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PRESS RELEASE

Corfe Mullen Youth Trust - Update on Youth Provision

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Corfe Mullen Town Council, act as the Sole Trustee of the Corfe Mullen Youth Trust Charity. The Trustee met on 22 January 2025 to review the future of youth provision in Corfe Mullen. After careful consideration, the Trustee has some important updates regarding the Youth Club.

Temporary Closure of Youth Club

The Trustee has made the difficult decision to temporarily close the Youth Club at the end of the Spring term. The last youth club session will be held on Friday 4 April 2025. This decision comes in response to staffing challenges, recruitment difficulties, and the desire to ensure that youth provision in Corfe Mullen continues to meet the highest standards moving forward.

Acknowledging the Team's Contributions

Before detailing the upcoming changes, the Trustee would like to take the opportunity to express their sincere gratitude to the current team of youth workers and staff. Their dedication and commitment to the young people of Corfe Mullen has had a positive impact on the community. The Trustee thanks them for their hard work.

Why is This Happening?

The Trustee has faced significant challenges in recruiting qualified youth workers to support the growing needs of the Youth Club. Despite the hard work of the current team and continued efforts to recruit new staff, the limited availability of qualified youth workers has led to the decision to temporarily pause the Youth provision. This pause will allow the Trustee to recruit a full-time Lead Youth Worker and ensure that the Youth Club can reopen with a fresh and dynamic approach that builds on the solid foundation created by the current staff.

What Will Happen Next?

- **Youth Club Closure:** The Youth Club sessions will cease after the last youth club night on Friday 4 April 2025, at the end of the Spring term.
- **Alternative Activities:** During the closure, the Trustee will be working to provide a reduced youth provision, including drop-in sessions at Corfe Mullen Village Hall and outreach activities through the Community Fit & Fun Project. More information on these interim activities will be shared soon.
- **Recruitment of Lead Youth Worker:** The Trustee is in the process of recruiting a new full-time Lead Youth Worker for the Youth Club. A job description and person specification

have been carefully developed to attract a high-calibre candidate, with the goal of relaunching the Youth Club in September 2025.

- **Future Relaunch:** The aim is to relaunch the Youth Club in September 2025 with an engaging program of activities and enhanced youth services under the leadership of a new Lead Youth Worker.

The Trustee understands the temporary closure of the Youth Club may cause disappointment and apologises for any inconvenience it may cause to young people and their families. However, the Trustee is confident that the temporary pause will provide the time to plan effectively and ensure a more sustainable, high-quality service in the future.

Looking Ahead

The Trustee is committed to providing the best possible youth provision in Corfe Mullen, and this pause will allow us to make the necessary improvements for long-term success. The Trustee greatly appreciates your understanding and continued support during this time of transition.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Town Council office using the contact details above. The Trustee will continue to provide updates on the progress of the relaunch and any interim activities.

Thank you to parents, guardians, and community members for their understanding and continued support.

Corfe Mullen Town Council
Sole Trustee of the Corfe Mullen Youth Trust Charity