

Beechwood Community Centre

Beechwood (Halton) Community Centre CIC - a community interest company

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To all homeowners

11th November 2021

Thank you to those people who attended the AGM last night I think we can safely say that the issues raised in the survey were addressed and we were able to discuss the Centre's business in a constructive and polite manner. The presentation slides and the notes will be available for you to view on the owner's section of the website shortly.

To those who did not attend or make any representations to the Directors, we can only assume that you are content with the way our Centre business is being managed on your behalf. I hope you found the information pack which traced the last ten years history helpful, many of the topics in the pack were discussed within the meeting.

The good news is that for the first time in its history the Centre has made a profit resulting in a 32% as detailed in the pack. So the fee for 2022/23 will be £13.50 starting in May 2022, and there is more good news during the year financial year 20/21 the business rates holiday was extended and we were able to claim a furlough refund in relation to the Managing Director salary, together this is a total of £32.27 per homeowner. We intend to refund this by cheque rather than credit each homeowner account. This will be done by the end of February.

The proposal regarding a frequent user card was carried in line with most returned votes. The card will be available from 1st January, with a revised cost of £3 per month for homeowners, (each family member living in the house on Beechwood West estate will have their own card) Non homeowners can purchase a card at a cost of £10. More details will be on our website and social media from December 20th.

The website redesign and update will be going live in the next couple of weeks, there will be a homeowner section where we will continue to share the formal documents, we produce from AGM's etc. However we will also add the homeowner priority booking dates for events and activities (as well as the Facebook page) This section will be password protected - the password will be **OWNCENTRE50** this is for the benefit of us as homeowners to ensure that priority tickets sales can be made. Please do not share it with anyone (even extended family members).

Although we continually ask for your input under the banner of 'our community, our centre, our facilities - we need your engagement and ideas so from January 2022 we will be holding monthly Homeowner surgeries where at least one Director and the Operations

Manager will be available to meet you and discuss your ideas or address any concerns or issues you as an owner may be experiencing. These meetings will take place on the third Saturday of each month from 11am until 12 noon. and hope you will see this a positive action by your elected directors. Reminders will be posted on the website and notice boards.

We are currently re-arranging the swim timetable to include homeowner only sessions there will be further announcements on the website and Facebook pages.

In January we hope to start a programme of specific owner engagement events there will be further announcements on the website and Facebook pages and direct communication particularly to our older homeowners.

Finally, a suggestion from the meeting was for us to reinstate the road representative role back in the day this proved very useful and helped keep everyone informed if you are interested in representing your road and or would like more details please contact Kellie on operationsmanager@beechwoodcentre.co.uk

Your sincerely,

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