

Northall Village Hall






South End Lane, Northall, Nr. Dunstable, Beds. LU6 2EX

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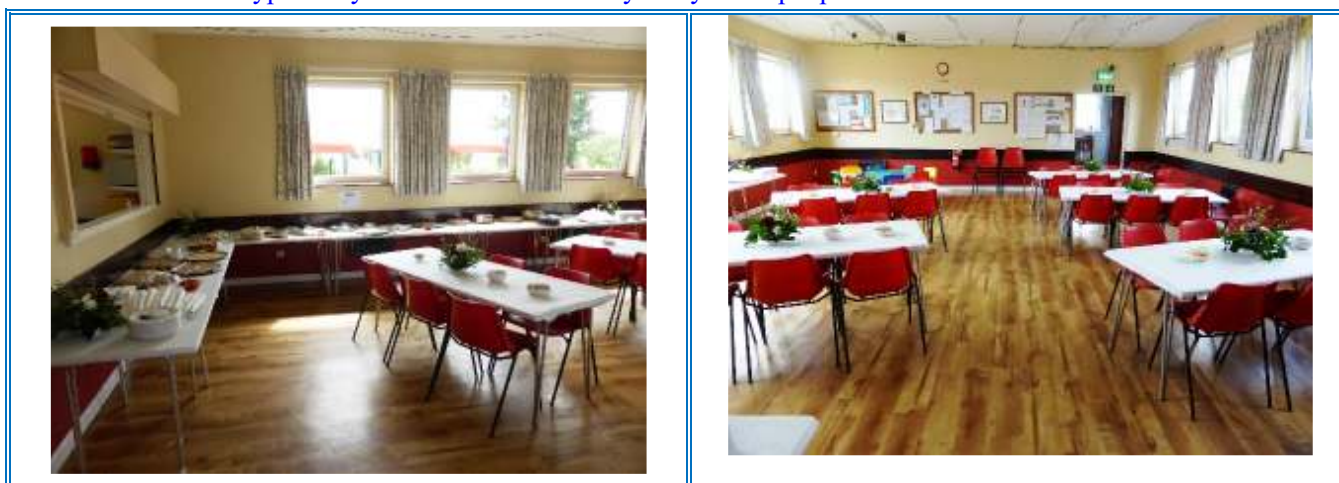
Why you should consider hiring Northall Village Hall (F.A.Qs)

Location	<p>Northall Village Hall (NVH) and Play Area are owned and operated by the Northall Village Trust NVT). The Hall is situated on the edge of Northall Village, which is on the B440 (previously A4146) between Leighton Buzzard and Edlesborough. It is surrounded by open fields, with stunning views of the Dunstable Downs, White Lion at Whipsnade, Ivinghoe Beacon and Edlesborough Church.</p>	
Size	<p>NVH is modern, clean, bright, well decorated and ideally suited for Family Parties and Recreational Groups for 15 to 45 people, although up to 60 people can be accommodated for sit-down functions.</p> <p>The actual size of the main Hall is 8.7m long x 7.3m wide x 3.0m high (28'6" x 24' x 10').</p> <p>Please note that the relatively low ceiling height precludes the use of <u>Bouncy Castles inside the Hall</u>. However, they can be placed on the lawned area immediately outside the kitchen. An external power point is located on the outside rear wall of the Hall.</p>	
Gated Car Park	<p>Extended in Nov '19 with major funding from Edlesborough Parish Council. Tarmac surface, lined, <u>2.5m wide</u> bays for 30 large cars (including 2 reserved for Disabled).</p> <p>Gates can be closed for safety, when children are playing in the Hall grounds.</p>	
Hall Grounds	<p>NVH is set in its own lawned grounds – ideal for children's parties when the weather is OK.</p> <p>Hirers of NVH have exclusive use of the Car Park and Hall Grounds for the duration of their hire.</p> <p>Hirers also have a gated direct access in daylight hours to the lovely Play Area.</p> <p>N.B. The adjacent Play Area is also open to the Public in daylight hours.</p>	
Hall	<p>The Hall Management Committee works hard, and takes a special pride, in providing one of the cleanest, most well equipped and best decorated halls available anywhere.</p> <p>The main Hall has lovely wood laminate flooring, and special non-slip floor coverings are in the Kitchen, Toilets and Storeroom.</p> <p>The Hall is ideal for keep fit classes, yoga, dancing, Pilates and family & children's parties etc.</p>	

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<p>Tables & Chairs</p> <p>Long: 72" x 30" Medium: 48" x 30" Short: 36" x 30"</p>	<p>The tables and chairs, which are located in the Storeroom, will accommodate up to the Hall's maximum of 60 adults. There are 9 long, 5 medium and 2 short tables to allow flexibility in setting out the Hall for parties, meetings, quiz nights etc.</p>		
<p>Children's Tables & Chairs</p>	<p>We have 4 colourful tables and 20 colourful chairs suitable for children up to 5 years of age.</p>		
	<p>We also have 2 playtime tables and 8 chairs suitable for children aged 6 – 8 years.</p>		
<p>Broadband</p>	<p>In October 2021 we invested in high speed broadband which is free for Hirers and their guests to use. Network and password details are on the NVHMC Notice Board in the Hall - located on the Hall wall next to the entrance door.</p>		

Typical layout of Hall for a Family Party of 50 people with a Buffet meal



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Disco Lights



'Mood'/Party Lighting



Children's Soft Play Equipment



Party Games Box
(props for about 25 games)

Children's entertainers can be expensive, so why not be different and organise a traditional children's party with lots of party games? It can be loads of fun!

Look at our website for our [free "Have a Games Party" Guide](#) to find out how to hold a games party. It has ideas for over 70 different party games, including ideas for younger and older





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	<p>children, and games suitable for indoors and for playing outside in the Hall Grounds</p> <p>Not all games need lots of preparation. Some only need some music or some old newspapers. However, we have a <u>Party Games Box</u> of “props” for some 25 games available for hire to help you make your party go with a swing!</p>	
<p>Kitchen</p> <p>The new, extended and totally refurbished Kitchen was funded through:</p> <p>WREN’s FCC Community Action Fund</p> <p>Aylesbury Vale Community Chest</p> <p>AVDC S106 Fund and NVT Funds.</p> <p><i>WREN is a not-for-profit business that awards grants for community, biodiversity and heritage projects from funds donated by FCC Environment through the Landfill Communities Fund</i></p>	<p>On 3rd September 2018 the extended and totally refurbished Kitchen was opened - making it probably the best village hall kitchen in Bucks, Beds & Herts!</p>	
		
		
	<p>Commercial Dishwasher & hand wash</p>	<p>View towards kitchen door - double Neff ovens, Microwave & Fridge Freezer</p>

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<p><i>Aylesbury Vale Community Chest, is a community grants scheme run jointly by Aylesbury Vale District Council & the Vale of Aylesbury Housing Trust</i></p>		
	<p>Burco auto fill Boiler, Warming Cupboard & spacious Servery</p>	<p>The master switch board to help make it as easy as possible for Kitchen users new to the Hall</p>
<p>Crockery & Cutlery</p>	<p>Modern, all matching, quality, white crockery and modern, all matching stainless steel cutlery. 2 options are available:</p>	
	<p>Either: 60 sets of dinner & side plates, bowls, cups, saucers; glasses; knives, forks, dessert spoons, dessert forks & tea spoons, together with some sugar bowls & milk jugs and 4 large serving spoons.</p>	<p>Or: For serving coffee/tea/cakes for 20 (mugs, side plates & tea spoons; together with a few serving plates, sugar bowls & milk jugs).</p>
<p>Toilets</p>	<p>The toilets have been completely re-modelled and refurbished and in doing so we managed to create sufficient space for a wheel-chair accessible toilet and baby changing facilities. The toilets are kept in a pristine condition. NVT believes that the toilets are now among the best available in any village hall.</p>	
 <p>Wheel Chair Accessible Toilet</p>	 <p>Baby Changing Facilities</p>	 <p>The Ladies Toilets are especially bright and well equipped</p>

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<p>Heating (& Cooling) the Hall (New air sourced heat pump)</p>	<p>In September 2020 we invested in an air sourced heat pump.</p> <p>It uses about 50% of the electricity used by our old convector heaters and is therefore much more environmentally friendly. It is also quieter.</p> <p>The Hall temperatures are more controllable and, one further benefit is that the heat pump is also capable of going into a reverse cycle to cool the Hall when we next have a hot summer!</p> <p>We have endeavoured to make the operation of the heat pump as simple as possible.</p>	 
<p>Other energy saving measures taken</p>	<p>Electricity is still our single biggest cost in running NVH.</p> <p>We have taken all possible action to try and minimise the use of electricity – a large solar panel installation in August 2015; new replacement energy efficient windows; negotiating new supply contracts; additional loft insulation; LED and other low energy lighting</p> <p><u>And</u> asking all Hall Users not to waste electricity.</p>	

<p>Northall Village Hall Play Area</p>	<p>After several years of planning and fund raising, NVT finally achieved one of its key goals in the Summer of 2008 – to provide Northall Village with its first play area (Phase 1 – for children 2 – 8 years of age).</p> <p>The Play Area is immediately adjacent to Northall Village Hall, but is set in its own, separate grounds, to which the public have direct access in daylight hours.</p> <p>Hirers of NVH may also use the Play Area, and can access it directly from a special gate in the Hall Grounds. When the weather is good, the Play Area has proved very popular with children’s and family parties.</p> <p>In October 2011 we opened Phase 2 – mainly for children 8 – 14 years of age:</p>	
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 <p align="center">Willow Dome</p>	 <p align="center">Pendulum Swing</p>	 <p align="center">G Force Roundabout</p>
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Multiplay



Theta Adventure & Exercise Trail



Double Swing-Flat & Cradle Safety seats

Our well-kept and exciting Play Area makes Northall Village Hall very attractive for children's and family parties!

Cost & Value:

Northall Village Hall probably offers the best village hall (and Play Area!), anywhere in Bucks, Beds & Herts. – and at only **£14.00 per hour**, certainly the best in terms of value for money!

Given the overall total cost of organising a party, this is a relatively small amount to help make your party successful!

Local Residents' Rate

NVT is most grateful for a generous annual donation from Edlesborough Parish Council to help us with the running costs of the Hall and the Play Area. Accordingly, this enables us to offer a special, reduced hourly rate of **£8.00 per hour for our local residents**.

This applies to residents of **Northall, Edlesborough, Dagnall & Eaton Bray**.

How does NVT keep the hire rates so low?

1. NVT works hard to keep the Hire Charges as low as possible by doing a great deal of the work itself (all on a voluntary basis), by using a minimum amount of paid caretaking help, by very strict control of all costs and by encouraging all Hirers to be as energy efficient as possible with the electricity.
2. Although the Hall & Grounds are checked after each hiring, no cleaning is carried out by NVT. Accordingly, all Hirers sign the following Undertaking as a condition for hiring the Hall:
"I further agree to remove all rubbish and to leave the Hall, car park and grounds in a clean and fit condition to the satisfaction of the next user & to the Hall Management Committee, and that any NVT labour used for any required cleaning of the Hall, car park and grounds, or for the removal of rubbish on my behalf, will be charged to me at £16.00 per cleaner hour".
3. The NVT Bookings Secretary is very careful to only accept bookings from Hirers who will take great care of the Hall, be economical with the electricity and who will also take pride in leaving the Hall in a pristine condition.
4. Most of our lettings are to Regular Users, people who have previously hired NVH, people who have attended a function there, or people who know someone who has. Consequently, NVH is very popular, enjoys a very high level of lettings and a good recovery of our fixed overhead costs.

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