



## Hale Community Centre is Crowdfunding for the Hale Youth Centre

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/hale-youth-centre-every-little-helps>

**Co-op Warm Spaces Funding Boost is providing live match funding, so enabling Hale Community Centre, with your help, to ensure that we can keep our Youth Centre, which is in a purpose-renovated building, warm and welcoming through times of high energy costs.**

The **Hale Youth Centre** is made up of a Youth Open Access facility for 11-19 year olds (funded by Reaching Communities), a Girlz Club for 11-16 year olds, a Boys Night In for 11-19 year olds and a Code Club for 9-13 year olds. We offer the only youth provision in North Farnham and over this year have delivered 67 sessions for more than 50 young people. Already this support is showing just how valuable it is. The local police report a reduction in crime by young people on Sandy Hill, the community from which most of the young people come and one which is high on a number of measures in the Multiple Indices of Deprivation.

The **Hale Youth Centre** provides opportunities these young people don't have elsewhere in their lives – a place to meet up with their friends; a place for entertainment, games and other activities; a place to be warm and prepare their own food; a place to be supported and listened to. All those attending have reported improvement in their mental health and personal confidence. Direct quotes include: *'I like how you always feed us and make us feel safe'*; *'we trust you and you treat us with respect'*; *'I have learned about all different things, like how to treat people with respect'*.

The Community Centre provides activities in response to the needs of our community, helping to reduce isolation, to improve health and well-being, confidence, self-reliance, and levels of education, skills and training. In addition to the Youth Centre, Hale Community Centre runs a community fridge & cupboard, a community garden, craft activities, a seniors' club, support for those with mental health issues, a community café and much more.

**Please help to support the young people of Farnham by donating through this link - every little helps and remember it will be doubled by Co-op Warm Spaces Funding Boost!**



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