

# Meeting Point House

## Meeting Point Trust



## Hello and Welcome! :)

Welcome to our second edition, it is really satisfying to see so much activity going on within the building. In addition to increasing the scope of the activities offered by Meeting Point Trust we are also making small steps in enhancing the building and hopefully this is both noticeable and appreciated. It is great to be involved in better partnership building with all who work at Meeting Point House and as always I welcome feed-back on how this can be further improved.

Enjoy reading and I will look forward to your contributions for edition 3 and I look forward to seeing you in Pilates in September!

Angela Creighton.  
General and Commercial Manager.

### Special points of interest:

- Lots going on! Check out pages 3 and 4 for more information!
- Meeting Point House will soon be fitted with a community defibrillator.
- Mayor's Community Event at Meeting Point House

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## Crowd Funding for a Community Defibrillator



Phil (one of our Customer Services Assistants) saw the need for a community defibrillator to be housed at Meeting Point House. As a result, he set up a crowd funding page to raise the

funds and thanks to the help of the Ironbridge Lodge and The West Midlands Ambulance Service we have successfully acquired one. Phil is still looking to raise funding to have the unit installed as well as

to replace the battery and pads.

If you wish to make a donation, please contact Meeting Point House and ask to speak to Phil.

Thank you!

## Mayor's Community Weekend



**FACEBOOK  
REVIEW:**  
[Sue Pointon](#)  
Thanks for  
organising a great,  
fun, family event.

**FACEBOOK  
REVIEW:**

[Emm Reeves](#) A wonderful event! Us belly dancers had such a great time! If anyone saw us and is interested in attending a workshop in Telford please join our group!

As part of the Mayor's Community Weekend Meeting Point House held an open day on Saturday 29th June. The list of activities included:

Boogie Bounce; Lego Workshop; a Unicycle Juggler; Telford Community Steel Band; Craft workshops; Barbershop Harmony Chorus; Balloon Modeling; Belly Dancers, and Zumba.

A number of our Licensees also held stalls such as Victim Support, Healthwatch, the Quakers and

Springfield Church.

With all of this going on, Meeting Point House held a variety of stalls, a tombola as well as fun and games including a raffle and hook-a-duck.

A number of people volunteered for the day including some members of the Trust one of which helped to run a candy floss stall.

Councilors Stephen and Shirley Reynolds showed their support and even had a go on the boogie bounce trampolines.

Face painting and glitter tattoos were

available and Meeting Point Café was also open to sell the usual as well as ice creams to cool the public on what was a very hot day!

The day went well, the weather was beautiful and everyone who attended thoroughly enjoyed themselves!

Meeting Point House are hoping to run a few more events like this in the future and maybe take part in the Mayor's weekend next year!

Thank you to all who attended and to those who helped make the day great!



## Summer Activities at Meeting Point House

Meeting Point House have received funding from Telford & Wrekin Council to offer families, who's children would receive free school meals continued support throughout the school holidays. These events will be free of charge and are aimed at Primary School age children (5 to 11 years old). All children must be supervised by a parent or guardian during the events.

The events will start on the 30th July and run through until the 22nd August on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday's 12pm to 3pm.

Booking is advisable as spaces are limited.

On Tuesday's and Thursday's the children will take part in arts, crafts, rhythm and beats as well as fun and games. On Wednesday's the children will be taken out on woodland walks lead by Telford Woods' Social Enterprise—this will

include woodland related craft and outdoor activities and, weather permitting, story telling in the Town Park.

A packed lunch will be provided for all children attending the sessions.

If you or someone you know may be interested please contact Meeting Point House on either: 01952 292268 or [reception@meetingpointhouse.co.uk](mailto:reception@meetingpointhouse.co.uk)



## Activities within Meeting Point House

### Chapel:

- Knitting Group every Tuesday from... this is a joint activity run by Springfield Church and AGE UK.
- TYF every other Monday 7:30 - 9pm for ages 7 to 13 - social time, group discussions, outings and residential.
- Springfield Church service every Sunday 10:15am for refreshments, service to start at 10:45am.
- Little Fishes every Wednesday (during term time) 10:30am - 12:30pm for Toddlers. All welcome!

### Healthwatch:

1<sup>st</sup> - 7<sup>th</sup> June 2019 - [National Volunteer Week](#)

3<sup>rd</sup> June: we held a drop-in session for anyone who was interested in volunteering or required further information.

5<sup>th</sup> June: a coffee & cake morning was set up for our volunteers as a thank you for all their hard work.

Currently, we have collaborated with the Leading Maternity Systems (LMS) focusing on Perinatal Mental Health. We will be talking to individuals at different focus groups throughout the perinatal journey, with a report due by the end of summer 2019.

We will be contacting schools, colleges and universities in and around Telford & Wrekin from September 2019. This is to raise Healthwatch Telford & Wrekin's profile with young people and

to give them a voice. Therefore, we are in the process of creating a 'Healthwatch Telford & Wrekin Youth Group' which generates roles for young people who are interested in making health and social care.

We have also welcomed two new volunteers to Healthwatch Telford & Wrekin.

One volunteer has started and is currently undertaking their induction training and will be carrying out work in relation to our Enter and View statutory responsibilities. They are a university student who is studying Health and Social Care, who is keen to become a CQC inspector.

Another volunteer is an ex NHS employee who is interested in office-based work and will be working alongside our Information Analyst conducting research and assisting with reports.

## The Central Place to meet in Telford

### Events to look forward to

#### Craft Workshops

17<sup>th</sup> September - Make your own picture from Wet Felting

15<sup>th</sup> October - Make a macramé plant hanger

19<sup>th</sup> November - Design your own bespoke Christmas decoration

17<sup>th</sup> December - Needle felt a unique Christmas Card.

All workshops will run from 6.30 pm - 8.30 pm £15.00 per person and price includes all materials and refreshments.

Booking is advisable as spaces are limited.

Also, Pilates will return on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September, every Tuesday 4:15pm to 5pm.

### Licenseses of Meeting Point House

[Talent Match](#) - The aim is to find people (18 to 24 year olds) who are hidden from the system, primarily in the hope of getting them into work. They also work with young people with all ranges of learning difficulties.

[Telford Christians Together](#) - An umbrella body for churches in the borough of Telford & Wrekin.

[STAY](#) - Provides supportive housing for formally homeless 18 - 35 year old's.

[AGE UK](#) - They offer a wide variety of resources to members of the public who are 50+.

[Healthwatch](#) - Are an independent champion for local people to empower them and allow their voices to be heard about the health and social care services they use,

[A4U](#) - Empower people with disabilities (of all ages) and their families to understand their options

[Telford Stars](#) - Support those affected by drugs and alcohol.

[Livability](#) - Tackle social isolation which can cause barriers in the lives of disabled and vulnerable people.

[Victim Support](#) - They offer support to victims of all types of crime whether reported or not.

[Resource](#) - Their aim is to resource little, local and ordinary churches to engage with the dynamic work of the Holy Spirit.

[The Bridge Charity](#) - Offers a variety of Psychological therapies on an out-patient basis to those who served within the Armed Forces. Their goal is to treat the underlying causes .

### User Group Meeting & Next Edition

Meeting Point House User Group meeting will be held on:

**TUESDAY 10<sup>th</sup>  
SEPTEMBER 2019**

If you would like to contribute anything towards the next edition of the Meeting Point House Newsletter please submit any content to:

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