

September/October 2023 NEWCOURT NEWS Edition 21



Welcome to our 23rd Edition of Newcourt News Magazine. Our hope is that we can get a smaller leaflet out to local people more often. We are currently trialling delivery via Royal Mail. Our hope is that people would like to sign up to become **members** of the Newcourt Community Association. Members get a better say in local happenings and are able to vote on community centre or wider concerns. Simply contact us and we will add you to our mailing list:
community@newcourtca.org.uk



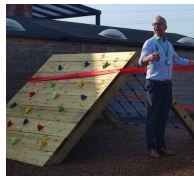
Local Projects Update



Junction at River Plate Road and Omaha Drive: the working party have met with local councillors, who advised that the best way forward is to make 'improvements to the junction' a condition of the planning council, as part of the new build that is taking place on the plot next door to Newcourt Community Centre. Therefore, the decision to grant planning permission for this is still to be made.

New MUGA: As part of the new phase of building next to the IKEA store, the council has approved designs for a new multi-use games area (MUGA), to be built into the development plan. More chose for local families to play within the locality.

Donations to Local School: The Newcourt Community Association made a donation to the (PTA) Parent Teacher Association at Trinity School, to enable them to get the final sum of money they needed to build their new playground equipment. It includes a great new climbing wall. Trinity is very fortunate to have some of the best outdoor facilities in Devon.



Mr Wilder cutting the celebration ribbon!

The trustees of the Newcourt Community Association (NCA) would like to establish a Resident's Group to represent the more established part of the Greater Newcourt Area (Rydons / Holland Park/ Greenacres/ Great Woodcote Park). Our hope is that this group will then be the voice of community issues for this part of Newcourt. Here is a super chance for you to play a vital part in shaping your community. Issues like parking, road junctions, traffic issues, street furniture etc. We need you to help make a difference for everyone. To register your interest please contact: **community@newcourtca.org.uk**

There is also a Residents group at Seabrook Orchards area. If you would like to know more about this, listen to the issues they are currently tackling or to become active within the group, then contact them via their website: **www.seabrookorchardsresidents.co.uk** *Be active in YOUR community!*

**For residents from all corners of Newcourt: Holland Park, Fairways
Great Woodcote Park • Greenacres • Old Rydon Lane (east)
Old Rydon Ley • Regal Court • Rydon Lawns • Rydon Place • Seabrook Orchards**



What has been happening at Newcourt Community Centre this year?

Lots of you have been out to support NCC by either joining one of our many events that we have timetabled, backed particular activities that we have organised or hired one of our rooms for your special event. We are very lucky to have a centre with so many rooms and a great timetable, which gives us revenue to keep afloat when many other community centres are struggling in the current climate. Please support your centre and keep it open.

This year you requested: **sound proofing in the large rooms** - we added felt sound proofing tiles to the walls.



You wanted family friendly activities - we organised Halloween and Christmas Parties, Animal Man and Theatre sessions. Crafts and activity sessions at

Christmas, Easter and School Holidays.

You wanted something for teens to do - we have organised special design workshops and free cookery classes to help inspire and upskill. **Some**



of you have a conscience about more environmental matters and you also wanted a place to grow produce - we have

provided small allotment spaces for local people to take on. Excess fruit, veg and plants have been given away free to the public from our Coffee Van. We have also built a growing willow structure in our garden for young people to enjoy. Our summer family activities have been eco themed, to promote looking after our green spaces and environment. Funding has helped us promote bug habitats which are crucial for



our ecosystem and of course, fun to learn about! **You want antisocial litter dropping addressed** we organise a monthly litter pick but would love to get people involved more often.



We have a lot of 'picking' equipment, just ask us and we can lend it out for you to use. We are trying to erect more bins in problem areas, but this is tricky to get permission to position and empty bins. We are working on this.

You wanted a meeting place to stop and socialise, as there is no pub or café around Newcourt - we have organised the lovely AJ to park his coffee van at the front of the centre

offering drinks, cakes and a friendly place to stop and chat. This has been a great success and we hope to provide this again for everyone



next year. Do come and support AJ before he leaves for the Winter. We worked with **Exeter's Co-Create** to build lovely planters to mark the seating space. We are also proving a paved area with extra seating for people to stop and socialise along with a community herb and flower bed.

We have new artwork on the walls thanks to a project with NCC and Trinity School and we have re-vamped the lobby library area to make it easier for breast feeding Mums. We have also offered a variety of new workshops or events into our timetable - some more popular than others: Warm Rooms,



Bridge Club, Pilates, Menopause Support Talks, Worship Group, Kids Music Workshop, Budget Friendly Cookery, Dance Club, Clothes and Toy Sales, and Lego Club. If there is something you would like to see happening at your centre then get in touch - let's see what we can do together! info@newcourtcommunitycentre.com

Helpful contacts



HEALTH NHS Direct Tel: 111 <https://www.nhs.uk/>
Devon Doctors (on-call) 111
Glasshouse Lane Medical Centre, EX2 7BT 01392 874646
Topsham Surgery, Holman Way, EX3 0EN 01392 874646
topshamadmin@nhs.net www.topshamsurgery.gpsurgery.net
Pharmacy: Countess Wear 01392 877000 and Topsham 873063
Book a Health Visitors' Family Focus Session at NCC Public Health Team 03332 341902

EXETER CITY COUNCIL www.exeter.gov.uk
Environmental Health Issues/ASB/Fly Tipping /Dog fouling/Recycling 665024 Abandoned vehicles 265147
Graffiti/Bin collections <https://exeter.gov.uk/bins-and-recycling/bin-collections/665010> Reporting discarded syringes: <https://exeter.gov.uk/clean-safe-city/litter-rubbish/report-discarded-syringes/cleansing@exeter.gov.uk> 665010

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Report (not emergency): phone 101 or better to email www.devon-cornwall.police.uk

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LOCAL FACILITIES
SPAR Blakeslee Drive, Aldi Exeter Road, Topsham
Digby Retail Park - incl. Tesco, PC World/Currys, Halfords, KFC, Costa, Pets at Home, B&M, Sports Direct, Hobbycraft, Tapi Carpets.
Abandoned Tesco Trolleys (Exe Vale Store) 0800 505555. Glasshouse Lane shops - One-stop, Post Office, 'chippy', hairdresser, Café. IKEA Abandoned Ikea trolleys 02036 450000, Recycling Tesco/Glasshouse Lane/Pinhoe/Marsh Barton, Topsham Library <https://www.devonlibraries.org.uk/web/arena/topshamlibrary>, Trinity Church www.trinityexeter.com, Trinity Primary School Fish Street, EX2 7TR admin@trinityprimaryexeter.co.uk



Did you know the LYN (Love Your Neighbour) Box, is filled twice a week at Newcourt CC and Trinity School? Lovely volunteers collect surplus food or food with spoiled packaging, from local stores and place in the box for anyone to use. **Get the daily updates on the LYN Facebook Group so you know when arrivals are happening! Items taken at own risk.**



Newcourt Community Association

is an affiliation of residents who want to help make Newcourt a great place to live. By living here, you qualify to be a part of it!

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What's On Weekly at Newcourt Community Centre



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat / Sun
08.30—17.00 Health Visitors, appointment only	10.00-10.45 Adventure Babies Session 1	08.30-17.00 Health Visitors, appointment only		09.30-12.00 Coffee Club	09.15-10.25 SupaStrikers Mini
09.30-13.00 Starbubs	11.15-12.00 Adventure Babies Session 2	10.00-11.30 Newcourt Babies & Toddlers	10.00-11.00 SupaStrikers Mini & Mega Strikers	09.30-10.30 Simply Fit, Flex and Strength	10.35-11.45 SupaStrikers Mega & Maxi
			1330-1530 Bridge Lessons		12.30 - 16.30 Private Booking last Saturday of the month
18.15 - 19.15 Pilates		1800-1900 Kettlebell Classes	18.00-19.30 Seido Karate		14.00-16.00 NBSW First Saturday of the month
19.15 - 20.15 Zumba	1930-2100 Aurora Tap Dance	19.15-20.15 Zumba	18.30-19.30 Men's Only Circuits	18.00-21.30 Tree of Life Church	 Community Litter Picker
1930-2030 Topsham School of Dance	19.00-21.30 Women's Institute, 3rd Tuesday of the month	19.45-21.45 Digby & Newcourt Community Choir			10.30 - 12 Last Saturday of the month

Newcourt Community Association Grant Scheme - Local help for local activities

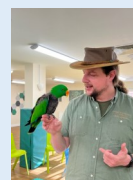
The NCA offers an awards initiative to try and help local people offer workshops, events, activities, talks or clubs, that directly benefit people who live in the locality. The grant can cover hire of space, resources or professional time. In order to award the funding of approx. £250, we need to know the following:

- The activities you propose and where they will take place
- How much the activities / event will cost you to put on
- How much you are asking for
- Whether the event will be free or subsidised
- Evidence you have the necessary insurance safeguarding procedures and risk assessments in place (we could help with the RA). We will just ask for recognition of the funding on any publicity for the events. Please note, we will not directly give you cash, we will, instead, re-imburse up on receipt of items spent.

Coming Soon

October half Term 23th -28th

*Animal Man Chris is back on Tues 24th We have *Seed Bombs to make and grow or give as a gift *Angel Heart Theatre are performing The Tales of Robin Hood, Tues 24th Oct. £4 per ticket, fun for all ages!



*Lego Club On Sat 28th.
*Halloween Disco
5-7 pm on 28th.

All tickets £4. Tickets for events can be booked via Ticket Source.

ADULT 'QUIZ NIGHT' FUN

Friday in Oct. Bring a bottle, snacks and a team. Look out for date!

FREE Budget
Friendly
Cooking Classes
coming Sept /
Oct. Pay deposit



on booking, then this will be reimbursed when you attend the course. This is to ensure no wastage of food produce.

January 2023 Survey Testing the Locality of People Using NCC

Findings showed that a majority of users are indeed local to Newcourt / Seabrook, but a number also come from the wider Devon area, too - attracted by the variety of classes / workshops that are not offered in their own localities. As well as the many leisure activities, we have many businesses who use the rooms at the centre. **Local or not, we are happy to have you!**



For all Newcourt Events and Activities look on line at our Facebook *Centre Newcourt*. Also, see our poster boards in the park at Omaha Drive Corner, on Resolution Road, outside Trinity School and outside NCC. Contact us: 01392 873560 or info@newcourtcommunitycentre.com