

Arts Centre planning exhibitions & events for Christmas & New Year

Erica Brook, our events Co-ordinator has started planning a range of events for the next three months. A detailed calendar will appear in our November ST13.

A mixed exhibition of local artists will be on show, with local bands tuning in for what we hope will be well-attended gigs, and heart-warming children's carol singing around the Christmas tree in the Foxlowe cafe.

There will be a festive warm-you-up supper menu for the Market Place Christmas Tree lights switch-on and a special surprise for the children.

The Foxlowe, with its pride of place at the head of the Market Place, and its central position in Leek, so long neglected, is now the focus of much attention. The building is being prepared for its new future by a group of volunteers, united in their vision of an arts community centre which will embrace and show-case the wide-ranging creative talents of the people of Leek and surrounding area.

The offers of help and suggestions for the use of this grand old house highlights the amount of activity already happening in Leek. Everyone's enthusiasm is infectious with their thoughts engaging with such areas as dance, music making, both classical and modern, singing, poetry, theatre, arts and crafts activities, reading, knitting, discussion groups, tea and square dances, gigs, exhibitions, talks; a seemingly inexhaustible flow of possibilities.

We shall encourage schools to bring their exhibitions and concerts right into the centre of Leek, thus giving an opportunity for all individuals to enjoy the wonderful work that is being created by our young people.

At the centre of this enterprise will be the Foxlowe Cafe, which we hope

will be a congenial meeting-place where you may relax, talk with friends, take time out and enjoy the home produced food, which, where possible, will be grown locally.

Our ethos is democratic. We want your ideas and suggestions, and we would appreciate offers to help spread the work load. This is an opportunity to be engaged in an enterprise where all work together for the common good of the people of Leek and our town.

The Quiet Woman

Hayley Bowcock
at the Quiet Woman
presents
a full programme of
live music

October

8th The Rudeboys

13th Copy Catz

15th Take Cover

20th Andi Hall

22nd Conspirators

27th Ray Warmsley

29th October at the

THE SCARIEST PUB IN LEEK

Halloween Party

with the

Headlessmen

free entry!

Fancy Dress

Prize for Best Dress

Free shot draw in

Fancy Dress!

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Foxlowe Arts Centre

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Directors/Trustees:

Peter Kent-Baguley

Roger Warrillow

Colin Broome

seeking your support for

*cups & saucers and tables &
chairs for the cafe*

*people to clean and paint a
couple of hours weekly*

more people to pledge

£2 per week

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All systems go! We've signed the lease and works commenced



Foxlowe Arts Centre is a big step nearer to opening its doors to welcome all members of the community.

The three directors of the Foxlowe Arts Centre limited company by guarantee signed the 13 months lease last Thursday.

The Three directors, Roger Warrillow, Colin Broome and Peter Kent-Baguley, issued a brief statement:

“This is an historic moment. At last, the foundations of a vibrant and successful arts centre have been laid. We are delighted with the support shown for the project and determined to harness and co-ordinate the efforts of everyone who wants to contribute to the development of this important project for the benefit and enjoyment of all.”

Bank account

Now that we have opened the Foxlowe Arts Centre bank account with HSBC, Leek, we are writing to all

the people who have pledged £2 per week so that they may complete the Standing Order and where appropriate, Gift Aid forms.

Also, now that the bank account is up and running we have been able to submit our application to the Charity Commission for registration as a charity.

We have secured a 13 months lease instead of

one year. This may sound a minor matter but one extra month to develop the Centre and its income should give us a more solid base on which to go forward with the purchase process.

Public meeting

More than 60 people came to our public meeting on 12th September at the Foxlowe and after the formal business had been dealt with there was a lively and enthusiastic buzz in the room and a real delight that at long last an Arts Centre would be a reality.

Parkside Trust

Several people expressed concern about the fate of their substantial donations some years ago to the Parkside Trust now that the Foxlowe Trust was taking the lead.

At the Parkside Trust trustees' meeting last week a proposal to donate a small fraction of the Parkside's £190,000 was defeated.

The people of Leek and especially those who have in good faith donated money to Parkside for the development of an Arts Centre will want to know precisely what is to be done with such a substantial sum of money. One donor who wishes to remain anonymous for the time being said: “If they don't support the Foxlowe I shall ask for my money back so that I can make sure it goes to the Foxlowe Centre.”

Colleen's Cafe
Getliffe's Yard

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service and good food
at affordable prices*



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