

community matters

Introduction

Welcome to our spring edition of Community Matters, dedicated to Arise Hatfield. In this special edition find out how Arise Hatfield benefits our community and could help boost projects that you may be involved with.



What is ARISE Hatfield?

ARISE Hatfield was set up in 2013 providing an annual fund to support Hatfield initiatives that enhance the lives of local people. The ARISE fund is open to Hatfield groups or individuals to apply for grants of up to £1000. The ARISE Hatfield fund is donated by four business partners, each contribute £5,000 per year. The partners comprise of The Galleria (owned by Landsec), Ocado, Gascoyne Cecil Estates and Interserve Plc Support Services.

Funding Grant Applications

Applicants are required to complete a simple form and provide contact details for two referees. Applicants may strengthen their bid by providing other materials like newsletters, testimonials and videos.

An independent committee meet every 3 months to review applications and assign funding. **Since the fund began Arise Hatfield has granted a total of £56,000 across 69 Hatfield projects.**

A promotional poster for Arise Hatfield. At the top is the 'ARISE HATFIELD' logo. Below it, a yellow semi-circle contains the text 'DOES YOUR GROUP NEED A BOOST?' in white, and 'FUNDING OF UP TO £1000' in large blue letters. Below the semi-circle, it says 'Arise Hatfield supports community groups and initiatives within Hatfield, with funding of up to £1000. So whether you're looking to launch a new idea or just improve the services you currently offer - we can help!'. At the bottom, it says 'To find out more please get in touch:' followed by '01707 275050 OR MAIL@ALMARKETING.COM', a Facebook icon with 'arisehatfield', and 'www.arisehatfield.com'. At the very bottom, it says 'SUPPORTED BY:' followed by logos for 'the galleria', 'GASCOYNE CECIL ESTATES', 'incentive', and 'ocado.com'.

The Galleria's Community Champion is Alison Linskey, if you would like any more details on any event please contact alison.linskey@landsec.com or call 01707 256860 extn 225.

Some of the projects **Arise Hatfield** have supported

Citizens Advice Welwyn Hatfield



Citizens Advice and the local food bank had efficiently met the demand of an increase in the number of people requiring assistance with food. However, they discovered that often the recipients were unable to cook their food support packages due to a lack of gas/electricity meter funds. The same monetary challenge was also preventing essential home heating for many. An Arise Hatfield grant enabled 'top up fuel vouchers' for those most in need within Hatfield.

Countess Anne School

The 2018 government school scheme the 'Daily Mile' actively encourages pupils to exercise daily improving child health, fitness, social skills and well being. At Countess Anne school, an Arise Hatfield grant helped physically establish the scheme onsite by funding the painting of their 1 mile running track upon the school grounds.



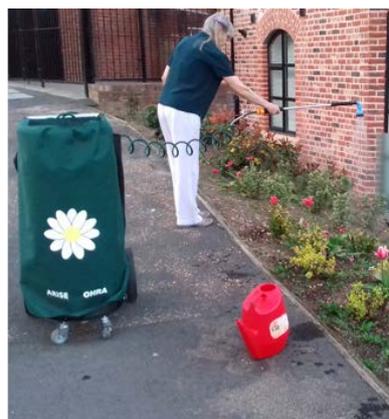
Welwyn Hatfield Community & Voluntary Service

Welwyn Hatfield Community & Voluntary Service transport people in the community to health related appointments. An Arise Hatfield grant enabled the group to install a much needed lifting device which facilitates the transport of wheelchair users from door to door.



Old Hatfield Residents' Association

The Old Hatfield Residents Association (OHRA) aims to encourage community spirit and empower residents to enjoy and improve the local area in which they live. OHRA received ARISE Hatfield funding to purchase a mobile watering device for Old Hatfield enabling them to water the various beds, planters and baskets maintaining a bright, well-kept pleasant place to live.



The old method involved transporting heavy loads of water and a step ladder by car. OHRA have many older generation members for whom this setup was challenging and uncomfortable.

Community Activity



Hatfield Community Games 2019

Hatfield Community Games, (11th June 2019), is a sports festival managed by Sports Inspired and sponsored by The Galleria, Ocado and the University of Hertfordshire. 200 local school children will be participating in the event, trying out different sports with the support and encouragement of up to 100 volunteers! The children will also take part in healthy living exercises and a road safety workshop. The Galleria Management Team will once again be putting on their sports gear to support this year's Hatfield Community Games. If you or your staff would like to enquire about volunteering at this event please contact alison.linskey@landsec.com

Education Partners & Activities

The Galleria continues to work closely with a number of secondary schools in the local area. We are currently supporting Monk's Walk Year 9 students with a project which invites students to create a pop up shop concept and mini business plan.



Over the projects 6 week period, The Galleria management team will be supporting with planning and presentation advice, providing information of industry challenges and assisting with the final judging stage.



Armed Forces Day Saturday 29th June

The Galleria supports Armed Forces Day, the perfect opportunity to show our appreciation and respect to serving soldiers, veterans, cadets and all their families. During Armed Forces Week we are offering free space in the Galleria to all Armed Force related organisations. For further information please contact alison.linskey@landsec.com

Our Community Noticeboard

The Galleria noticeboard is the perfect place for you to advertise your events **FREE** of charge. Simply email alison.linskey@landsec.com a jpeg A4 Poster and we will do the rest!

Local charity partner update



We continue to support local charity The Willow Foundation for which we recently held a raffle which raised £350. The total raised for The Willow Foundation this year is currently £1,106.36. Our target is to reach £1,250 by December 2019, which is the amount needed to provide a special day for a young adult, or child living with a life threatening condition such as cancer, motor neurone disease, cystic fibrosis, muscular dystrophy and Huntington's disease.

Get involved with our next fundraising event and be part of something special...

Fancy a cuppa?

21st June | 12pm - 2pm

Join us for tea & cake as we fundraise for

 **willow**
special days for seriously ill young adults

For more information or to sign up visit willowfoundation.org.uk/tea or call 01707 259 777

The Willow Foundation are always looking for new volunteers and especially need them in their retail stores, so if you would like to get involved and do something rewarding then please contact Willow via the details below.

**Gate House, Fretherne Road, Welwyn Garden City,
Hertfordshire. AL8 6NS | Telephone: 01707 259 777**

www.willowfoundation.org.uk



Environmental Efforts

Sustainability

In the UK, 7.7 billion plastic bottles of water are purchased each year – that's over 20 million a day. Although Landsec do great work across our centres in recycling, the best approach is for us to reduce our plastic consumption. On average, only half of all the water bottles purchased in the UK get recycled. The rest are burned, sent to landfill or end up in our ecosystems. This contributes to the eight million tonnes of plastic which enter our oceans each year.

For this reason we are keen to enable our customers to refill their water bottles at the following locations around The Galleria: Odeon, Pizza Express, Nando's, Prezzo, Harvester, Chiquito, Frankie & Benny's, Real China, Bella Italia, Costa and Caffè Nero.



Energy Saving Initiatives

With the introduction of our Business Focused Maintenance system and our ongoing energy saving initiatives, we have further reduced our gas and electrical consumption at the centre this year.

In the last year we have reduced our gas consumption by -10.3% which produced a carbon saving of 22,744 KgCo2. In respect to our electrical energy, we have reduced our overall consumption by -3.3% which produced a carbon saving of 86,952 KgCo2. These savings have been made possible through 24 hour monitoring and strategic review of our control systems across the centre.

Last year we started to see the effectiveness of our air barriers located by our main entrance areas. The air barrier implementations have helped us to control our air temperature, reducing our heating and cooling requirements, thus positively impacting our overall energy consumption.



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Climate Change

Landsec have become one of the first companies in the world to pledge to the ambitious targets of The Climate Group, who are an international non-profit group with the goal of reducing the effects of global warming. According to the group, electric transport, energy efficiency and renewable power are the three most critical areas for attention. To support The Climate Group Landsec have pledged to increase the number of EV charge point across the whole of the portfolio and EV charge points will be installed into the Galleria car parks later in 2019.



Environmental Objectives

- To optimise sustainable outcomes by working closely with our customers and business partners
- To minimise our use of resources and eliminate waste to landfill
- To reduce greenhouse gas emissions associated with our business activities
- To minimise the risks of pollution, contamination and breaches of legislation
- To conserve and enhance to the natural environment
- To promote communication and education.



Waste Management

In 2018 we achieved 72% recycling and in line with our zero to landfill policy, 100% of waste was diverted from landfill.



In 2019 with the help of our new Waste Management partner, Go4Greener, our focus is to increase our recycling to 75% whilst maintaining 100% diversion from landfill.



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Nurturing Plants and People at the Learning Garden

This exciting community venture has seen 5,000ft² of our car park transformed into a living and breathing space, complete with vegetable and herb plots, wild flowers, herbaceous and perennial beds, as well as established trees and shrubs.

Waste Not Want Not is a social enterprise and community interest company based in the North car park of The Galleria.



Established four and a half years ago, the project uses horticulture as a therapeutic tool to help those who have experienced major traumas in their lives get back on track. There are also volunteers who wish to put something back into their community and learn new horticulture skills.

Waste Not Want Not sell the plants in the Learning Garden, and all monies taken are ploughed back into the project (there are no paid staff).

The garden is a little bit of heaven in Hatfield and is the perfect space for some peace and quiet to enjoy your lunch break so do please drop by with your picnic lunch and enjoy the garden.

The learning garden is open Tuesdays 10am – 2pm, however this is reliant on volunteer availability, so we advise that you call and check ahead of visiting please.



Waste Not Want Not are keen to recruit more volunteers to help man the Learning Garden. Please phone Hal Fowler on 01438 941168 or email with your contact details.