# Trustees devise a set of Values for Sedbury Space

In preparation for drawing up the person specification for the proposed centre manager, the Trustees and Committee spent some time thinking about the values that they consider important as a foundation for Sedbury Space.

A brainstorm of ideas led to a meaningful discussion from which we were able to formulate four overarching themes: welcome, participation, respect and integrity. These themes reflect the original aims which were agreed when the community group was formed.

The draft document is now prepared and we are keen to receive feedback from our volunteers, users and supporters. Please let us know what you think.

We seek to:

#### Provide a Welcome

- We are welcoming and inclusive to all.
- We are friendly, approachable and easy to talk to.
- We are non-judgemental and presume the best of everyone.
- We are generous and helpful and love to generate smiles.

#### Participate Collaboratively

- We work collaboratively and seek to achieve the best for everyone.
- We encourage and support the involvement of all.
- We work in partnership with others and seek positive change.
- We freely express gratitude and recognise each other's achievements.

#### Respect Everyone

- We maintain confidentiality when it is needed and respect privacy.
- We listen carefully to everyone and speak well of each other.
- We are kind, caring and compassionate to all.
- We are patient and respectful to other views and opinions.

#### Act with Integrity

- We are always truthful and honest in everything.
- We are forgiving and seek to be at peace with one another.
- We are willing to learn and respond positively to feedback.
- We seek to understand one another and develop self-awareness.

### New Secretary in situ

Following publication of our Autumn Newsletter in which the Secretary role was listed as a vacancy, Mrs Carol Clammer offered to trial the position. She has taken minutes of the last two meetings and we are glad to have her on board.

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Sedbury Space is pleased to announce the appointment, in partnership with FVAF, of Mrs Susan Riordan to the post of Centre manager. She will take up the position from 20th April.



Sedbury Space nominated as one of the beneficiaries of the Commissioner's Collection

The Police and Crime Commissioner selected Sedbury Space to be one of the charities to receive a share of the collection taken at the annual Police Carol Service held in Tewkesbury Abbey last December.

Martin Surl visited Sedbury Space on 16th March to hand over a cheque for over £100. He met with members of the committee and commended the charity on the good work it's doing in the community. He was pleased to hear of the good relations we have with the PCSOs who have started to use the space for occasional interviews and comfort breaks.













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# NEWSLETTER - SPRING 2020

Welcome to our termly newsletter in which we keep you up-to-date with what's going on at Sedbury Space.

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# Crowdfunding Campaign seeks to attract Aviva support

Sedbury Space has launched a Crowdfunding Campaign as part of the Aviva Community Fund. The project page went live on 4<sup>th</sup> March and all Aviva employees were given £15 each to donate to a project of their choice from 10<sup>th</sup> April. The total contribution from Aviva across all the 500+ projects, is £250K. Sedbury Space attracted its first Aviva donation last week and is hoping to see many more follow suit over the coming days.

This campaign is part of our efforts to raise monies to secure the future of the Centre Manager role. The crowdfunding page is live until 20<sup>th</sup> April by which time we need to have achieved our target of £3000 or else we run the risk of losing it all! If you would like to contribute to the fund please visit <a href="https://www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/sedbury-space-centre-manager">www.avivacommunityfund.co.uk/sedbury-space-centre-manager</a>. You can also benefit from some of the generous rewards donated by local businesses, including a Golf day for 4 courtesy of St Pierre and 2 tickets to see James Arthur plus an afternoon of racing courtesy of Chepstow Racecourse.

When you visit the page you can also enjoy our little promo video. Over half term Alex White took some time out from his music tuition and family commitments to produce the film for Sedbury Space. We drafted a story board based on all the many and varied activities and tasks that go on behind the scenes for the smooth operating of Sedbury Space. The film, starring committee members and supported by Hope Lyall, was then frantically sped up and Alex composed and performed a piece of piano music to accompany it. The premier showing to the Health Walkers generated comments about the Keystone Cops!

# COVID-19 curtails all activities.

Sadly, along with all other social meeting places, Sedbury Space has had to close its doors to the public until further notice to help prevent the spread of Coronavirus.

Our last scheduled activity was the Homework Club on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March. Following Government announcements that afternoon the Trustees took the decision to cancel all further activities immediately.

Committee members had to sacrificially take home cake that had been already defrosted in preparation for the One Stop Café on the Tuesday! Yum!!

# 5\*\*\*\* Rating following surprise Inspection

The sterling efforts of our Health & Safety Officer, Gary Grant, were rewarded recently when the Environmental Health Inspector visited and deemed the premises worthy of a five star rating. Gary had registered the kitchen with the department before Christmas so we knew an inspection was pending. He turned up unexpectedly to our Tuesday morning One Stop Café so Gary was called post haste!



Our facilities had recently been improved with the purchase of a dual fuel cooker, made possible by a grant from the Forest of Dean District Council. The cooker had already proved its worth being used in catering for 'The Well', a Fresh Expression of church which hires Sedbury Space once a month.

We are delighted with the excellent rating and look forward to utilising the facilty more fully – maybe for Christmas Dinner!