Welcome to the second of our occasional newsletters from The Chequers Village Hub.

Since we opened the doors to the Hub on the 21st September with a memorable opening evening, we have had over 1,000 visits over 28 events.

It has been a fantastic start and we have been overwhelmed by the support we have received.

We are continuing where we left off on New Year’s Eve, with a Spring schedule of events which are set out in the leaflet.

We are also making improvements to the kitchen so we can provide hot food prepared on the premises.

Now we hope that there will be other events run by YOU.

So if you have a desire for a Book Club, a toddler group or any other ideas—the Hub is there for you!

2020 promises to be another exciting year for the Hub—hope you can join us!
Message from the Trustees

It’s been just over four months since our village Hub’s opening night and what a success it’s turning out to be!

Volunteers appeared from all corners of the village, bringing with them a truly amazing range of skills and abilities to refurbish the Hub and enable the building to host a wide range of events.

From Coffee Mornings to a Halloween party; from social evenings to the children’s Christmas morning; from quizzes to Pizza Nights. Overall, we’ve had over a thousand “person visits” already.

As Trustees we have amended the terms of the charity to make it more appropriate to running a community facility (rather than looking to provide a building which is what the Trust was originally set up for).

We have drawn breath in January to plan the next phase of the Hub. This involves planning for a café and small shop amongst numerous potential developments.

If you’ve not yet been to one of our Hub events and aren’t sure of our direction of travel—please get in touch, we’d like to hear from you with your suggestions.

The next important step is for you to put your own ideas into action. If there is a club or event, either as a one-off or regular group, that you would like to see in the village, then why not make it happen?!

Alec Johns,

Chair, Barkestone Village Hub Trust
Forthcoming Clubs

Here’s a selection of events that are being organised by volunteers from the village:

Rock Club— Whether you can sing or play an instrument to any level whatsoever or even if you want to start to learn an instrument from scratch you are very welcome to join our “School Of Rock”. Absolutely any age from 8 to 80 – all you need is enthusiasm! We will meet on Saturdays and it will all be **FREE**.

Contact David Sykes by email to hubrockschool@btinternet.com or phone 01949 843234.

Art Club—learn a new skill or brush up on your technique

Pub Games Evenings— darts, dominoes, cribbage, shove ha’penny etc.

Bingo!

**Other Possible Ideas YOU could Organise**

If you have an idea for an event, regular activity or private party you can get in touch via:

- barkestonevillagehub@gmail.com
- 01949 845155
- @Barkestonehub
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- Website Barkestonevillagehub.org
# Events Spring 2020

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Don’t forget the Wednesday Coffee Morning & our Little Library!