




## Northall Village Hall






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

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New Kitchen Edition

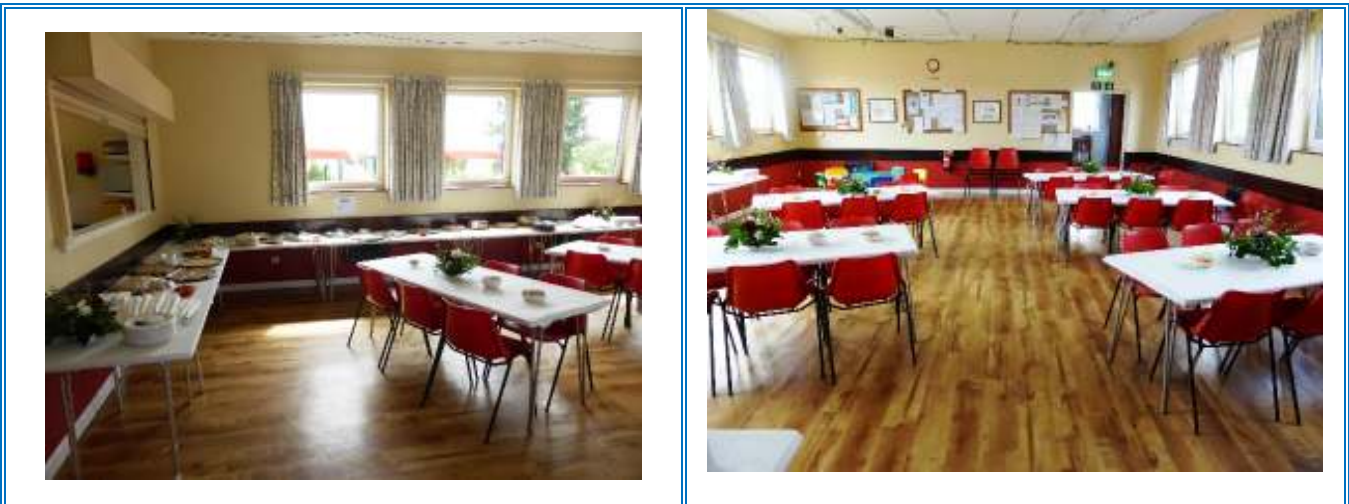
# Why you should consider hiring Northall Village Hall (F.A.Qs)

<b>Location</b>	<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>	
<b>Size</b>	<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</u>. However, they can be placed on the lawned area immediately outside the kitchen where a power point is accessible through a window.</p>	
<b>Gated Car Park</b>	<p>Tarmac surface and lined bays for 21 cars (including 2 reserved for Disabled).</p> <p>Gates can be closed for safety, when children are playing in the Hall grounds.</p>	
<b>Hall Grounds</b>	<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 to the lovely Play Area.</p> <p><b>N.B.</b> The adjacent Play Area is also open to the Public in daylight hours.</p>	
<b>Hall</b>	<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 &amp; children's parties etc.</p>	

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<p><b>Tables &amp; Chairs</b></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 people. There are <b>9</b> long, <b>5</b> medium and <b>2</b> short tables to allow flexibility in setting out the Hall for parties, meetings, quiz nights etc.</p>		
<p><b>Children's Tables &amp; Chairs</b></p>	<p>In 2009 NVT was most grateful to Aylesbury Vale District Council &amp; The Vale of Aylesbury Housing Trust 'Community Chest' for providing a grant of £700 towards the cost of these colourful 4 tables, storage trolley and 20 chairs, which are suitable for children up to 6/7 years of age.</p>		
	<p>In 2014, NVT received a grant from Aylesbury Vale Community Chest, a community grants scheme run jointly by Aylesbury Vale District Council &amp; the Vale of Aylesbury Housing Trust. They provided a grant of £1,000 towards the cost of 2 'playtime' tables, and 8 chairs, which are suitable for children up to 8 years of age - and the <b>Children's Soft Play Equipment</b> and 8 floor mats below.</p>		

**Typical layout of Hall for a Family Party of 50 people with 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!

Have a look at 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 children, and games suitable for indoors and for









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	<p>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 Party Games Box of “props” for some 25 games available for hire to help you make your party go with a swing!</p>	
<p><b>Kitchen</b></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 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018 the extended and totally refurbished Kitchen was opened - making it probably the best village hall kitchen in Bucks, Beds &amp; Herts!</p>	
		
	<p><b>View through servery from hall - double Neff Ovens &amp; Neff Induction Hob</b></p>	<p><b>View through rear window of Kitchen</b></p>
		
	<p><b>Commercial Dishwasher &amp; hand wash</b></p>	<p><b>View towards kitchen door - double Neff ovens, Microwave &amp; Fridge Freezer</b></p>

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<p><i>Aylesbury Vale Community Chest, is a community grants scheme run jointly by Aylesbury Vale District Council &amp; the Vale of Aylesbury Housing Trust</i></p>		
	<p><b>Burco auto boiler, Warming Cupboard &amp; spacious Servery</b></p>	<p><b>The master switch board to help make it as easy as possible for Kitchen users new to the Hall</b></p>
<p><b>Crockery &amp; Cutlery</b></p>	<p>Modern, all matching, quality, white crockery and modern, all matching stainless steel cutlery. 2 options are available:</p>	
	<p><b>Either:</b> 60 sets of dinner &amp; side plates, bowls, cups, saucers; glasses; knives, forks, dessert spoons, dessert forks &amp; tea spoons, together with some sugar bowls &amp; milk jugs and 4 large serving spoons.</p>	<p><b>Or:</b> For serving coffee/tea/cakes for 20 (mugs, side plates &amp; tea spoons; together with a few serving plates, sugar bowls &amp; milk jugs).</p>
<p><b>Toilets</b></p>	<p>In January 2012 NVT completely re-modelled and refurbished the toilets and in doing so managed to create sufficient space for a wheel chair accessible toilet and baby changing facilities. The toilets are kept in pristine condition. NVT believes that the toilets are now among the best available in any village hall.</p>	
 <p><b>Wheel Chair Accessible Toilet</b></p>	 <p><b>Baby Changing Facilities</b></p>	 <p><b>The Ladies Toilets are especially bright and well equipped</b></p>

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**Northall Village Hall Play Area**

After several years of planning and fund raising, NVT finally achieved one of its key goals in the Summer of 2008 – to provide Northall with its first play area (Phase 1 – for children 3 – 8 years of age).

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.

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.



1<sup>st</sup> October 2011

John Bercow (our MP & Speaker of the House of Commons), officially opened Phase 2 – mainly for children 8 – 14 years of age:



**Pendulum Swing**



**G Force Roundabout**



**Phase 1**



**Theta Adventure & Exercise Trail**



**Double Swing-Flat & Cradle Safety seats**

**Our extended, exciting Play Area makes Northall Village Hall very attractive for children’s and family parties!**

Northall Village Hall Play Area - Phase 2 was funded through the Community Spaces programme, WREN (Waste Recycling and Environmental Ltd), AVDC S106 Fund and NVT Funds. Community Spaces is part of the Big Lottery Fund’s Changing Spaces Initiative.

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### Cost & Value:

Northall Village Hall probably offers the best village hall (and Play Area!), anywhere in Bucks, Beds & Herts. – and at only **£12.00 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 for the Hall and for the Play Area. Accordingly, this enables us to offer a special, reduced hourly rate of **£7.00 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. 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 £15.00 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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