

## Warrington Community Centre given new lease of life

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Penketh Community Centre in Warrington has been given a new lease of life, after Facilities Management specialists Equans partnered with Warrington Borough Council to transform the space.

The Centre is a hive of local activity, delivering a broad programme of events and activities and providing a safe space for people of all ages. The centre is an integral part of the community, and through Equans' support it is now open for use.

**Equans** has a Facilities Management partnership with Warrington Borough Council, and has given a commitment to delivering 182 hours of volunteering per contract year. As a responsible business, Equans encourages the supply chain to embrace Social Value activity and it was through this strong commitment that supply chain partners ADF Construction and Yesss Electrical also pledged their support to the project.

Across one week, 15 Equans volunteers were joined by supply chain partners and quickly began the works throughout the Community Centre hall, undertaking plaster repairs, painting, cleaning, fitting new electrics and much more. Having completed 242 hours of volunteering activity with £1900 also donated towards materials, the end product is a revitalised space that has been restored to its former glory.

Kris Heap, Operations Manager at Equans, said: "It's great to see Penketh Community Centre being shown the love it deserves, and Equans is delighted to have been a part of this regeneration. Penketh is a vital resource for the people of Warrington, and it's great to see it open its doors once again."

Barbara, Community Centre Health and Wellbeing Manager at WBC, said: "I want to extend huge thanks to Equans for the remarkable effort of everybody to transform Penketh Community Centre. The community centres are busy and meet the health, wellbeing and social needs of a wide range of our communities

including some of our most vulnerable residents. They will be delighted by when they next attend our sessions at Penketh.”