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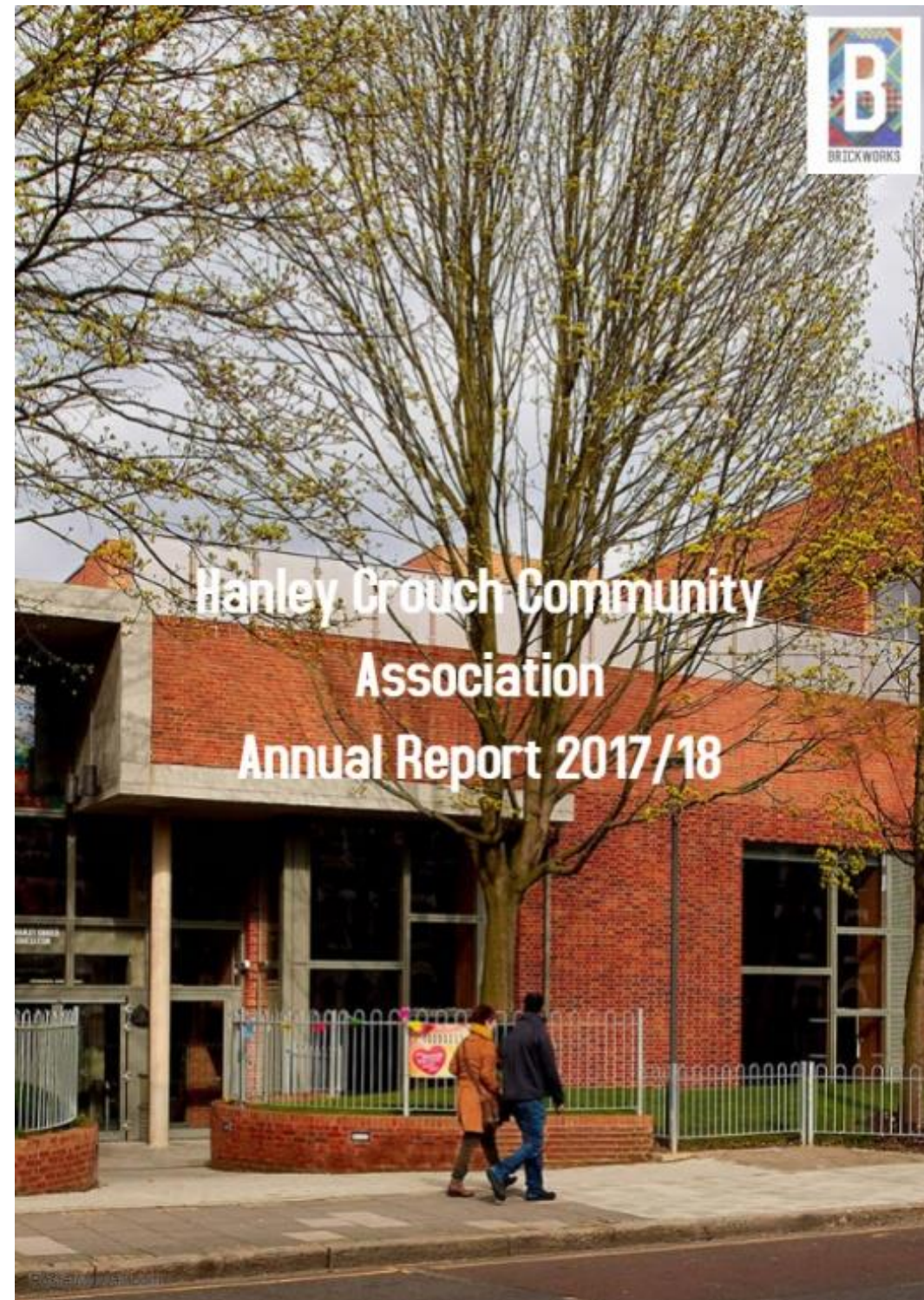
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Our Aim

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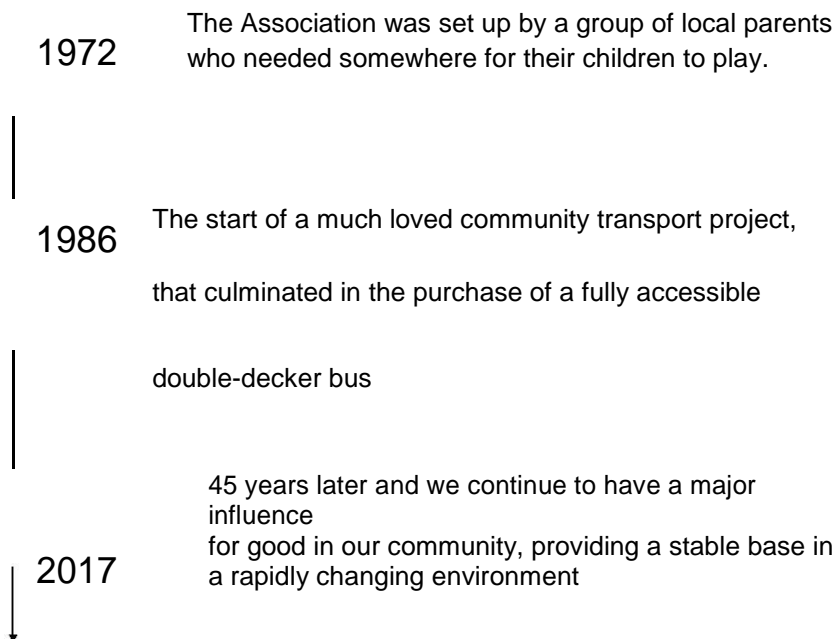
Improve the lives of people in our local community and to promote community involvement and community cohesion through the delivery of services needed for children, young people and the elderly.

We are a multi-purpose Community Association operating in the Tollington Ward, in North Islington, London. Our Association was set up originally in 1972 by a group of local parents who needed somewhere for their children to play. We are a multi-cultural organisation that celebrates diversity and inclusion.

We aim to provide services to the whole community irrespective of age, gender, race, disability or sexual orientation. All are welcome to our centre, known locally as "The Laundry".

Over the last forty years we have had and will continue to have a major influence for the good in our community, providing a stable base in a rapidly changing environment.

History



Donations

Over the past 40 years Hanley Crouch Community Association has provided services and projects to the community. We rely upon grants and donations from generous organisations/businesses and individuals to continue our work.

If you wish to make a donation or would like more information, please contact us by (t) 0207 263 1067, (e) admin@hanleycrouch.org.uk or alternatively come in to the centre and speak to a member of staff.

If you wish to make a donation by cheque, please make it out to 'Hanley Crouch Community Association Ltd' and post it to Brickworks Community Centre, 42 Crouch Hill N4 4BY.

You can also donate online via PayPal on our website: <http://www.hanleycrouch.org.uk>, there is also information on the site about other ways you can help.

Every penny you can give will help support our services and all the people that use our community centre.

Our Funders

We would like to thank our funders for their continuing support and confidence in our work. They are:

Awards for All
City YMCA
First Give
LBI Children's Services
LBI Early Years Services
LBI Housing Needs & Strategy
LBI Regeneration
East London Business Association who kindly give us over 150 toys to give out to our users of our Stay & Play and After School Club.

Finance Report

The financial performance of Hanley Crouch Community Association Ltd for the 2017/18 financial year is a surplus of £21,487. The charity has total reserves as at the year-end of £60,347, of which £2,946 were restricted revenue funds.

The centre historically found difficulties with containing spend within its incoming annual resources. The centre has strived to provide the highest possible level of services to meet the needs of the local community of one of London's most impoverished and disadvantaged areas (Tollington Ward) against a backdrop of reducing Council and grant funding. This led to the centre accepting a free of interest loan from Islington Council of £55,000 in 2007/08.

The centre is now a much more financially robust organisation as demonstrated by the fact that the organisation fully repaid the last remaining balance of this loan, £7,173 during 2014/15.

The community centre has dramatically improved both its financial management at an operational level and financial oversight at a Board of Trustees level over recent years.

These improvements have included:

- Annual budget accountability statements for each project prepared by Team Leaders and agreed by the Board of Trustees.
- Monthly forecasts prepared and presented to monthly Board of Trustees meetings, together with accounts receivable aged analysis reports to improve debt collection.
- Financial regulations have been reviewed and updated.
- Appointment of a chartered certified accountant to the Board of Trustees as Treasurer.

Allister Bannin (Treasurer)

The Local Area



Population

There are 14,220 people living in Tollington



Vulnerable groups

27% of children are living in poverty in Tollington compared with 19% across London



Housing

2% of households lack central heating in Tollington compared with 3% across London



Crime & safety

The overall crime rate is higher than the average across London



Health & wellbeing

17% of people have a limiting long-term illness in Tollington compared with 14% across London



Education & skills

17% of people have no qualifications in Tollington compared with 18% across London



Economy

42% people aged 16-74 are in full-time employment in Tollington compared with 40% across London



Access & transport

64% of households have no car in Tollington compared with 42% across London



Communities & environment

The % of people 'satisfied with their neighbourhood' (77.1%) is higher than the average across London (74.4%)

Other Services at Brickworks:

Slimming World

Tuesdays – 7:30pm

Slimming World changes people lives, builds their self-esteem, gives tremendous health benefits, builds communities and introduces new friends. We teach healthy eating habits for live without deprivation. We aim to give people back their health and wellbeing.

Blythwood Nursery:

Mondays - Fridays: 8am – 6pm

For over 15 years, we have been providing a day care service that is dedicated to building a safe, loving and caring environment for children aged between 18 months and 4 years. Whatever cultural background your child is from and whatever their requirements may be, you can be sure that our nursery will give them all the love and support they need. For more information, please contact us on **020 7263 5070** or **info@blythwoodcommunitynursery.co.uk**

Special People:

24/7 support

Special People are a specialist service working with children and adults with special needs. The services they provide are short break service, overnight care, companionship, personal care, behavioural management, live in support, life skills teaching and physiotherapy.

For more information, please contact us on **020 7686 0253** or **www.specialpeople.org.uk**.

Palace for All:

Monday - Thursday. 12:30pm – 6pm (drop in all day)

Palace for All works with children with special needs and offers drop in play and a range of therapies including speech and language therapy, music therapy, reflexology, cranial osteopathy and social communication.

For more information, please contact us on **020 7561 1689** or **www.palaceforall.org.uk**.

Christmas Toys:

Over the last 5 years with the help of the BIG Alliance, we have been very fortunate to receive from the East London Business Alliance (ELBA) over 100 toys that we give out to our regular users in Stay & Play and After School Club and other organisations in the centre.

We are as always eternally grateful and thank you so much Ashley and co for your help and support over the years.



Hate Crime Forum

Colin Adams chairs the Islington Hate Crime Forum. The Forum brings around 20 community and faith organisations together and we meet on a quarterly basis.

The Forum has developed an action plan based on the following strategic aims:

- Raise Awareness of Hate Crime;
- Help reduce the risk of someone becoming the victim of Hate Crime;
- Provide support to victims of Hate Crime;
- Give guidance on how to report Hate Crime and increase the rate of sanctions.

The Forum arranged a series of events during National Hate Crime Awareness week in October which included the following:

- Giving out information at “Pop up” stalls at known Hate Crime “hot spots”;
- Meetings with Community Groups to discuss the HC Forum and how they can become involved;
- Secured funding to develop an on-line training package on Hate Crime for “front line staff” within the council and community groups so they can raise awareness of Hate Crime;
- Held a series of workshops for community groups who are affected by Hate Crime and developed a community guide for users to report hate crime. One of the workshops was in Emirates Stadium where we had over 100 students attend.

If you want to find out more about Hate Crime, please send an email to either admin@hanleycrouch.org.uk or HateCrimeForum@islington.gov.uk.

CENTRE MANAGER'S REPORT



Colin Adams MBE

Finally moved in after much delay and exhausting time but staff were fantastic and we managed to move in and be operational within a week of moving. Our opening event received over 600 people attending.

It has been a great move and we can now offer so many more services including a:

- Community Nursery
- Health services
- More hall hire
- Community Café/Juice Bar
- Work placements, local opportunities.

There are still a few challenges with the building and need to see what our “running costs” will be but the feedback has been very positive, including the number of people coming in to find out what we do. We have increased users by at least 50% in the last four months.

By being on the main road it has made me realise the high level of vulnerable people walking up and down our street. We will make it our aim to give them more support and it is one of our priorities in the next few months and now we have the building to do this.

We were also successful in getting to stage 1 of the Placed Based Social Action programme. This is focused around residents taking control and leading on an issue that concerns or inspires them which is the origin of Hanley Crouch. We are working on submitting a proposal for Stage 2 which if successful will mean a “culture change” on how we develop community services in the Tollington Ward.

CHAIR'S REPORT



Well what a year 2018 has turn out to be for Hanley Crouch!

With just a tiny tinge of nostalgia we said farewell to the Laundry and despite all the hold ups we eventually moved into our brand new Brickworks building on Crouch Hill in January and are going each day from strength to strength. We are grateful to the excellent London Borough of Islington teams involved in this project for all the hours spent on planning, negotiating and organising on our behalf.

Our official opening was on 20th January, attended by over 600 people, the first of many great social gatherings!

One of the greatest advantages of the centre being on a main road is that we have increased our footfall by 50%. Yes, that's a lot more people accessing our services. We have also been able to host a variety of new activities at the centre, further extending our reach into the community.

I would like to thank all the staff, volunteers and trustees who all work tirelessly to ensure that the activities at the new building reflect the needs of the community.

A special note of thanks must go to Colin, our Centre Manager for living and breathing Hanley Crouch and now Brickworks. Without his dedication we would not be where we are today at our brand new building at 42 Crouch Hill!

Sally Sturgeon
Chair of Trustees

Carol Myer Hobbs has continued to run the arts & crafts group on a Monday where they use a various of techniques these are glass decoration, card making and more...

Once a month Glenda Daniels co-ordinates our Tranquil Health & Wellbeing workshops, activities include music, poetry, guest speakers i.e. Sadlers Wells, North London Cares and much more...



Volunteering/Work Placements

As an organisation, without the support of our volunteers, we would not be able to provide the range of services that we currently deliver. In 2017 there were 10 volunteers offering an average total of 36 hours per week of unpaid time which, if valued at national living wage, demonstrates a total contribution of £12,576.

Hanley Crouch has a long tradition of working with volunteers and all the projects we currently run have volunteers working with them. They provide a vital service and many of our volunteers have gone onto full time employment within the project they have worked with or within similar settings. We also aim to provide work placement students/ volunteers a rewarding and fulfilling experience within our organisation which should equip them with the necessary skills, behaviours and attitudes to progress within their chosen field. However, I do want to stress that there are a number of different volunteering opportunities and we would meet prior to you starting to determine what you would like to get out of the opportunity. Please speak to any member of staff if you are interested in volunteering or email admin@hanleycrouch.org.uk.

Wiggle Beats

Stay & Play run a Wiggle Beats programme on Thursday which introduces music, singing, dancing and Movement. This stimulates learning by contributing to the natural development of cognitive social, emotional and physical skills, this is where parent/child can spend quality time doing a fun activity.



Older People's Services:

Lunch Group: 1pm – 2:30pm

Zumba Gold: 11:30am – 12:30pm

Arts & Crafts Group: 11am – 2pm

Tranquil Health & Wellbeing workshop:

Once a month

The Weekender's group has been running for a number of years now at Hanley Crouch, providing a warm and healthy lunch on Fridays as well as celebrating cultural events.

In partnership with Hornsey Lane Estate Community Association they also do regular day trips including two weekend holidays during the Summer. The group will be planning day trips to museums and brunches this year. They attended a Bollywood Brunch in November which they enjoyed very much.



Children's & Young People's Services

Hanley Crouch Community Association's Children's Services have been successfully working simultaneously within the Play Principles and Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS)

frameworks. We can proudly say that combining both principles and curriculum enables us to use play so that the children can have the best possible start, build on their social skills, appreciate how in risks and challenges they can make valuable connections with the environment, and have fun.

After School Club

Monday to Friday 3:15pm to

6:15pm (term time only)

£11 per session 4-12yrs

ASC understands that after a long day at school children just want to wind down and have fun. We provide a safe, stimulating, fun environment for children to do this, they are socialising with others and get to learn new skills.

We are still currently collecting children from five local schools; St Gilda's Junior School, St Peter-in-chains infant school, Christ the King primary, Ashmount and Pooles Park primary school. We have had a very busy year. Our team have been working together for a while now and we have built a strong working relationship. As you may be aware we have now moved into our amazing new building which has given us great opportunities to do more activities. We have a large kitchen where children can do cooking activities. We have also partnered up with Octopus communities in making our rough top garden a calm and safe place for the children to enjoy the outdoors.

Mondays – Circle Time, where the children are allowed to elaborate on what they have been up to over the weekend, which gives them a sense of in-dependence and builds confidence. Also on Monday is a Cooking Club where children can join in with the preparation of the snacks.

Tuesday – Art Day, allowing the children to express themselves creatively

Wednesday – Timbuktu Adventure Playground, this is a free play session

Thursday – Movie Night/Football, Children have the chance to relax and watch a children friendly movie or for those that want burn some energy, we have football available at the nearby pitch.

Friday – Games Day, indoor hockey, badminton, table football and table tennis in the main hall. For children that want to do other things the nursery space is open for them to free play.



Holiday Play Scheme

Monday to Friday 8:30am to 6pm (half terms 9 weeks during the year) £20 per day (additional fees may apply for certain trips & outings, trips and outings are subject to change depending on weather)

The Holiday Play Scheme is designed to support working families as we know how hard it can be to get good affordable childcare that supports the individual needs of their children.

We provide a safe and stimulating environment, while planning activities and trips the ages and stages of development of the children that attend. Our activities are varied to ensure all children get to enjoy something they love doing.



This year the children were lucky enough to get theatre tickets to Sadler's Wells and watch Arsenal play at the Emirates Stadium.

Our end of term party went with a bang, children got to enjoy a bouncy castle, coconut shy, tombola and more with lots of great prizes. We do this to also wish all our children transitioning into Secondary school good luck for their futures. Where they have learnt how to grow, pick & cook their own vegetables.



We had lots of good feedback from parents/carers.

"Hanley Crouch helped me to work knowing my child is in a safe environment. The staff are friendly and I know my child is well looked after. They have lots of varied activities and my children enjoy coming to the scheme."

Under 5's - Stay & Play/Toy Library

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10am to 12 noon Free service for under 5's

Our Stay & Play is an Ofsted registered free service used by children, parents, carers, nannies and childminders. Over the past year the service has proven ever popular with users travelling from all around the borough to attend. Stay and play sessions provide a wealth of benefits to both parents and their children, including:

- Children play both indoors and outdoors
- Build confidence and develop relationships with others
- Provide a friendly, welcoming atmosphere
- Make new friends, encouraging children to share and take turns
- Sessions include healthy snack time and songs and/or stories
- Receive support, advice and information from staff about issues that affect families with young children
- Advice and information relevant to family's needs such as:
- Calmer Night's sleep workshops – to improve both parents and your child's sleep to feel more confident about your family's routine
- Information and workshops on Breastfeeding also induction to solids and an opportunity to meet other breastfeeding mothers
- Stress less workshops- Parents/carers learn about stress and ideas to help them stress less
- Healthy eating – buying on a budget
- Under-fives Oral Health Hygiene (Teeth4Life) workshop
- Potty Training and advice workshops
- Elizabeth Dolane is the new Family Engagement worker from Bright start who is trained in delivering parenting programmes, antenatal, Incredible years and other services who will be working alongside Hanley crouch Stay & Play
- After Consulting with parents/carers Childminders we will be working to arrange the following workshops in the future:
- Healthy Months which includes let's get healthy E.g. Swimming, Aerobics for mothers & Children
- Overweight/ Healthy eating/Healthy lifestyle
- Healthy start vitamins for women & vitamins for children

