## WILLAND HEALTH AND COMMUNITY CENTRE

## Report for Parish meeting 13<sup>th</sup> March 2025

The last year has been a very busy one not without its challenges. The centre is becoming more widely known and usage is increasing. We were sorry to lose Annie Hooper as a Trustee and were saddened by the death of one of our founder members Tony Mander.

We have employed a cleaner and are trialling Wi-Fi. Blinds have been fitted in the downstairs room which gives privacy for meetings and groups including those sessions that use projectors.

The centre is becoming busier with regular bookings for fitness groups such as Pilates and Yoga as well as the local U3A groups and there is a successful Craft Group on a Wednesday Evening

Tea and chat sessions are held twice monthly and book swap sessions twice monthly one in an evening for those who work during the day. We have attendance from ECOE Advice, the local non-profit energy advice organisation quarterly at the Tea and Chat Sessions which anyone is welcome to make use of.

We held a Country Music disco which was good fun and have to thank the Cow Girl Twisters for their input on the night showing us how it was done and encouraging people onto the dance floor.

We held a Christmas table decoration workshop which was very successful and enjoyed by all who attended.

Age Uk did a talk and presentation on preventing yourself from being scammed which was very interesting and well attended.

A Men's Mental Health Group is in the early stages of development.

We had our first board games morning and are hoping to make it a regular event and have also had some bookings for family parties and for training sessions by a local employer.

We are really pleased with the way the centre is developing and in order to develop further we are looking to increase our volunteer pool including both new Trustees in particular a Secretary as our current Secretary agreed to cover on a temporary basis and those willing to help with developing new activities.