



Spring 2022 Newsletter

Greetings from all at Haven Community. We do hope you are all well and enjoying the change from winter to spring. It has been lovely to hear the birds singing away in the garden and to see the blossom starting to appear.

Please note that the Centre is closed at Easter for the week beginning Monday 18th April. We will reopen on Monday 25th April.

Day to Day operation

We currently have twenty members attending the centre for between one and four days a week and one member receiving weekly visits for an hour at his home.

We now have ten people on our staff team, which includes support workers, cleaning staff, our two coordinators, and Simon, the Manager (Chief Executive) of Haven Community.

Our two wonderful volunteers, Lynne and Juliet, who support our members most weeks, are very much appreciated. It has been lovely to see the results of some of the activities they have brought in with them, which complement the wonderful work of our regular staff.

Change to our staff team

We are delighted to have a new member of our team, Danielle, who has joined us as a part-time employee to help supplement our cleaning and house-keeping routines.

We also recently welcomed a new member to our Board of Directors. Ruth Bullock teaches in a Bristol secondary school and is highly creative and enthusiastic about all those with additional needs.

Changes to arrangements at the centre

Following consultation with our staff team and after careful consideration, we propose to make certain changes to the way that we support our members at the centre, hopefully allowing increased flexibility and freedom. Before we introduce the proposals below, we wish to consider views and reservations you may have. In recent weeks you should have had an opportunity to provide your thoughts by way of completing a short Q&A on the following proposals.

- Reduction of social distancing from 2m to 1m
- Members of same household can sit next to each other
- Members will still have their own activity box provided
- Members will be allocated to either the Red Room or Blue Room
- To introduce a dedicated activity room (four days a week) for any member to access where we shall offer baking or pottery sessions, board games, music sessions, fellowship meetings and an opportunity to socialise with other members

We shall confirm any changes when we have had an opportunity to consider the Government's forthcoming announcement, (due 1st April) and have received feedback and preferences from carers, families and of course, the views of our members, prior to Easter.

Any changes will become effective from Monday 9th May.

John James Foundation

We are incredibly grateful to the John James Foundation who have made a donation to cover the cost of Easter gifts and a lunch (at the Centre) for all our members. We hope that members are pleased with their gifts and would welcome any comments so that we can pass them onto the Foundation. You can respond by completing the reply slip at the end of this newsletter, or by emailing Paul using the email address: Paul.meager@havencommunity.org.uk. Thank you.

Reminder!

The centre will be closed for Easter for the week beginning Monday 18th April.
We will reopen on Monday 25th April.

We are also closed for the BH's as follows: Mon 2 May and June 2nd & 3rd.

Do refer to our calendars (sent in December) and our website for these and other dates.

Wishing all our readers a Very Happy Easter

Angela, Steve, Denise, Jackie, Ethan, Paul,
Lisa, Philbert, Danielle and Simon



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For urgent messages, the office phone and Simon's email will be accessed during the closure on just a couple of days.

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Response to Easter gifts supported by the John James Foundation

If, after Easter, you wish to write any comments about the Easter gifts and the take-away meal, please do so below. You can also contact us by email using the address: paul.meager@havendc.org.uk

Name of member:

Date:

Comments:
