



Reg. Charity Number: 1151111

# The Chill Out Bus

"This bus is so nice I want to live on it."



"I WANT THE BUS TO BE HERE FOREVER".

"I'm so glad I came to the fun bus today".

Our mobile facility, "The Chill Out Bus" is also available to hire. It can be driven to your chosen location, and is equipped with indoor and outdoor lighting, heating, a wi-fi hotspot, and power for small appliances and laptops, meaning it can be used throughout the year for a wide variety of purposes.

Please contact us to start a discussion about how we can work with you to help meet local needs, and to hire our services.

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## HCYC ethos

We work with children and young people in a way that includes their family, wider relations and takes account of the conditions in which they live.

We make sure our work is needed and we work with other organisations when that makes it better.

We make sure that our staff have the right training and support to do their jobs well and to enjoy working for HCYC.

We value and include the views of children and young people in all our work

We work as much as possible in a way that doesn't harm the environment.

We want all our projects and services to be of the highest quality.

We think it is important to treat everyone fairly and show others that we do so in all our work.

We are an independent charity, and rely on grant funding, fees for services commissioned, and donations to keep our projects running.

To find out more or to donate to us please visit: [www.localgiving.org.uk/hcyg](http://www.localgiving.org.uk/hcyg)

You can support us through Harborough Lotto – visit [www.harboroughlotto.co.uk](http://www.harboroughlotto.co.uk) and search HCYC or scan the code



## Bringing play and youth work services across Harborough District

HCYC is an independent charity established in 2012 to focus specifically on the needs of children, young people and their carers in the Harborough District and the immediate surrounding area, through the development of projects and service responses. We particularly focus on those experiencing disadvantage through isolation, or other vulnerabilities.

We help local children and young people to feel safe and supported, happy and confident, to build strong relationships, be resilient to adversity, and able to fulfil their potential.

We work with others to create and sustain vibrant and connected local communities, helping to bridge intergenerational gaps, and to shape investments to improve the wellbeing of local children and young people.



- We deliver play and youth work activity sessions across Harborough District using “The Chill Out Bus” (our mobile facility) or local community venues.
- We can deliver one-off/short pieces of work, or longer-term regular commitments to suit your needs, preferences and budget, including consultations with local children and young people to help plan future developments, or evaluate existing provision.
- Our sessions deliver improvements for children, young people and the communities in which they live by promoting positive relationships between peers and adults, improving emotional wellbeing and resilience, increasing pride in identity, and increasing skills for life, health and vocations.
- We achieve this through creative delivery of a range of fun and engaging activities suitable to the age and needs of those attending, and provided by a team of experienced and skilled play and youth workers. We can also support local volunteers to assist.
- We recruit, train and support our team to ensure the highest standards of engagement and the most positive outcomes. Our staff have experience of supporting some of the most vulnerable, disadvantaged and isolated children and young people in the area.
- We have a track record of working in partnership with Parish Councils, schools, the District Council and other organisations to create bespoke responses to local needs. We use our expertise in charitable fundraising to work alongside partners to help find the resources and finances needed to meet gaps in support for local children and young people.



*“If the youth club didn’t exist I would cry of boredom. The creative activities give me peace and block out negativity”.*



*“The friendship and bonds that have grown during our time here are beyond amazing. Even though it is only an hour, it really becomes some of the best days. The youth club gives me something to look forward to on the weekdays”.*

*“The creative activities help me, for example the stress balls help me feel less stressed. It’s helped me interact with people I wouldn’t normally meet, and I have come out of my shell”.*

*“I enjoyed all the things we did, especially the smoothies”.*

**“THE HEALTHY EATING SESSION TAUGHT ME NOT TO EAT REALLY SWEET STUFF”.**

*“It is an opportunity for young people to make friends and communicate with others”.*



*“We did really good team-work and I like the responsibility”.*



*“From the activities that we do, to the people who come and lead, it really allows me to grow in my social life, meet new people and laugh, smile and enjoy every moment”.*