

COMMUNITY FUN DAY

Sunday 7 June 2026 | 11:00am – 3:00pm

Community Centre Field

We're delighted to announce the return of our Annual Community Fun Day, taking place on the community centre field. It promises to be a fantastic day out for families and residents of all ages.

There will be a great range of attractions on the day, similar to previous years. All rides will be free, thanks to funding from Kimblesworth and Plawsworth Parish Council.

Food will be available outside from a catering van and ice cream van. Inside the centre, there will be stalls, popcorn and candy floss, along with tea and coffee available in the canteen.

Fundraising activities on the day will include 'Name the Teddy Bear' and a tombola with lots of exciting prizes. Raffle tickets will also be on sale to raise funds for the community centre, with the draw taking place at 13:30. Tickets can be purchased in advance from any of the trustees at the centre or on the day.

We look forward to welcoming everyone for a fun filled day bringing the community together.

Raffle tickets available now - £1 each: We are starting to collect raffle and tombola prizes for the Fun Day - if you would like to donate prizes please get in touch.

OUR TRUSTEES

John Barclay - Chair
 Donna Bruce - Parish Council representative
 Heather Liddle - Treasurer
 Diana Barclay - Minutes Secretary
 Lisa Walker - Bookings Secretary
 Lillian Walker - Trustee
 George Kendall - Trustee
 Emma Shanks - Trustee

TRUSTEES MEETING:

2nd Tuesday of each month
 from 6:00 - 8:00pm
 Members welcome at the first part
 of the meeting.

To become a member please email
enquiries@nettleworthcommunitycentre.co.uk

For more information on our groups, or to enquire about booking a room:

please email: enquiries@nettleworthcommunitycentre.co.uk
 or visit our website: www.nettleworthcommunitycentre.co.uk

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Plawsworth and Kimblesworth Community Centre and Recreation Ground Newsletter

Welcome to Plawsworth and Kimblesworth Community Centre's (known locally as Nettleworth Community Centre) newsletter. We hope you enjoy reading about the ambitious plans for the centre.

MARCH 2026

Lease and Charity Scheme Update

At the July 2025 Cabinet meeting, Durham County Council agreed to step down from its role as Trustee of the charitable scheme that governs the Centre, and to install the Community Centre charity in that role. This would mean the Community Centre Trustees could apply for funding for major capital works. This needs to be approved by the Charity Commission before it can take effect.

We are waiting for some necessary legal steps by Durham County Council. We are also in the process of engaging our own solicitors to guide us through the complex process.

We are ready to sign a new 50-year lease with Lambton Estates once Durham County Council has carried out its work resigning from the charity scheme. Once this is completed, we will be able to continue our plans for the Community Centre.



Pre Capital Works Planning Meeting



From left to right: John Barclay - Chair, Sarah Grey - Development Worker, Graham Scott - Norcroft Construction, Mollie Powell - Arup



Centre Update – Toilet Refurbishment

We're delighted to share some great news for Nettleworth Community Centre. We have been awarded £64,490.80 from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund, which will allow us to fully refurbish the three existing toilet blocks within the centre.

This is a fantastic step forward and marks the start of much needed capital improvements, helping us modernise the building and improve facilities for everyone who uses the centre.

The refurbishment work is scheduled to take place during February and March 2026. We're pleased to confirm that one toilet block will remain open at all times, ensuring continued access throughout the project. As with any building project, there may be some noise and disruption during the refurbishment and we appreciate your patience while these important improvements take place.



Funded by UK Government



We would like to thank our pro bono architects Arup, who have guided us through the toilet refurbishment process and will be project managing the work for us.
Thank you so much Arup!!



WHAT OUR GROUPS SAY

Durham Hiit Club

Paul Barron- 07878 077757

Monday and Thursday- 6:30pm

<https://www.facebook.com/p/Durham-Hiit-Club-100090513431937/>

Durham Hiit Club delivers high intensity interval training classes that are fast paced, challenging and fun. Short bursts of intense exercise followed by recovery boost fitness, burn calories efficiently, improve strength and endurance, and deliver proven results in less time than traditional workouts for all fitness levels and busy lifestyles.

Sacriston Youth Project

Fridays: Minis (Reception -Year 2) 4-5:30pm

Juniors (Year 3-6) 5 - 6:30pm

Seniors (Year 7+) 6:30 - 8pm

info@sacristonyouthproject.org.uk

Sacriston Youth Project delivers free youth provision including Friday youth clubs during term time at Nettlesworth Community Centre. We also offer Duke of Edinburgh Award, Digital Youth Café, Relax Kids and Community Crafters at our Hub in Sacriston, plus holiday activities, social action projects, and information, advice and guidance from youth workers. Youth session bookings can be made via our website www.sacristonyouthproject.co.uk/sessions



Well done to Sacriston Youth Project for winning NE Project of the Year 2025



MONA LISA Arts & Media - Artful Minds

Rhonda Fenwick- 07450 199539.

E: info@monalisarts.co.uk

Thursday - 10-12pm

We meet on Thursday mornings from 10am to 12.30pm, bringing people together to work collaboratively through arts and crafts. The sessions are free, but donations are kindly accepted and are open to adults 18 and upwards. No formal art training is required. Connect, Talk Art, Create!

Step This Way Appalachian Cloggers & The Bones Creek Band

Janet Hutchinson- 07388 278426

Monday- 6:45 - 8:30pm- term time.

The group is volunteer run and there is no charge info@stepthisway.uk

Our group of men and women has been in existence for over 20 years. We perform steps and tunes from the Appalachian mountains of America, which have their roots in England, Scotland and Ireland. Beginner dancers (18 years+) are very welcome.



Kimbleworth & Plawsworth Parish Council: Daniel Inman (Clerk)

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clerk@kimbleworthandplawsworthparishcouncil.co.uk

Parish council meets on the second Thursday of the month (excluding August) at 7pm. Members of the public can bring questions or issues to the Council during the first 15 minutes. All meetings are normally open to attend but not participate.

Mini Melodies

minimelodiesne@gmail.com

Mini Melodies is a group for babies, toddlers and preschoolers and their parents/guardians to take part in sensory play, play-based music, and play musical instruments. It aims for children to be more confident, which helps them develop their socialising skills and develop their speech.

Community Café

The Kimbleworth and Nettlesworth Community Task Force run the Community Café on Mondays from 9am - 3pm. Local people can attend and for a small amount can get a meal, refreshments, a cuppa and chat as well as bingo. This group will be coming back after Easter 2026. For more information please contact Lisa on 07757 238257.

Craft Club - *NEW group starting*

We will be starting a new Craft Club after Easter. This will involve all kinds of crafts including knitting and sewing. This will be on a Tuesday from 10.00am to 12noon. If you are interested in joining this club please contact Diana Barclay on 0191-371-0388 or email dianajbarclay@gmail.com

DAY	GROUP	TIME
Mondays	Community Café (back after Easter)	11.00am - 3.00pm
	Durham Hiit	6.30 - 7.30pm
	Clog Dancing	7.00 - 10.00pm
Tuesday	Craft Club (after Easter)	10.00 - 12noon
Wednesday	KPPC Dog Training	7.00 - 8.00pm
Thursday	Mini Melodies	10.00 - 12noon
	MONA LISA Arts and Media	10.00 - 12noon
Friday	Little Stars Baby and Toddler Group (back after Easter)	9.00 - 11.00am
	SYP - Minis	4.00 - 5.30pm
	SYP - Juniors	5.00 - 6.30pm
	Seniors	6.00 - 8.00pm

ROOM HIRE FOR GROUPS

If you are part of a group looking for a local, affordable and welcoming space to meet, we would love to hear from you. Room hire is available for regular groups, classes, meetings and community activities.

Please contact - Lisa Walker on enquiries@nettlesworthcommunitycentre.co.uk
Telephone: 07757238257

SPACE HIRE



LOOKING FOR THE PERFECT SPACE FOR YOUR NEXT CELEBRATION OR EVENT?

The Community Centre is available to hire for private parties, family celebrations, birthday events and special occasions.

We're proud to host fantastic events, including Phoenix dance nights, and the space is ideal for bringing people together to celebrate, connect and have fun.

We also welcome regular groups and new community activities - so if you have a class, club or idea you'd love to bring to life, we'd love to hear from you.

Get in touch to check availability and start planning your event!