

**Guy Harvey**

**Public Engagement Event 5<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

# **GUY HARVEY YOUTH CENTRE**

**OPEN MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY**

**05 / 07 / 23 6:30pm**

**GHYC is a building with youth club, free runners, dance, and other activities for the young throughout the week.**

**The club needs modernisation.**

**It is an impressive building but tired.**

**We want you to be part of this exciting transformational project.**

**We welcome creatives and ideas people of any age to be part of envisioning a new future for the club.**

**32 adults  
attended plus 6  
young people**

# If this is a fresh start and you had a magic wand how would you transform the space and what happens here

- Indoor and outdoor spaces for all abilities plus venue available for hire for parties ect
- A fully inclusive and welcoming space for all
- Paint inside lighter to increase the light levels
- Less emphasis on appearance focus on offering a safe space and interesting range of activities
- Making the building more inviting by adding colour, having teams in different sports to represent the club and complete
- Flood lights sports court and rent the space to clubs
- Phase the development 1,2,3,4 bit by bit
- Colourfull murals
- Video murals
- Have an outdoor covered section
- Equipment for cardio strength and athletics equipment for- media, sound, vision and craft

**11** responses

# Guy Harvey SWOT

## STRENGTHS

- Indoor and outdoor spaces
- Size of venue
- Blank canvas for people to express themselves with art ect
- Keep supervised youth club much needed by local kids
- Great location with lots of potential users
- Clean large and open
- Good space
- Community wants to be involved and appetite to use the facility
- Youth of all ages and inclusive

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## WEAKNESSES

- Lack of volunteers
- Strong reliance on willing volunteers people are busy and it needs money
- Currently drab and uninspiring office/prison feel
- Uninviting dark and dull
- Dark and empty and lacking content
- Dedicated youth worker with vols to support is missing
- New resource's are needed
- Understanding SEND
- Where does the funding come from
- People money and organization day to day is missing
- Don't forget about vulnerable groups and anxious CYP struggling to leave the home
- Uninviting space and old fashioned decoration

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- Build links to existing institutions or providers eg churches , schools and Nantwich Fc
- Publicity and promotions
- Lots of space with lots of potential
- Community hub
- Youth development links to awards, D of E or 6<sup>th</sup> form visits
- Build links with youth zones and Youth Fed
- Life skills support and employment aspirations
- Multiuse and activities to bring the community together
- Dedicated youth worker and acknowledge how important jobs are
- Host visits from experts eg animal care, florists, interesting jobs ect
- Consider what SEND provision looks like
- Don't forget elderly and other groups
- Good news stories
- Cookery club, life skills and low demand activities
- Contacts - everyone and anyone
- Aim to deliver for all ages - toddlers, coffee mornings, teens and retirees

## OPPORTUNITIES

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- Partnership buy in and/or lack of community support
- Lacking reach
- Money supply . Good will, and lack of skills
- Vandalism of property not secured
- Affordability of overheads
- Lack of budget to implement and sustain changes
- Not enough staff or volunteers ect with potential more asb if not done right

## THREATS

1. Set up a Guy Harvey netball team is there a league to compete in
2. Patterns of the floor
3. Line markings on the floor and portable equipment
4. Secure covered area
5. Attractive seating areas
6. Run art projects and classes outside
7. Change the name
8. Skateboarding or accessible sports for all as fresh air for people who don't have gardens
9. Structured or supported sports sessions eg table tennis badminton, tap into local provision NAR sports
10. Replace surface with all weather
11. Football and skateboarding
12. Yoga tai chi, pilates aimed at teens
13. Table tennis
14. Outdoor gym equipment
15. Tee pees
16. Football
17. Dodgeball
18. Cricket
19. Food festival stalls to raise funds
20. Outdoor kitchen area for catering
21. Archery
22. Outdoor seating

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23. Outdoor cinema and performance space
24. Gardening club
25. Community barbeque and getting together space
26. Sensory garden – mindfulness space – diy tasks and gardening
27. Football , basketball, skating and ping pong
28. Parkour club
29. Skateboard club
30. Make area accessible and unlocked
31. Customise the cage it would be a shame to lose it
32. The cage should always be open for everyone
33. Calm areas and lighting
34. Grow your own gardening club
35. Have a covered section
36. Chill out quiet area
37. Bring the creative refurb outside

**37** responses

# Thinking of activities what could happen here

1. Wifi, E Sports for those who might want to game – possible collaboration with SCSW who run courses
2. Disco nights, mix up the evenings
3. Lego room and inflatables, cinema nights and pool table
4. Table football and Air hockey
5. Café, board games and table football
6. Work with schools to offer them the space
7. Coding or animation club
8. Dance and drama and fitness for all suitable for everyone to be fully inclusive
9. Over 50s club
10. Low demand activity for youth and young adults sessions for those with SEND and anxiety
11. Affordable fitness classes
12. Soft play, mini golf and dodgeball
13. Kids cycling club
14. Cooking, youth tuck shop and cheaper snacks
15. Over 50a meet up and lunch
16. Create sports arena for informal football, consider visit or collaboration with Nantwich FC ref team work tasters
17. Daytime activities , elderly and mental health activity because access is good
18. Sports nights, art classes, food tating, cultural experiences
19. Create a music space
20. Party hire
21. hotdesking to allow people to come and work in a nice space and allow for networking

22. Skateboarding club
23. Rent out space for events and
24. Cycling lessons with volunteers from local cycling club
25. Rehearsal space for local youth musicians
26. Fitness classes and childrens gymnastics and martial arts
27. Cooking, trampolining, and computer lessons
28. Ballpit, dodgeball and calm area
29. Parties
30. Drop in and do art, provide a safe space when YP need it
31. Film and cinema nights
32. Homework club
33. Singing, dance, dodgeball,
34. Music, art drama and animation
35. Gaming nights, multiplayer minecraft every fortnight etc
36. Singing music, keep fit, badminton, crafting and basketball
37. Arts and crafts textiles and pottery, outdoors create large installation projects that everyone can join in
38. Youth club nights
39. Mum and baby meets
40. Youth triathlon
41. Gardening and allotment plot
42. Home schooling and other outreach groups

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- 43, like the idea of a working/study space needs reliable wifi
- 44. Creative volunteer workshop. Fitness classes, drop ins, charitable haircuts , space for wellbeing and disciions education and extrcirciculum
- 45. Video games, football, basketball, Parkour
- 46. Sexual health clinic and advice
- 47. Accommodate other groups as Dysart is very popular
- 48. Teen advice and workshops
- 49. Climbing wall
- 50. Advice on health mattersand aspirational ideas
- 51. Bouldering
- 52. Cooking and nutrition making good use of kitchen
- 53. Pokemon stop

**53** responses

# **Thinking of improving the design/decoration/and use of space, consider the possibilities and share and your ideas here**

- 1. Introduce a climbing wall**
- 2. Zones for different activities**
- 3. Bright and colourful plants**
- 4. Theme spaces and create modern kitchen for cooking**
- 5. Be mindful of service users need**
- 6. Should be more colourful**
- 7. More colourful flooring**
- 8. Outdoor teens shelter**
- 9. Graff wall**
- 10. Food area, calming decorative area**
- 11. Storage so the space does not get too cluttered with equipment**
- 12. Murals on walls**
- 13. Paint**
- 14. Led lighting, coloured lighting and mood lighting**
- 15. Furnishings could be day trips to charity shops and creative workshops**
- 16. Brighten up the areas**
- 17. Different rooms for different age groups**
- 18. Sensory space and quiet area as a chill out zone being sensitive to neurodiverse community**
- 19. Neon signage**
- 20. Cinema room**

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21. Wacky wall colours and non alcoholic bar
22. Warm and comfortable environment
23. Reflect a more youthful vibe through urban style and lighting
24. More green sound proofing so there is quieter space outside at the rear
25. Long lasting and easy maintenance
26. Cushions and bean bags
27. Local artists to design and create different designs throughout the space
28. My kids use this space a lot and they don't care what it looks like they are here for the people - belonging
29. Less like a prison
30. Eye level windows
31. Reception area to be more welcoming and updated furniture in main area.

**31** responses

# Now you are leaving

## Please let us know how you feel

Tick the boxes that apply

Thoughtful



5 people said this

Excited

9 people said this



Curious

2 people said this



Happy



1 person said this

Inspired



3 people said this

Confused



Pleased

2 people said this



Included and onboard



2 people said this

# What does this information tell us

- 30 residents and attending young people appear to be welcoming the idea of change and possibilities
- More answers were thoughtful than blue sky shows maturity in the understanding of the journey
- The SWOT did not reveal all potential and all threat and weaknesses were not realised so awareness is needed
- There was a good level of honesty, excitement and energy in the room and shared
- Good level of understanding of challenges and opportunities but room for more thought and no one left feeling confused so the message had been delivered well and understood well
- 42% of those responding felt excited about the presentation and prospects
- 62% felt positively about the prospects = saying they were thoughtful, curious, happy, pleased, inspired included and onboard
- Some empathy/awareness for inclusivity and sensitive design – potential for empathy design workshop
- multitude of ideas shared suggested desires for the venue to be multifunctional for a delivery of different activities and different age groups including older people
- With more comments from adults than young people there is a need for more engagement with young people to gather their opinions
- Indicates a compromise and/or design challenge as much as people want the place painting and/or vibrant splashes of colour or graff wall or art work there also needs to consider the balance and calmness needed for SEN and autistic users who need a calmer pallet, less clutter and considerate of noise and lighting
- 24 people when leaving the event provided positive feelings feedback with no one sharing negative feelings

# Primary School input received from Andy

**5** responses

Ideas for outdoor activities	Ideas for inside activities	What should it look like inside?	What new skills would you like to learn?	Do you think the activities should be organised in smaller groups why?	Other ideas and thoughts?
Football pitch, waterslide, ping pong	Kitchen, cinema, chill room, pool tables, music room, café, board and video games table football	Space or modern	Cooking, pool table lesson	Yes so you can meet people of your own age	
Skating	Lego room, calm space, inflatables, arcade, ball pit	Wacky wall colours, non alcoholic bar	Music, drawing, drama, animating, cooking and trampolining	Yes because 11 yeas olds might not get on very well with 18 year olds	
Basketball	Video games, ball pit, dodgeball, slip and slide football	Calm	Cooking		
Football, basketball, parkour, trampoline	Video games, calm area, food area, cinema room	Led lights on the wall, green padded floor	Chilling, computers and sports	Each age has a group	VR room and games room arcade machines
Basketball, slip and slide football	Video games, VR room, water slides	Calm	Cooking		