

Normandy Parish Council

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C-079 Warm Hubs

What is a 'Warm Hub'?

Every space can offer something different. Some may offer free food; pay-it-forward schemes, advice, somewhere to charge your phone or maybe just somewhere to be comfortable & warm with no judgement.

Why is this needed?

With the cost of living crisis, many of us are facing tough decisions. Some of us have moved to working from home following the pandemic and are facing a winter with increased energy bills. Others are facing even harder decisions about whether to heat or eat.

Are 'Warm Hubs' free?

The aim is for Warm Hubs to be free or offer low-cost options. It may be a community centre, church or library that you are free to visit. Or it could be a coffee shop where people are free to work for the price of a drink or even times of the week when you are able to stay with no obligation to pay/buy.

What support from SCC / GBC

This is currently unclear. The council have been invited to a discussion on Wednesday 9 November regarding Cost of Living provision, including current support, advice and guidance available to residents as the crisis continues to affect so many. We hope to learn more then.

Matters for consideration:

- (a) Would the Council like to encourage Warm Hubs within Normandy?
- (b) Would the Council like to encourage applications for assisting in funding warm hubs from the Community Grant pot?