

Design & Access statement for use of Old Vicarage, Banks, Seascale

Office Space- The two larger rooms upstairs will be used as office space for the Youth Centre staff as follows;

- 3 staff Monday – Friday 9:00 -18:00
- On Mondays & Wednesdays this will increase to 6 staff 9:00-18:00.

Some staff come on foot and those who use cars will either use the car parking at the vicarage or park in the public car park just down the road.

Youth Space- The two large rooms down stairs will be used for small group work for ages 11-18 with up to 18 young people in at anytime plus 2 staff. 16 in total including staff is the current limit at 1a South Parade where our current base is and the vicarage is much larger. In practice there is usually around 12-14 young people accessing these sessions, please below for Timetable.

The rooms will have TV, settees and bean bags as well as foldable tables & chairs. The kitchen will only be used by young people when there is a specific cooking/baking session taking place. Most of the small group work is either discussion based or involves using pen/paper or laptops.

The site we use at present conforms to all the relevant Health & Safety law-eg Fire risk assessment, COSHH assessments, risk assessments for the building and each activity. We are registered with environmental health as regards food preparation. All this will be completed and assessments undertaken before the Vicarage is open to the public. The staff member responsible for Health & Safety has undertaken IOSSH and the fire risk assessment will be undertaken by an outside contractor who also provides the fire extinguishers.

Monday-

Parent Support Group 11:00-13:00

NEET Provision 14:00-16:00

Social Action Group 17:00-19:00

Tuesday-

NEET Provision 14:00-16:00

Wednesday-

NEET Provision 14:00-16:00

Midweek Youth group- Informal education workshops 18:00-21:00

Thursday-

NEET Provision 14:00-16:00

Friday-

Friday Night Project-small group work 19:00-21:00

Saturday-

Dyslexia Group-small group work 9:00-12:00

Sunday-

X-Treme-Bible study/Worship 10:00-12:00

NB- Both the main Friday night youth clubs will continue to be delivered at the Methodist church Hall due to the larger numbers. The group which meets in the vicarage will be for smaller group work.

There are two smaller rooms upstairs and one of which will be used as the 1:1/counselling room. There will be an option to use a room downstairs for those for whom access is an issue.