

2017 OPEN DAY SHOWCASE

Over the last 20 years, Croydon Voluntary Action (CVA) have hosted almost 500 different types of community activities at the Waterside Centre with the priority given to events that improve the health and wellbeing of local people. These have been as diverse as a Medieval Re-enactment Society and baby yoga to Sailing, Cricket, Tai-Chi and Qi Gong!



WATERSIDE CENTRE FUTURE PLANS

- Work with Croydon Council, NHS Croydon, SLaM and other statutory Providers to ensure Waterside provides relevant satellite services for local people
- Maintain and develop Waterside Centre status as the main community focal point for residents living in the local area
- Engage the local community to participate in new and modern ways of keeping fit e.g. boxercise, martial arts, mobile gyms
- Work with park users to develop youth services such as cricket, sailing, and host activities and events to bolster youth engagement
- Respond to emerging needs as the local population grows and the community continues to change and diversify. e.g. hosting outdoor activities for local people in small flats with no garden space
- Continue to be innovative and say 'yes' to new ideas and initiatives using the spaces. e.g. health and beauty services, therapy rooms, art studio spaces, design studio
- Support current users to maintain and develop their activities to ensure the centre continues to be a well-used and sustainable resource
- Develop the management model to ensure the Centre is run neutrally and effectively to meet the needs of all users embracing a culture of multi-use and multi-functional activities and events
- Continue to encourage all centre users to work in a spirit of partnership and co-operation for the mutual benefit of the whole community
- Work with LB Croydon to develop South Norwood Lakes as an events space, managed by the community, and ensure that Waterside plays an integral part in the process