



WDCO REPORT MANOR HOUSE DEVELOPMENT TRUST

For the period April 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 contineus with NHG regarding Phase 3 Community Space
- Income from bookings at the RCC continues to exceed targets

A ROBUST AND SUSTAINABLE ORGANISATION

- Contract signed with NHG for community development activities on Woodberry Down for 25/26
- Zimmie has now moved on to cover a new job. A new member of staff Cerys Hill will be coverening the Taste of Home project

INFLUENCING THE POWERFUL

- Meetings held with LBH
 Cabinet Member for
 Community Joe Walker
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- Updates on the proposed charity merger of MHDT and LDT are contained on page 6 and in a seperate repor







NEWS AND EVENTS: PROJECT UPDATES













Projects

- In April we distributed over 700kg of fresh food through Community Fridge (~1700 meals*), issued 32 Hackney Foodbank vouchers (~780 meals*), and supported asylum seekers to cook 150 meals. We are in conversation with LBH about continuing the community kitchen as there is high demand for it.
- MHDT facilitated 5 Kitchen Social sessions over the Easter holiday with a range of different activities such as an Easter egg hunt and Spring themed arts and crafts. We had 87 attendees over the 5 sessions.
- In partnership with Hackney Council there was I-week of free cycling sessions over the Easter holidays for families to take part in. We are inviting everyone to take part in the Woodberry Down led bike ride to Hoxton from I0am. This is part of the London Cycling Festival on Sunday 25th May. There is free bike hire available! Please click here to reserve a space or pick up a flyer at the Redmond Community Centre to find out more.

*based on WRAP food guidelines of 420g per meal















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Come and find out how joining a local food co-op could save you money!

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Projects continued

- MHDT concluded work on a community resilience hubs project with Gorundwork, British Red Cross and Hackney Emergency Planning teams. Outcomes include an action plan for MHDT to implement, including creation of a Community Emergency Plan for Woodberry Down.
- We distributed 10 free laptops from the National Device bank to digitally excluded residents, in partnership with Friends of Woodberry Down, who are now delivering follow up digital skills training.
- We organised the Eid event on the 12th April with funding from NHG, Berkeley Homes and LBH. We also fundraised it for independently. We had approx 500 people attending. It was a free for community event with complimentary food, and activities for children.















Phase 3 Community Space

LDT/MHDT are in discussions with NHG on leasing the community room in Phase 3. A business plan has been submitted and WDCO will be updated as and when disucssions have progressed,

Town Hall Meeting

MHDT SMT attended a Town Hall meeting with the Cabinet Member for Communities Cllr Joe Walker. The meeting was held with other larger voluntary sector groups in LB Hackney such as Hackney CVS; The Volunteer Centre; Shorditch Trust and Age Concern. The meeting focused on cuts from the LB Hackney Grants Programme, financial challenges facing voluntary groups and the role of Hacknehy CVS. SMT will have a follow up meeting with Cllr Joe on 13th May.

Update on LDT and MHDT Merger

Update regarding MHDT's relationship (subsidiary) with London Development Trust (parent company). Following requests from WDCO are more detailed report has been submitted to this Month's WDCO meeting. The report contains an update from last months Dash Board with more detailed background information available to increase understanding amongst residents on the rationale for the proposed Merger. WDCO members and residents should note that the merger is still in a discussion stage.

Friends of Woodberry Down at the RCC

Along with Cllr and MHDT Board Member Sarah Young MHDT SMT met with Friends of Woodberry Down to discuss use of the Redmond Centre for older estate residents. The meeting was very positive and a meeting with Redmond Centre managment, stakeholders such as Nottinghill Genesis and Berkeley Homes is due to held in the near future. As well as looking to provide a home for the Friends on Tuesdays LDT will assist with fund rasing bids and is currently scoping a bid to the Worshipful Company of Mercers in the City of London.







- These charts provide data on use of the RCC between 1st April and 30th April 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.
- 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





Community Support 3.9%

Meetings



Religious Gathering



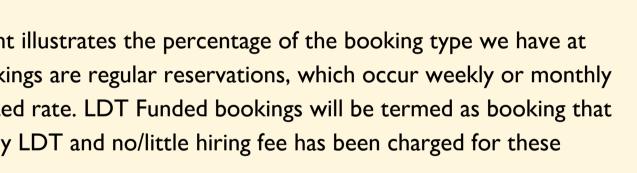
Community Event

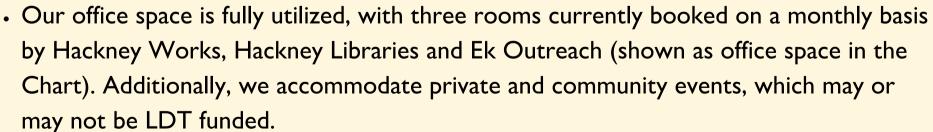


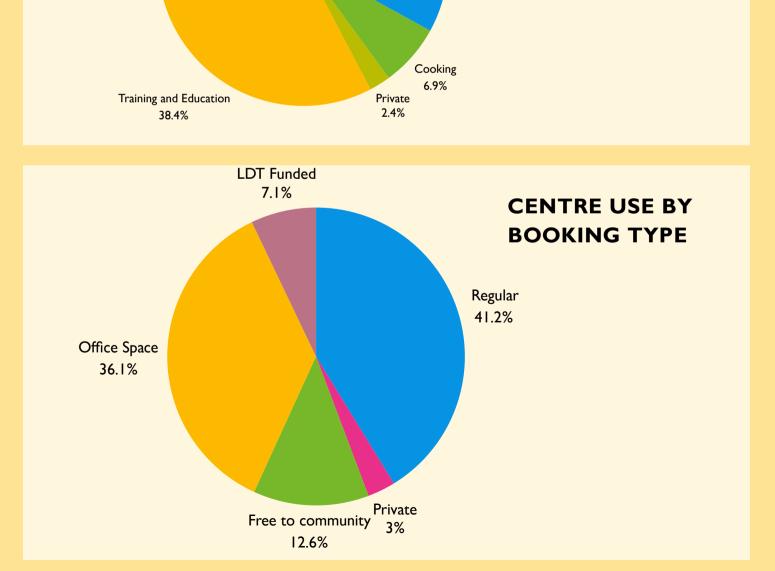
CENTRE USE BY ACTIVITY













CENTRE USE TWO

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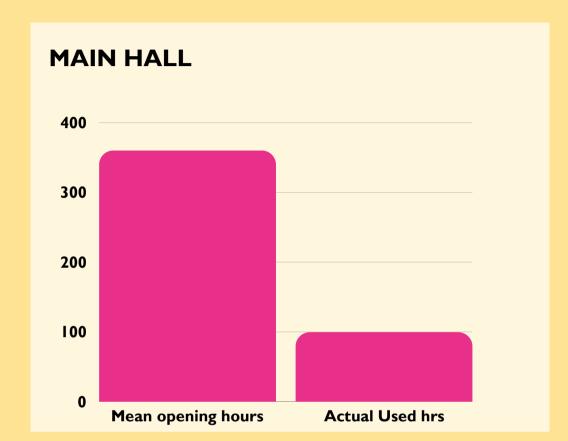




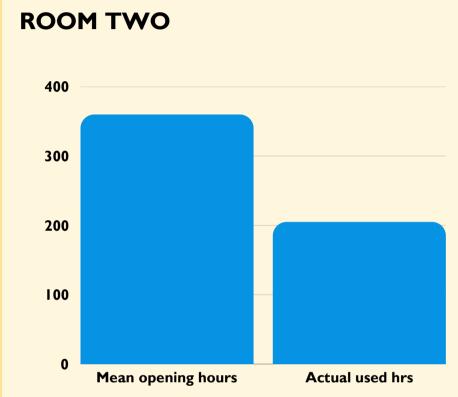


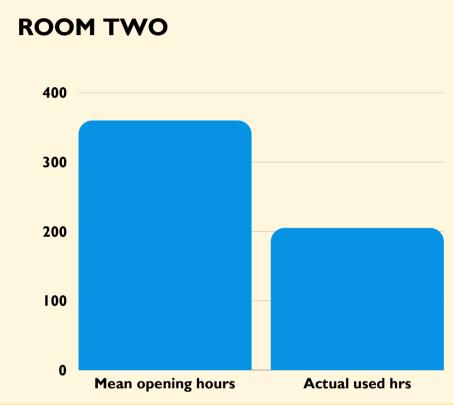














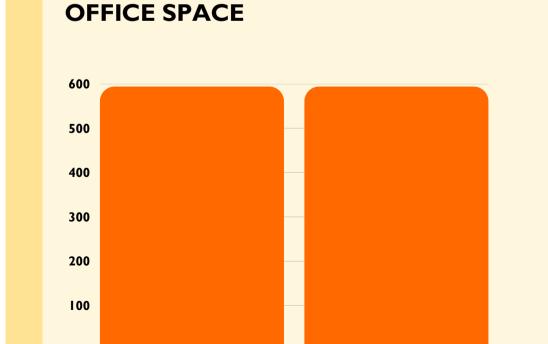
ROOMS

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

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

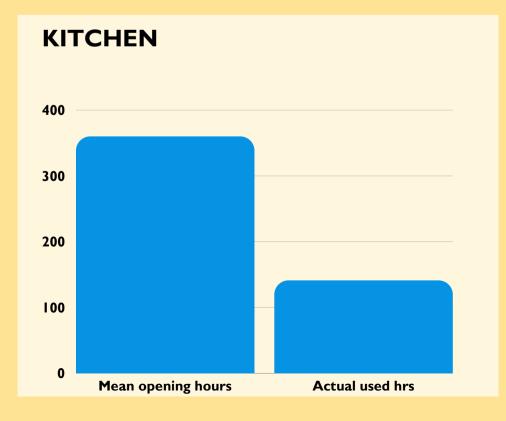
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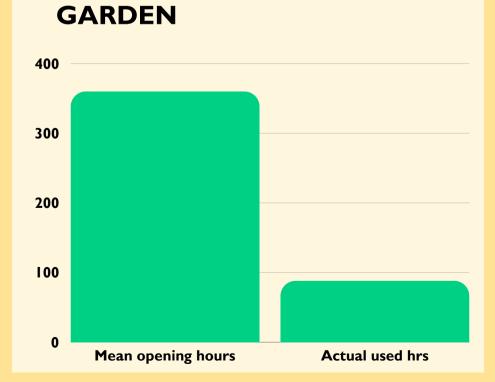
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Actual used hrs

Mean opening hours









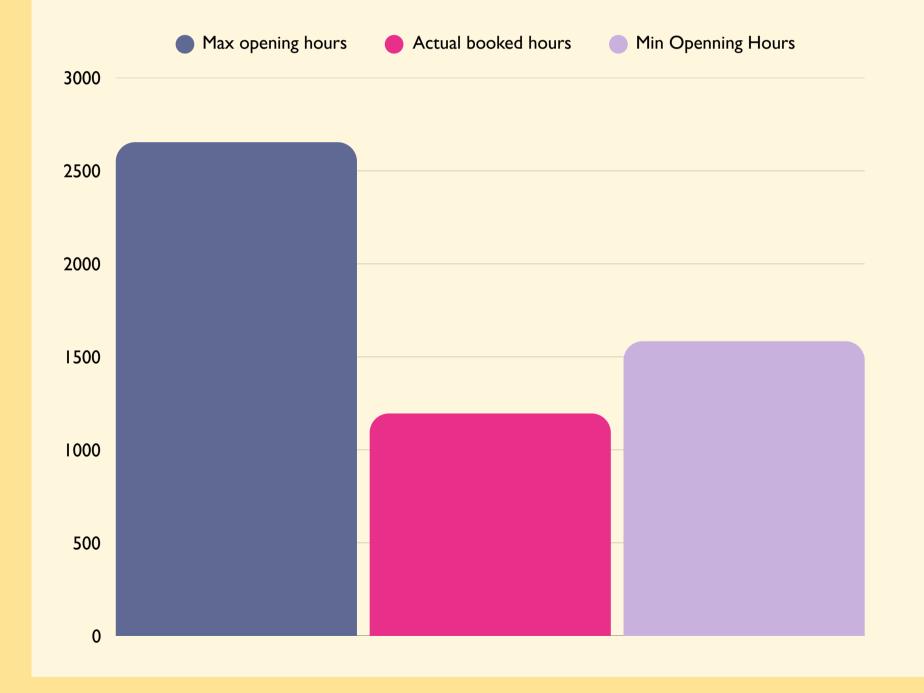








TOTAL CENTRE USE: HOURS BOOKED OVER HOURS AVAILABLE TO BOOK (FOR ALL ROOMS/ROOM COMBINATIONS)



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.













The graph on the right represents the weekly occupancy of the centre in hours. This data is for the whole month of March. We are busiest on Wednesdays and Thursdays, with an average of 6-7 bookings each week falling on Wednesdays and 4-5 on a Thursday. Mondays are the least

utilised day, with an average of 2-3

bookings falling on the day.





