

## **TLP to close**

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### **Local charity to close after twenty five years of good work in Leyland**

The Trustees of the Leyland Project have sadly decided to close down the charity over the next 18 months after a number of unsuccessful grant applications and continuing difficulty in accessing new funding.

The Place community centre on Royal Avenue on the Wade Hall estate in Leyland will return to Progress Housing Group, who own the property, on Tuesday 31 July, 2018. Progress Housing Group are committed to working with the local community and will be holding some events over the summer to find out how people what the community centre to be used in the future.

The majority of the community groups who currently operate from the centre will remain open and continue to serve the community from the centre.

The Leyland Project was formed in 1992 as a partnership between Progress Housing Group (formerly New Progress Housing Association )

, The Leyland Baptist Church and national charity, Spurgeons Childcare. Over the last 25 years the Leyland Project has run the following activities for the local community:

- Drop-in youth clubs (for 11 to 19 year olds)
- Timeout pre-school groups
- Parent and toddlers group
- Family support, counselling and guidance
- Community food co-op offering fresh fruit and vegetable
- Dream scheme and Cool Kids groups (for 8 to 11 year olds)
- 'Off da Streets' holiday schemes (for 8-19 year olds)
- Sports, arts, drama and dance activities (for 8 to 19 year olds)
- Job clubs
- Homework clubs
- Community forum meetings
- Maths and English courses
- Parenting courses
- Young people Not in Education, Employment, or Training (NEET) skill development groups
- Residents groups
- Outward Bound Trust residentials for young people (8 to 19 year olds)
- Mosaic art therapy groups
- Lunch clubs

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The Trustees of the Leyland Project would like to thank all those staff and volunteers past and present - too many to mention by name, who over the years have provided over 200,000 hours of work to the communities of Wade Hall and Broadfield in Leyland.

Please join the Leyland Project on **Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> July from 11-3pm** for the Wade Hall Summer Fayre, taking place outside of the community centre, and help them celebrate 25 years of work within the local community.