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# Looking Forward!!!

- The Hall Management Committee anticipates getting back to a normal routine of Village Hall use at some point this year. Likely to be in stages and is beyond our pay grade to guess when things will happen.

Currently Catworth Village Hall is closed and will not re-open until we leave lockdown. When we do re-open we expect that at first Social Distancing will



be in place. This reduces the capacity of the Hall from 100 to 30 and requires use of hand sanitisers, additional cleaning measures, 2metre distancing and/or masks. To facilitate compliance with Covid guidance the folding panels for the Meeting Room and Main Hall will be permanently folded back.

The Hall will be available for hire provided hirers comply with all the Covid measures in force at the time. Refer Website.

# What does "Normal" look like?

Assuming a phased return to normal we anticipate capacity will be 30 initially. Once capacity is back to 100 we can review how the Pop-up-Pub might operate. The first Friday of every month from 5pm to 11pm. From time-to-

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time food offerings would be provided by others, Fish and Chips etc. As a "taster" there will be a take-away food van here on **5**<sup>th</sup> March. See "Friday" or check the Village Hall web site <u>www.catworthvillagehall.co.uk</u>

*Mondays*, CATS (Catworth Amateur Theatrical Society) rehearse their Productions in the Hall. The next production might be a pantomime before



Christmas, yet to be decided. There is also a **Sign Language Course** likely to start as soon as the Hall reopens. Check Facebook "Catworth and Surrounding Villages" page.

#### Tuesdays, Catworth in

Stitches aim to restart twice a month. A chance to bring your knitting, crochet, sewing, embroidery and spend an evening with friends. Experienced, just starting, or searching for inspiration. We would love to welcome new members when the Hall reopens. First and third Tuesdays of each month, 7.30-9.30 pm, session cost £2.50 per person. Please contact Jenny Pawling on 01832 710570 or jennypawling67@gmail.com or Pam Wardle on 01832 710324, pamwardle1@btinternet.com Three or four times a year there is a Village Lunch open to all, look out for further advertising.

*Wednesdays,* Coffee Mornings 10.30 – 12.30, all welcome to drop in. Parish Council 2nd Wednesday 7.30pm check noticeboard or <u>www.catworthparishcouncil.gov.uk</u> to see when these switch back to face-toface rather than Zoom. Games Club 1st & 3rd Wednesdays, keen and sociable

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adult board gamers, everything from Monopoly, Scrabble, Chess, Articulate to modern "gateway" strategy games Carcassonne, CodeNames, Pandemic, Ticket to Ride. 7:30 - 10:30pm Format is a couple of games with a break for drinks, snacks and a chat. Would love to welcome new members. Please contact Mike & Lesley Brazel on 01832 710824 or email lesleybrazel@hotmail.com.

*Thursdays,* Indoor Bowls club winter afternoons and summer evenings. Currently short of members due to house moves anyone interested in joining contact Marge Baker on 710145. Vinyl Club 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday 7,30pm records not clothing.

**Fridays**, a popular **Yoga** class at 10am. See website for details on how to enrol. First Friday is the **Pop-up-Pub** September to May in the Village Hall and June to August at the Playing Field. You will have noticed the flier from **Heartcibo** with their gourmet burgers, "light bites" and gluten free foods. View their popup bistro menu and pre-order at <u>www.heartcibo.com</u> for 5<sup>th</sup> March 5-9pm. Monthly from September through to June our **Cinema Club** host showings of popular films covering all genres, new releases as well as some classics.

**Saturdays,** The **Quilting group** meets on the third Saturday of each month 10.00am to 4.00pm for an enjoyable day sewing, with sufficient room to spread out and layer quilts. Ironing boards and cutting mats available. We look forward to resuming our face-to-face sessions

# "Normal" Fundraising Events

Once a year we put on a village banquet which alternates between a casual evening and a more formal evening. We have a reputation for hosting Murder Mystery Banquets with dodgy characters played by members of CATS. We have held Quiz Nights, Wine Tasting Evenings, Village Bake-Off, Christmas Catworth Village Hall registered Charity No. 260047

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Craft Fayre in conjunction with St Leonard's Patronal Festival in early November. CATS have their pantomime and are always looking for new talent on stage and behind. Contacts can be found on the Village Hall website. Thanks to Covid grant funding we are in a healthy financial position and will be able to weather the lockdowns and reduced income from Covid lockdowns. Once a quarter the Hall gives a free hire to a charity, one regular is Macmillan Coffee Morning, We are open to any further suggestions.

### **Private Hires**

Of course the hall is available for private functions, parties, wedding receptions, and wakes. Booking is explained on the website, if you don't have web access phone the contacts below. Once we're open we'll be happy to show you round and explain how the hall can be used to best effect.

## **New Ventures**

The Village Hall Management Committee are always willing to assist new initiatives as much as possible and to provide support where we can. See our website <u>www.catworthvilagehall.co.uk</u> for further information about current activities and hiring arrangements.

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