

WATFORD PARK U3A

List of possible venues as at December 2018 – Large and Small

St Luke's – Contact: Jenny Stromberg – 01923 246161 Office hrs: 9.15 – 1.30 pm

Main Hall (max about 170) – 3 hrs - £56.78

Upstairs meeting room – smaller (50) – 3 hrs - £47.63

Downstairs Lounge room – 3 hrs - £47.63

A First Aid kit is kept in the Church kitchen. Any person who might need to use any of the items from the kit, must inform the Church personnel so that used item/s can be replaced.

The lift needs to be booked separately with the St Luke's office anytime the upstairs room is booked.

Beechen Grove Baptist Church – Contact: Kathe Clark (Hall Mngr) 01923 234975

Email: office@bgbaptist.org.uk

M-F 9-4 to see facilities. Main Hall plus kitchenette)– capacity 200 cost from £25 per hr.

3 other rooms (60, 60, 30) cost from £17.50, £17.50 and £16.00 per hr respectively.

Parking facilities are very restricted between 8am-6pm as the car parking spaces belong to the offices that are joined to them during those times. There are 21 spaces that can be used by Beechen Grove after 6pm weekdays and all weekends and then it is on a first come first served basis.

Projector and screen available on request.

Watford Library Hempstead Road – contact: Kevin Woolcombe (SLA) 03001234049

Large meeting room upstairs, holding 50-70 people. £10 per hour plus Public Liability

Insurance of 5% on top if applicable. Has tea urn (bring your own tea...)and OHP. Accessible lift.

West Herts Sport Club, 8 Park Avenue (off Rickmansworth Rd) WD18 7HP

e-mail: westherts-sc@hotmail.co.uk

Function Room holding about 180 people with bar area. Good parking. Charges are £60 per hour. Hall hire without use of bar is £50 for up to 4 hours. Use of the kitchen, with all facilities, is £20. Disabled access within all areas of the function room. Contact: Louise – 01923 229239.

Recorded message of contact 090701800485

Friends' Meeting House (Quakers), Church Rd, top end by College. Contact: Jane Keay – Tel: 01923 237089 – leaflet available

They don't have a large hall but certainly hire out their accommodation and have a central kitchen area. Their accommodation is as follows for 3-hr session:

Front room/Children's Room – max 30 people - £22, but intercommunicating with the room behind called East Room. The overall capacity of the 2 rooms would be around 40 people costing £33; however, not suitable for seated meetings with speaker. OK for socialising/dancing etc. The East Room on its own, seating 10 costs £22. It also has a serving hatch to the kitchen.

The Main Meeting Room - £33, seating 60 to 100 depending on format. There is a central loop system with microphone. The kitchen is next door with a hatch for convenient serving.

West room, same size as East room but with comfy armchairs, can seat up to 16.

The whole building can be hired for £75 for up to 3 hrs, and £12 per hour thereafter. Use of kitchen is available to all groups at all times. However, they have regular users of the rooms and so it is doubtful if the whole building would be available at any one time.

Many of our users appreciate the quiet, welcoming space and the large gardens. All bookings include the use of the kitchen facilities. There is sufficient parking outside with dedicated disabled spaces, and there is disabled access throughout the building.

They have daytime and evening spaces for regular groups.

Please contact the warden@watfordquakers.org.uk or phone 01923 237089.

One can download the lettings leaflet and the booking form.

Essex Arms Pub, Langley Way – 01923 219467

Happy for us to have Area 5 for casual meetings over lunch or afternoon coffee/tea. They are looking into opening for morning coffee, so this could be another opportunity. No charge.

Asda Supermarket Store, Watford, Community Rooms. Free to charities: Contact 01923 250380 Ext 222 or by email: community_watford@asda.co.uk 3 rooms to book between 9am and 10pm on a first come first serve basis.

TESCO COMMUNITY, Tesco Stores LTD, 239-241 Lower High street, Watford, Herts, WD17 2BD.

Contact: Jane Ross, Watford Community Champion, 07926 535317

E-mail: Watfordextra@communityattesco.co.uk

1 Room has 20 chairs (can fit in up to 30 non-seating), collapsible tables. Wheelchair accessible but check with Jane re: sizes. Free of charge. Free Tea/Coffee. Free Internet

Current list of booked sessions is available.

Herts Fire and Rescue Service (Fire Station), (Thorpe Community Room) St. Albans Road (nr ASDA) 530 St Albans Road, Garston, Watford, WD24 7RX

(Door entry key code 4567 soon to be changed and each user group will be notified)

The Fire Station seats 30. Contact: Joanne Hines 01923 672825. Only £5! Leaflet available

Lemarie Centre (next door) Opening times: 8.30am – 11.30pm

Westfield Community College, Tolpits Lane

Only have two large rooms, no other facilities, have to bring own equipment, drinks etc.

Cheslyn House and Gardens, Nascot Wood Rd - contact: Audrey Clark and Hayley Page 01923 278629 (Watford Council) during office hours.

They have 2 meeting rooms, either side of hall – 15 in the larger one and 10 in the smaller one. Cost is £20 per hour. Kitchen facilities available.

They have the chairs with the flap to write on (no good for us left-handers!). Parking only about 6/8 cars. This is strictly an educational centre, so more serious study groups only.

Cha Cha Café, 3 Cassiobury Park Avenue, WD18 7HY near Met Station

Quite a busy meeting place, particularly with mums and children, with room/s to hire during the day and evening. They cater for light lunches, which I can thoroughly recommend!

Contact no: 01923 247868 e-mail: chachacha@btconnect.com

Orbital Community Centre, Haines Way, Leavesden, WD25 7RU

Tel: 01923 894444. Email: orbital@oneymca.org.uk

Large main hall suitable for parties etc. 3 other rooms plus a kitchen that can be hired separately.

Cost: £7.10 per hour

Plenty of parking and all rooms are wheelchair accessible.

West Watford Community Assoc, 15 Harwoods Rd. 01923 235488 email: info@westwatford.org.uk

Downstairs Hall (has Whiteboard) with kitchen area; holds max of 40 people; one-off booking £11.50 per hour and £10 for a block booking of 10 sessions.

Also an upstairs class room holding 10 people; £6 for one-off booking and £5 for block booking of 10.

NB there is no parking on site and surrounding roads are severely limited for non-residents.