REPORT**

## **MANOR HOUSE DEVELOPMENT TRUST**

For the period February 2025



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## EMPOWERING

- Provided free financial skills workshop for teenagers.
- Provided cycling courses to help young people to learn to cycle.
- A new contract agreed with Active Within to provide a range of fitness and sport activities at the RCC beginning March 25

## CONNECTING

- Collaborating with London School of Architecture and Hackney Showroom on Hidden River Festival and youth pavilion proposals.
- Connected residents through Kitchen Social activities and exploring resident-led food co-op.

## CREATING THE SPACE

- Working on bid for pavilion build project with young people
- Discussion continues with NHG regarding Phase 3 Community Space
- Attended the Woodberry Down Round Table

## A ROBUST AND SUSTAINABLE ORGANISATION

- Income from bookings at the RCC continues to exceed targets
- Working on joint funding bids with Lunch Up Club, LBH, London School of Architecture
- Other large bids in with National Lottery

## INFLUENCING THE POWERFUL

- Delivered youth workshops in Scottish Highlands, Yorkshire and Sussex as part of British Academy research project
- Hosted LDT-wide Trustee conference
- Collaborating with local and London-wide resilience partners







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### Projects

- In February we distributed over 900kg of fresh food through Community Fridge (~2,150 meals\*), issued 47 Hackney Foodbank vouchers (~950 meals\*), and supported asylum seekers to cook 150 meals.
- During half term we delivered several activities:
- Kitchen Social: we provided free home cooked lunches for 53 children across 3 days, and activities including a sports day
- In partnership with Cycle Confident we delivered free cycling courses for 7-16 year olds. 11 attendees over 3 days.
- We also provided a financial skills workshop for 13-19 year olds, in partnership with Set Them Up Foundation.





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### ***Projects continued***

- We hosted a work experience student from St.Thomas More School. They supported Community Fridge, delivered flyers for half term and organised the posters at the RCC.
- MHDT are working with Hackney Showroom and London School of Architecture to secure funding for a youth built pavilion project in September.
- We hosted a heatwave emergency scenario exercise to test how the RCC would support residents during an extreme weather event.
- Co-operation Town are working with Community Fridge attendees to establish a food co-op from the RCC.







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The poster features a light blue sky with a city skyline in the background. In the foreground, there's a green park with a white swan, a wooden bench, and two children riding bicycles. The child on the left is a boy with dark skin wearing a blue shirt and orange shorts. The child on the right is a girl with light skin wearing a pink shirt and blue pants. Both are wearing purple helmets. The text is arranged in a central white cloud-like shape.

**CYCLE CONFIDENT** **FREE BEGINNERS CYCLE TRAINING** **REDMOND** | COMMUNITY CENTRE

**Hackney** **ZERO EMISSIONS NETWORK**

**FOR CHILDREN AGED 7-12**

**18/19/20TH FEBRUARY**

**LOCATION**  
**REDMOND COMMUNITY CENTRE, KAYANI AVENUE,**  
**WOODBERRY DOWN, N4 2HF**

**LIMITED PLACES AVAILABLE-SIGN UP BELOW**

**WWW.CYCLECONFIDENT.COM**

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### *Projects continued*

- Ongoing regular activities include Active Within yoga, Regal Ballet, MRS Independent Living over 55's exercise class, Friday prayers, Junior Youth Group, Lunch Up Club, Kitchen Club, ceramics class and Girls Friendly Society.
- Upcoming projects include an International Women's Day event (8th March) and our annual Eid party (5th April).
- Woodberry Wetlands action group are preparing for their forum on Tuesday 25th March, 1.30-3.30pm at the Redmond Community Centre. It will be targeted at residents experiencing social isolation caused by long-term health conditions. There will be an interactive workshop to better understand what works when navigating services and finding out information, a social prescriber will be present to support residents. This is also a chance to meet your neighbours and enjoy some music. Free refreshments provided. If you would like to be involved in the forum please get in touch with Finn at [fionnuala.kc@ldtgroup.org.uk](mailto:fionnuala.kc@ldtgroup.org.uk).





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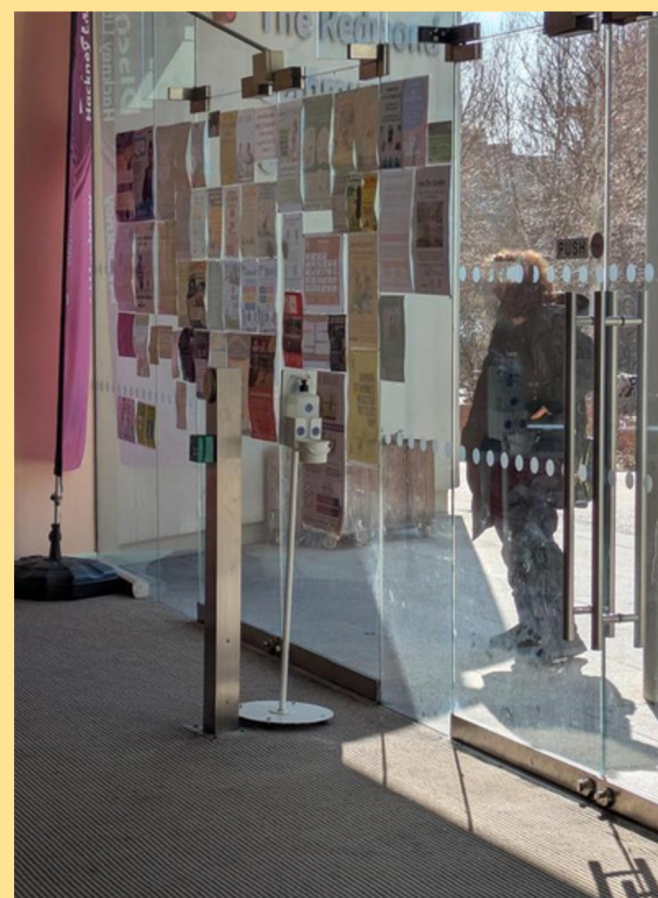
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**Some snapshots of local residents looking at our selection of leaflets. We found a lot of our sign-ups for our half-term activities came through our leaflets on the window. The flyers have recently been organised into three sections:**

- What's on at the RCC**
- What's on in the local area**
- Statutory services such as NHS screenings/debt advice.**

**We are also working on updating our website but often receive feedback that the leaflets are welcomed particularly for residents who do not have access to the internet.**







# NEWS AND EVENTS: GOVERNANCE



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Update regarding MHDТ's relationship (subsidiary) with London Development Trust (parent company)

Across the social sector – local authorities, central government and the VCS sector - are seeing budgets cut and pressure put on funding, in particular grant funding. These issues are not limited to MHDТ and LDT.

- In order to be a more resilient organisation, in recent years, LDT has been expanding its operational scope to share expertise and bring in income more broadly through (among other things):
  - Offering consultancy to other sites on community aspects of regeneration
  - Delivering social policy research contracts
  - Developing paid educational courses in partnership with higher education institutions.
- In light of projected future financial challenges to the entire sector, LDT is considering changes to its group structure to make sure it is as resilient as possible. These changes will seek to centralise central costs more effectively, improve internal efficiency through more streamlined accounting and reporting and to make it easier to have multiple, flexible income streams to make the organisation.
- Focus remains on ensuring robust place based local governance structures and grassroots engagement, while simultaneously building financial resilience
- Options include merging individual companies to better distribute risks, assets and central costs, and separating the companies entirely. Discussions with the board of trustees are ongoing and will involve partner organisations at the earliest appropriate intervals.



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## SUMMARY

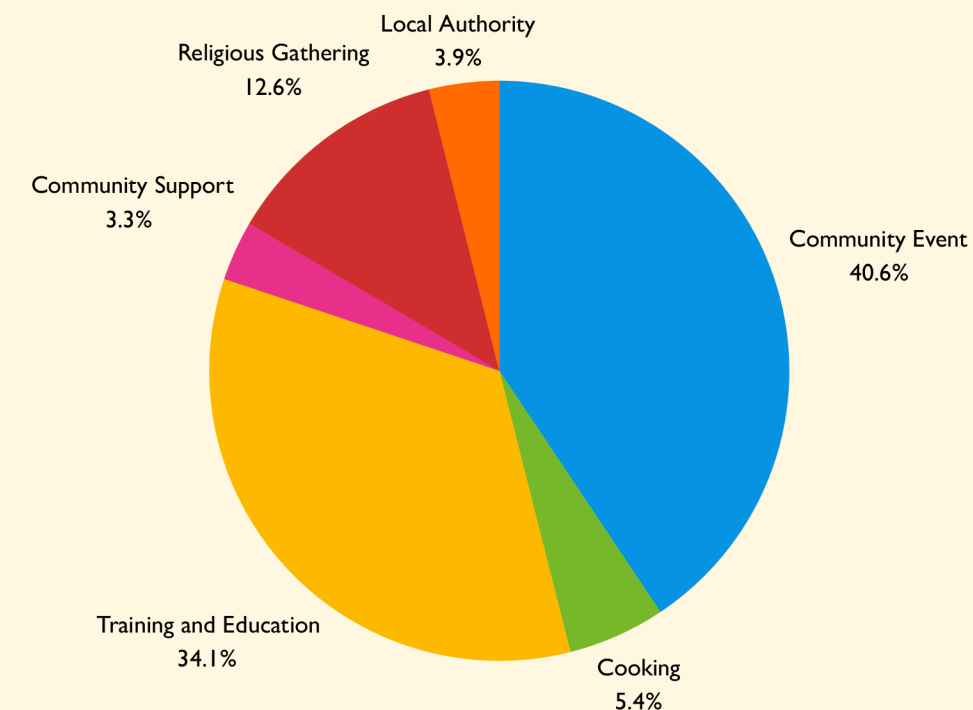
- These charts provide data on use of the RCC between 1st February - 28th February 2025. We host different activities, some of which are open to the public, including church services, prayer meetings, exercise groups and community events. Community event represents events that are open to the public for free or at low cost eg: church, youth group, vegetable collection, yoga etc. Community Support events are bookings that provide support for disadvantaged members of the community, e.g. Refugee cooking sessions, SEND support etc.
- The graph at the bottom right illustrates the percentage of the booking type we have at Redmond. Our primary bookings are regular reservations, which occur weekly or monthly and are offered at a discounted rate. LDT Funded bookings will be termed as booking that are funded fully or partially by LDT and no/little hiring fee has been charged for these bookings.
- Our office space is fully utilized, with three rooms currently booked on a monthly basis by Hackney Works, Hackney Libraries and Ek Outreach (shown as office space in the Chart). Additionally, we accommodate private and community events, which may or may not be LDT funded.



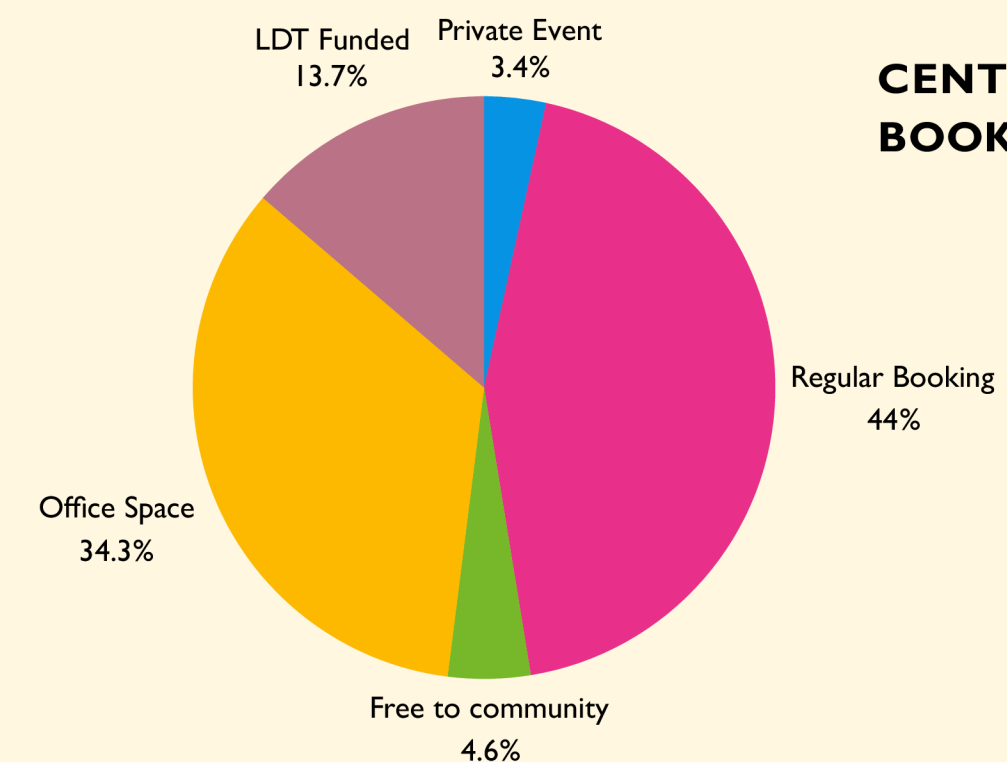
## TRAFFIC (TOTAL ATTENDEES)

3600 approx

## CENTRE USE BY ACTIVITY



## CENTRE USE BY BOOKING TYPE





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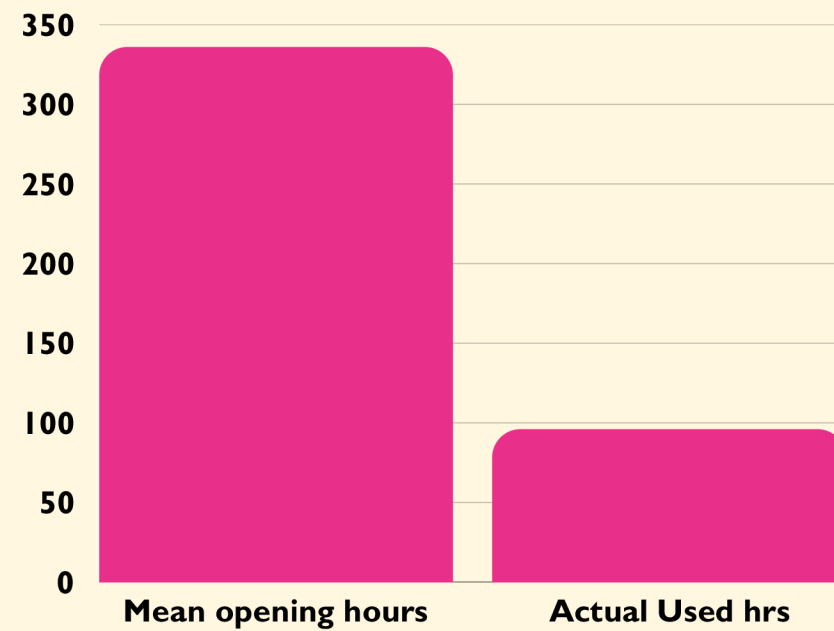


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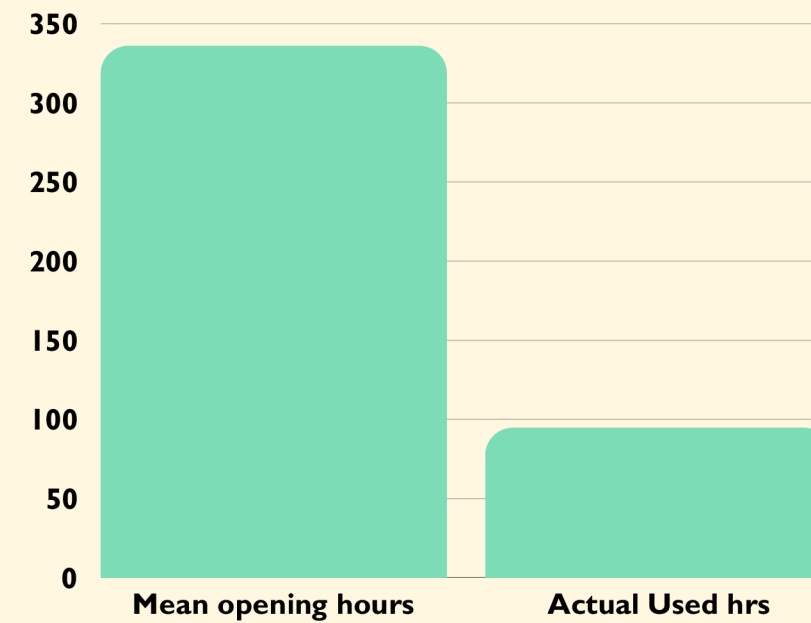


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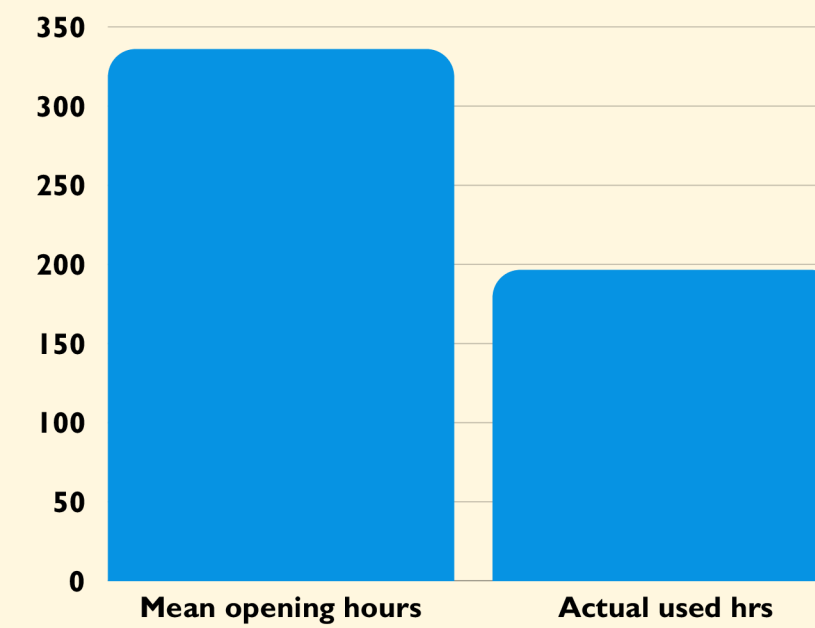
## MAIN HALL



## ROOM ONE



## ROOM TWO

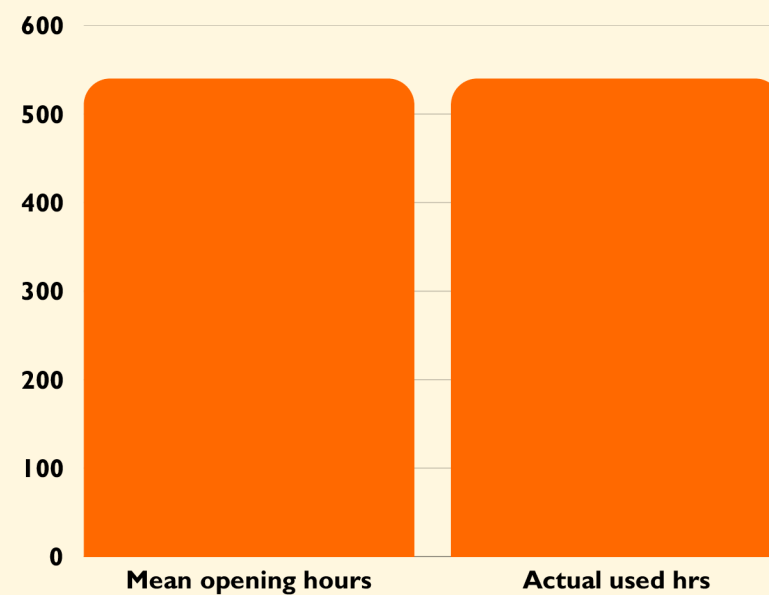


## ROOMS

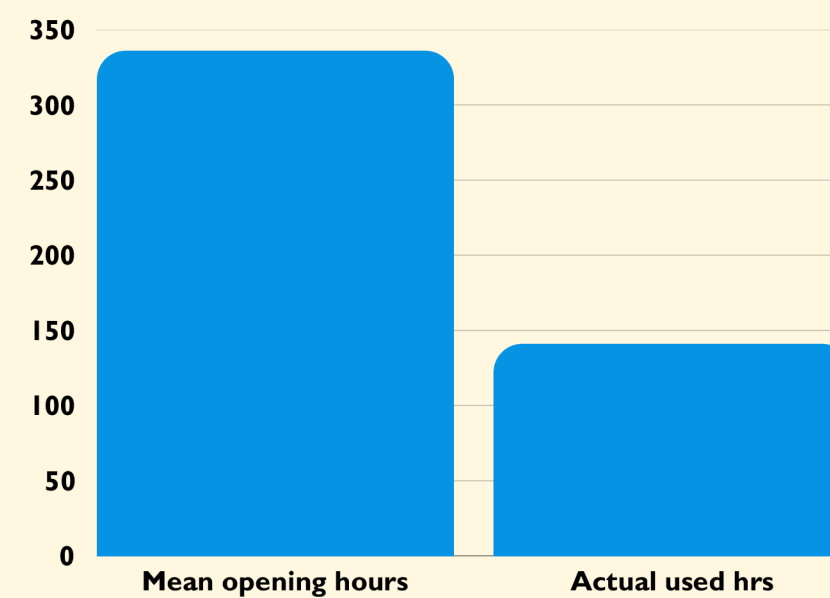
The Mean opening hours indicates hours from Mon-Sun 9am - 9pm for the whole month of February. These are the average we are open for the month of February.

The Actual Used hours in the bar represents, the hours the room is actually booked. These figures are for the whole month of February.

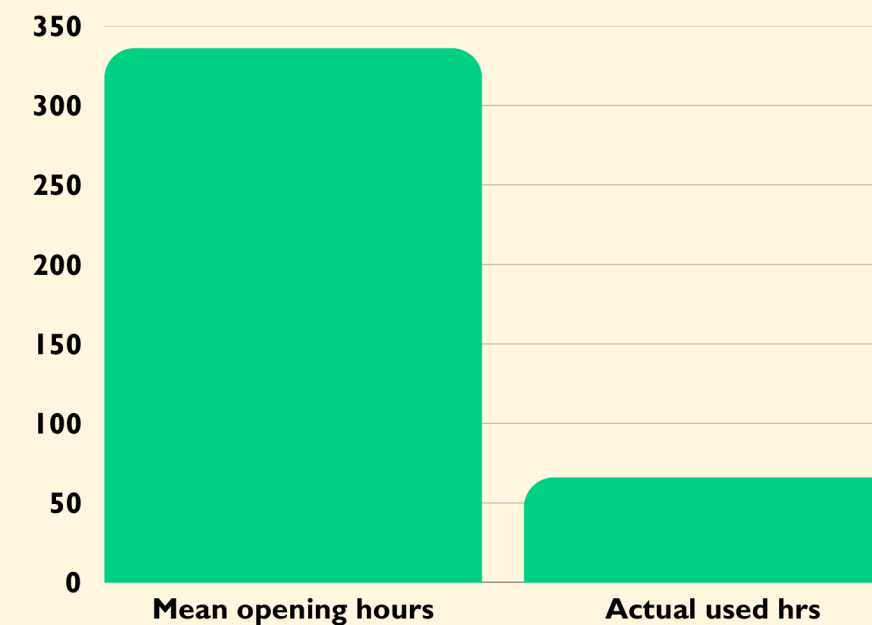
## OFFICE SPACE



## KITCHEN



## SOCIAL AREA



Please note, **OFFICE SPACE** is the 3 rooms that are rented by Hackney works, Hackney Library and Ek-Outreach on a monthly basis. Used Mon-Fri 9am - 6pm and thus shown as fully occupied.





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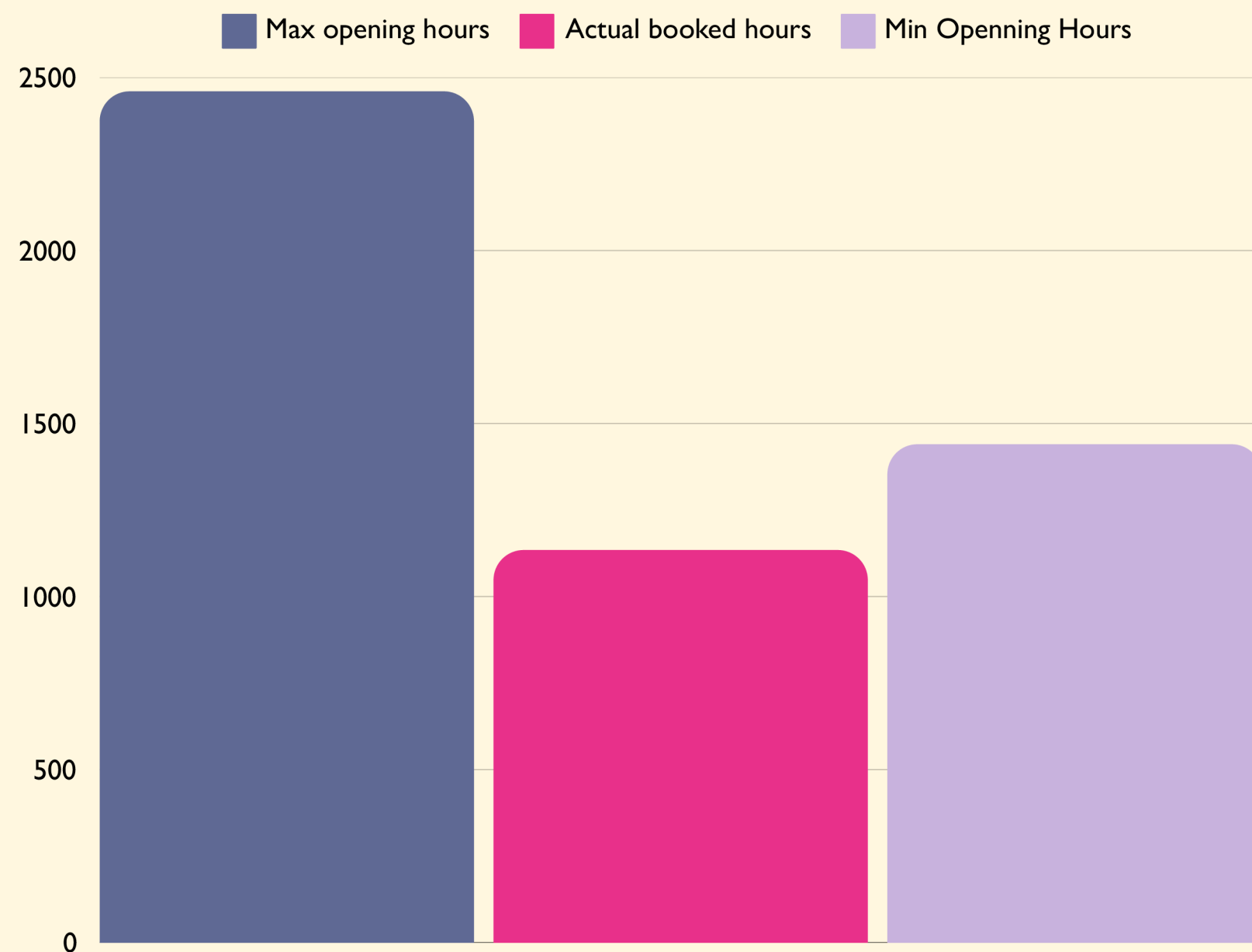


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## TOTAL CENTRE USE: HOURS BOOKED OVER HOURS AVAILABLE TO BOOK (FOR ALL ROOMS/ROOM COMBINATIONS)



## THE GRAPH ON THE LEFT REPRESENTS THE TOTAL USAGE OF THE CENTRE.

The Maximum opening hours indicates hours from Mon-Sat 9am - 11pm and Sun 9am - 9pm for the whole month of February. These are the maximum hours we can be open. On average we close between 9 pm and 9:30pm.

The Actual Used hours in the bar represents, the hours the room is actually booked. These figures are for the whole month of February.

The Minimum opening hours indicates the working hours that we are open regardless of bookings at the centre. That is Mon-Fri 9am - 6pm.



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The graph on the right represents the weekly occupancy of the centre in hours. This data is for the whole month of February. We are busiest on Wednesdays and Sundays, with an average of 7-8 bookings each week falling on Wednesdays and 5-6 on a Sunday. Saturdays are the least utilised day, with an average of 2-3 bookings falling on the day.

### CENTRE USE ACROSS THE WEEK IN HOURS :

