

Mirfield Community Centre

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Re: Potential Closure of Mirfield Community Centre

On Monday 16th March Mirfield Community Trust received a copy of a Cabinet Report produced by Kirklees Council which outlined proposals for closing Mirfield Community Centre.

The report stated that the Centre's user groups had been consulted regarding their relocation. This had not taken place. The report also stated that alternative venues had been approached and could accommodate Mirfield Community Centre's user groups. This had not happened. The report stated that Ward Councillors were consulted – this did not happen also.

Mirfield Community Centre has almost 800 people use the facility every week. The centre needs to remain open so it can continue providing a home for community groups of all ages, backgrounds and abilities. It provides at minimum a hub, storage, meeting rooms, support and certainty to the local people of Mirfield and nearby.

To keep the centre open; to be able to action much needed repairs, decoration works and improvements, the centre needs the community to stand by and support this much needed and used resource.

Kirklees Cabinet deferred the agenda item due to the above reasons regarding consultation; it will therefore be discussed in the next few weeks. This deferral ensures that the public have their opportunity to comment.

This can be done via the following channels:

- Correspondence direct to Kirklees Cabinet Leader Councillor David Sheard david.sheard@kirklees.gov.uk
- Sign an online petition at www.change.org Search: Agree Freehold Asset Transfer of Mirfield Community Centre to MCT
- Sign the petition kept at the Community Centre
- Social media via the Centre's website www.gilderhall.co.uk

Any queries should be directed to: 01924 490835 or info@gilderhall.co.uk

Thankyou.

On behalf of MCC Management Committee