



SUCCESSES FROM OUR GROUPS

Massive well done to Crochet Club, Mindscapes, Knit and Chat, Contemporary Craft and CommunArty for their creative contributions to our Chesterfield in Autumn Exhibition. We've had great feedback about it already

Our Signposting Team represented us at the Derbyshire Community Hubs Network, a new development, to share learning and experience between Hubs across the county.

Mindscapes have started a new fortnightly session in Clay Cross "Snap and Chat" in partnership with Walk Deryshire

Inspired by her experience facilitating Contemporary Craft, Sim has created a social connection group "Lego Connect"

ComunArty have created the opportunity to study a GCSE or A Level in Art

Do share any ideas you may have with the groups!

EVENTS COMING UP IN THE HUB...

Falls Prevention 22nd October 2024 1.30 -2.40pm (re-arranged from September)

As we get older, or if we develop health problems, lots of us may start to feel a bit unsteady on our feet and become worried about falling. The good news is there are lots of things you can do to stay steady on your feet and prevent falls. Come along and find out more.

Hub Fundraising workshop 22nd October 1.30 -2.45pm

We are looking for interested people to share some ideas for Christmas Fundraising for our market stall. There will be a demonstration about how to needlefelt a sleeping mouse. Do speak to Helen if you'd like to find out more and get involved.

Gaynor Get Together -Thursday 24th October 11 -12.30pm

Gaynor's family are going to join us for a cuppa and some cake, to celebrate her and the impact she made on our community.

Hub Fundraising stall on Chesterfield Market -Thursday 28th November

As always we are looking for volunteers! We need a rota of friendly people to manage the stall, and we need volunteers from groups to create items we can sell! Looking forward to seeing the magic happen!

Feeling Connected Christmas Celebration - Tuesday 17th December 1.30 -3pm

Everyone is welcome to the Christmas Celebration here at The Hub where there will be a festive drink, a mince pie and great company! Do share any more ideas you have to bring everyone together.

WHAT ARE WE WORKING TOWARDS NEXT?

Learning from everyone's experience of The Hub and sharing ideas

We are currently gathering feedback about everyone's experience of The Hub at the moment, what's working well and any ways to improve it. Huge thank you to everyone who has responded already! For anyone who hasn't yet had chance, do ask Millie, our current student nurse for a feedback form. Millie and Helen are happy to help anyone to complete it if helpful.

There are also now feedback jars in The Hub where you can add ideas and share feedback too

Helping the Hub to be as sustainable as possible

There are two areas we are focusing on at the moment. One is raising funds, to support the running of The Hub. The second, is to organise the Hub so that volunteers can help with the day to day management as much as possible.

For fundraising, you can help by either sharing your story for our funding applications, or by sharing ideas for us to raise money. We may trial a craft session one evening where the public is invited to book and pay to attend outside of Hub opening hours but we're still in the ideas stage!

For organizing The Hub, you will notice that we have been trying to make it easier to arrange the signposting information, and the art on the walls. The groups have worked hard to develop storage systems for materials. Next steps are to improve a system for managing donations, and to approach local businesses for contributions too. We will continue to support volunteers to understand and manage the space as much as possible. Do speak to Helen if you'd like to be more involved.

Welcoming new people

Well done everyone for making a big effort recently to make the space more welcoming. There's still work to do but if everyone helps to wash the cups, makes sure everyone can find a seat and feel included in the conversation, keeping the tone respectful and kind, then we're definitely in the right direction!



GETTING MORE INVOLVED

If you have an idea for The Hub or would like to become a volunteer then we'd love you to arrange a conversation with a volunteer or with Helen to explore opportunities available.

