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Youth Groups 
at The Chellington Centre

Expand Horizons

‘A **unique** and **memorable**
residential experience’

 **the Chellington
Centre**



A LITTLE BIT ABOUT US

The Chellington Centre is an award winning, eco-friendly, residential youth centre - an inspirational space where young people can share and explore without the usual distractions and labels, encouraging teamwork, reflection and personal development.

Set in a spectacular location, with stunning views across the Great Ouse valley, Chellington is only 30 minutes from the M1 and A1 motorways, but a world apart.

A popular choice for youth groups looking for a unique and memorable residential experience, with many returning year after year.



Chellington is uniquely able to create a magical reality, a space unto itself, the world as it should be. Having experienced it, when they return home, the young people can remember what they built for themselves at Chellington, and what can be built in their own community too."

Advocacy Academy

FLEXIBLE, ACCESSIBLE, AFFORDABLE!

66

Flexible accommodation
for up to 66

Exclusive use of
the entire site

Fully equipped kitchen

Large hall plus two
multi-use rooms

Planning support from
our on-site team

36

Modern
eco-friendly
bunkrooms
for 36

Barbeque, campfire,
gardens & games field

Comprehensive
risk assessments

30

On-site
camping
for 30

Check our live diary for availability at www.chellington.org/booking

Bursary Fund

“We believe that every young person should have the opportunity to take part in a residential experience. Our Bursary Fund exists to support this belief, offering financial support to youth groups who find funding for a residential hard to access.”

Trustees of The Chellington Centre Charity



TAILOR YOUR PROGRAMME

Enjoy the freedom to design and deliver your own residential experience with sole-use of the entire site. Choose from a wide range of on-site activities to enjoy during your stay.

No Cost / Low Cost Activities



Games Pack

A whole cupboard of fun: rounders, tag rugby, footballs, badminton, tug of war, team parachutes, giant Jenga, board games etc.



Soft Archery

Introduce young people to archery in a fun and safe way - 6 sets available to book for self-delivery.



Media Pack

Everything you need to play movies, show a presentation, have a karaoke night and play some music.



Tai Chi

Start or end the day with Tai Chi led by a qualified instructor.



Orienteering

A complete introductory orienteering activity package for groups.



Chellington Quiz

Free educational resource for exploring the site inside and out.



Harrod-Odell Country Park

With spectacular views from the Centre, enjoy the walk to this Green Flag water park with 144 acres of beauty and tranquillity.

Partnered Activities



Forest School

Choose from a variety of forest skills, shelter building, fire lighting, wood craft, learning about local trees and wildlife surrounding the centre.



Archery

A fun and educational activity led by an qualified coach - a great way to exercise, focus and build confidence.



Boot Camp

Instructor led outdoor team activities including, boxing, tug-of-war, team activities and more.



Animal Encounters

Enjoy a fantastic collection of friendly, exotic and companion animals guided by experienced animal handlers.



Mini Map Makers

Learn all about maps with these inspiring workshops run by a professional cartographer.



Art Workshops

Options include printing, sculpture, painting, mask making, collage, clay modelling, sgraffito, wax/ink and more.

- 1 Main Hall
- 2 Winnie Hall Room
- 3 Ibbett Room
- 4 Herald Building
- 5 BBQ & Camp Fire
- 6 Social Hub / Picnic Area
- 7 Red Kite Camping
- 8 Games Field / Camping
- 9 Coach / Car Park



See www.chellington.org/activities for a full list of activities available at the Centre and further afield or call us on 01234 720726 to discuss.

ENJOY TIME IN & OUTDOORS

All our amazing spaces, both inside the main building and in the surrounding area, have been designed with maximum flexibility in mind for games, educational activities or for the young people to simply enjoy their freedom.

The main hall provides a wonderful focal point for your group. The dramatic, high timbered ceiling creates great acoustics for musical events and the steps to the chancel form a natural stage.

For many young people, time around the campfire and BBQ can be the highlight of their trip. It's time to talk, share life experiences and enjoy the moment. The adjacent games field with no public access is a stunning setting for a multitude of activities as well as overflow camping for larger youth groups.





BREAKOUT

Two more great activity spaces

With its spectacular semi-circular wall of windows, the inspiring Ibbett Room brings 180° of sky and countryside into the Centre and offers stunning panoramic views over the Ouse Valley and lakes in the country park below.

Everyone loves spending time in the Winne Hall Room - a great space for study, drama, music, teaching, presentations, buffet set-up at meal times, playing board games or just chatting and chilling. This room can also be used as a bedroom for 6 people.





EATING

Our fully equipped modern kitchen has everything you need for self-catering for up to 66. The hatch to the main hall makes it easy for children to help.

Fully equipped kitchen
+
Barbeque
+
Campfire

Experience cooking in the great outdoors on our BBQ grills and eating around our campfire whilst enjoying the view and beautiful sunsets.



SLEEPING

We welcome groups of all sizes. Big or small, each group enjoys sole use of the entire site. Up to 36 can sleep in our bunkrooms with the option to add a further 30 camping.

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Flexible accommodation for up to 66

There are 5 separate shower cubicles and 7 toilets in the main building plus the option to use a further 4 shower cubicles and toilets in the Herald Building. Both buildings have a separate, fully accessible toilet/shower room.



OUR COMMITMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENT

This is an ancient site. Communities have existed in harmony here since the bronze age with local sheep farming, leatherwork, lacework and reed-weaving - all important medieval industries. As custodians, we have a duty to share knowledge, engage and lead in caring for our environment. This is particularly important to us as we work with young people whose future will be impacted by how we operate.

We are proud to have achieved Silver Award certification from Green Tourism in recognition of our extensive work in developing a

sustainable, biodiverse Centre in direct response to our commitment to young people, our community and the planet.



Green Education

Our ongoing initiatives include: nature walks, nature identification boards, re-wilding activity (tree and hedgerow planting, wildflower bridging), socio-historical quizzes, binocular bird-spotting, star-gazing, eco-signage tips and on-site forest school activities.



Energy Use

Our electricity source is 100% renewable energy (hydro and wind). We have an efficient eco-air-source system for all our (underfloor) heating and hot water needs. Double glazed windows and insulation minimise heat loss, making it comfortable and sustainable for year-round accommodation.



Lighting

80% of our lighting is now flexibly controlled, low consumption LED.



Local Food Sourcing

We encourage you to support our village shop and local farms if you can. They will deliver boxes of fresh groceries with only a few days' notice.



Drinking Water

Our Bedfordshire water is lovely from the tap.



Recycling & Waste

We have ongoing initiatives to source ecological and recycled products. We have drastically reduced the amount of land-fill waste and recycling we produce and are committed to working with you and our local partners to do more.



Single-Use

We strongly discourage the use of single-use cutlery, plates, bowls, cups or plastic water bottles.





To make a booking, go to the live diary on our website at:
www.chellington.org/booking

If you would like to find out more about residential or day trip experiences at Chellington, please call us. We would love to hear from you.

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The Chellington Centre is run by a small independent charity with a mission to provide an inspirational and rural setting for young people to develop their personal potential.

We would like to sincerely thank all our friends, visitors, neighbours, volunteers (young & old), trustees, staff, donors and patrons. Thanks to you all, the Chellington Centre can continue to thrive, supporting young people and their communities.

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