

The Chellington Centre welcomes a wide range of groups, with a particular focus on schools and youth organisations. We are committed to being as open and accessible to all visitors so that as many people as possible can enjoy the experience. We hope the following information helps you plan your visit.

Getting to The Chellington Centre

The Centre can be accessed from the village bus stop by wheelchair via the Felmersham Road entrance.

Access to the Centre itself is via a long single-tracked tarmac driveway with a gentle 2% incline from the single-track tarmacked road. This route is suitable for all vehicles, including tripe-axle coaches, but is not suitable for articulated vehicles.

Access to Main Building & Parking



A clearly signposted accessible parking space is located directly in front of the main building entrance, providing level tarmac access to the front door approximately 6 metres away.

If additional accessible access is needed, drivers should drop passengers at the main entrance before parking in the main car park, so that clear access for emergency vehicles to the building is maintained at all times.

Accessible parking for the Herald Building and Red Kite Camping is situated at the lower end of the gravel car park, immediately adjacent to the Herald Building.

Emergency Procedures

Group Leaders must ensure there is [a Personal Emergency Evacuation Plan](#) (PEEP) in place for any vulnerable adults or children requiring assistance in the event of an emergency.

Group Leaders should note the following:

- The exit from the Ibbett Room has two, shallow steps leading down to a firm gravel path. Although the doorway is wide enough for wheelchair access, the Group Leader should plan an appropriate evacuation route in advance – such as using the nearby garden exit ramp – and ensure the individual is supported by a buddy.
- The Sparrowhawk bedroom, all shower/toilet areas in the Main Building and the wash rooms in the Herald Building Washrooms are fitted with light beacons and sounders that activate during an emergency alarm.
- The Winnie Hall room is accessed from the main hall up two circular Dais steps. Please notify staff on arrival if a ramp is required; note that the ramp does not have stabilising arms.

If you would like further information about accessibility at The Chellington Centre or wish to arrange a visit to look around, we would be very happy to assist.

Please call us on 01234 720726

Inside the Main Building

Accessibility at The Chellington Centre is good. Facilities support wheelchair users, people who are blind or partially sighted, those who are hard of hearing, and individuals with limited mobility.

- All areas are located on the ground floor.
- Both the main and garden exits have wide, split doors suitable for wheelchair access.
- The kitchen is wheelchair accessible; however, it does not include low-level work surfaces, and some storage cupboards are positioned at height.
- All bunkrooms have wide entrance doors and flexible sleeping layouts, allowing single occupancy for a wheelchair user with adequate space to manoeuvre beside the bed. Of the sixteen low-level foldaway bunks, fourteen have foldaway upper bunks (accessed by rubber footed ladders). All bunks include partial side rails and bed lights as standard, and all rooms are fitted with Braille signage.
- An accessible shower/toilet is located within the Main Building. It is clearly signposted and accessed via a wide outward-opening door onto an anti-slip stone-tiled floor. The room is well-lit, with the sink, mirror, controls, grab handles and automatic hand dryer positioned at appropriate low level. The shower includes a curtain, a wall-mounted fold-down seat for easy wheelchair transfer, adjustable temperature control, and a pull-cord alarm. LED emergency lights activate if mains lighting fails.

Herald Building Accessible Washroom

There is a second accessible shower/toilet in the Herald Building, accessed via a wide outward-opening door onto an anti-slip floor. The room is well-lit, with the sink, controls, grab handles and automatic hand dryer positioned at appropriate low level.

The shower includes a curtain, a wall-mounted fold-down seat, adjustable temperature control, and a pull-cord alarm. LED emergency lights activate if mains lighting fails.

