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BARTON HILL SETTLEMENT

Provides services, facilities and community development to the communities of Barton Hill and surrounding areas of east Bristol. The Settlement's departments are: (1) THE WORKSHOP: adult education, including IT open access facilities; (2) THE FAMILY PLAYCENTRE: services for children and families; (3) THE CAAAD PROJECT: services around problematic drug and alcohol use; (4) THE PEOPLE'S HIVE: community action, volunteering and Timebank Project; (5) CENTRAL SERVICES: administration, ICT, finance, site maintenance, room hire. The Settlement benefits the communities of Barton Hill and surrounding areas of East Bristol. Services and facilities are available to all • Contact: Central Services Manager, 43 Ducie Rd, Barton Hill, Bristol BS5 0AX. Tel: 0117 955 6971 email: admin@bartonhillsettlement.org.uk web: www.bartonhillsettlement.org.uk
A Community Anchor

EASTON COMMUNITY CHILDREN'S CENTRE

See full listing under Kids & Young People

HARTCLIFFE & WITHYWOOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP (HWCP)

HWCP is a community-led regeneration partnership established in 1998. HWCP manages @symes, a community resource centre with meeting and interview rooms for hire, creche, office space, ICT access and city council library. @symes is a fully accessible 'green' building. HWCP also runs the CATT community transport service and is the neighbourhood management delivery agent for the area. They support local people to get involved in what's happening in the area, giving them a voice and working together with local agencies and organisations, with the aim of making Hartcliffe and Withywood a better place in which to live and work • Contact: Stephen Hewitt, @symes Community Building, Peterson Ave, Hartcliffe, Bristol BS13 0BE. Tel: 0117 903 8044 email: info@hwcp.org.uk web: www.hwcp.org.uk and www.symes.cc
A Development Trust

The Greenway Centre Southmead Development Trust

• Now in its 12th year, Southmead Development Trust is continuing to move forward. Run by a board of locally elected residents with two local councillors (having previously partly depended on core grant funding), the Trust is now self-sufficient, generating money from traded income.

In 2006, the Trust reset its longer-term strategy, which is centred on the vision 'to be regarded and valued as the leading catalyst for improving and enhancing opportunities within the local community', as well as agreeing to work in the context of seven Strategic Functions in order to start to turn the vision into reality.

The Trust now boasts a broad range of services, including:

- Control of the Greenway Centre site, a former secondary school, through a 125-year lease from Bristol City Council (asset transfer basis).

- A Training Centre offering computer courses, business courses and skills for life in partnership with Learndirect.
- A variety of sports and leisure activities, including sports pitches, a hall, gymnasium, weights room, snooker and pool tables.
- Twenty managed workspace units.
- Ten managed workspace units 'free' to new or developing enterprises within the northern-



criscent area of Bristol.

- Three 'One Stop Advice Shops' (Southmead, Lockleaze and Lawrence Weston).
- A community hall, which is host to events ranging from wrestling and tea dances to community plays and business conferences.
- Meeting rooms.
- Outdoor space and a picnic area. Current capital developments at the Trust include (under construction and due for completion by spring 2008):
- The £1.8m development of the Greenway Centre site. Following the Trust's seven-month feasibility study into the development of the Greenway Centre site, the Trust is currently taking forward the development of the main building. This will include a new entrance, installation of a kitchen/cafe, additional business units, social

room, play scheme area, new changing accommodation, fitness suite and modernisation of the main hall in order to expand the range of functions and events that can be accommodated.

- The building of a new £2m health centre on site. A local GP practice is planning to build a new health centre, with support from the local PCT. It's anticipated that this will significantly increase the number of people visiting the site and using Trust services. The plan is for close co-operation between the Trust and the health centre.

Ffi: Contact Stephen Haddow, The Greenway Centre, Doncaster Rd, Southmead, Bristol BS10 5PY. Tel: 0117 950 3335, email: southmead@southmead.org web: www.southmead.org

HARTCLIFFE AND WITHYWOOD VENTURES

Offers free training to people in south Bristol in IT, administration, retail and warehousing. They have facilities at the Gatehouse Centre for childcare, conferencing and meeting, a cafe and workspace for rent. Free parking and excellent disabled access • Contact: Pat Mundy, The Gatehouse Centre, Hareclive Rd, Withywood, Bristol BS13 9JN. Tel: 0117 978 1708 email: patmhvw@yahoo.co.uk web: www.hartwood.org.uk
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HOTWELLS & CLIFTONWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Carry out projects in line with their aim to make Hotwells and Cliftonwood a great place to live and work. There's a youth club and youth theatre. They work with the community on sustainable

environment issues and they're working towards achieving Development Trust status • Contact: Brenda McLennan, 3 Charles Place, Bristol BS8 4QW. Tel: 0117 929 1883 email: admin@hotwellscliftonwood.org.uk web: www.hotwellscliftonwood.org.uk
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KUUMBA (ARTS AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES) LTD

See full listing under Art & Design

THE LANGLEY CENTRE

A purpose-built venue to provide an accessible, flexible training and meeting space. With a wide range of training equipment and a capacity of up to 30 people, the venue also benefits from a large secluded patio area and is wheelchair-accessible. It can be hired at competitive rates (which include refreshments,

equipment use and flip-chart paper) • Contact: Kerry Haskins, North Bristol Advice Centre, 2 Gainsborough Square, Lockleaze, Bristol BS7 9XA. Tel: 0117 952 7686 email: team@northbristoladvice.org.uk web: www.northbristoladvice.org.uk
A Social Enterprise

LOCKLEAZE NEIGHBOURHOOD TRUST

Runs the Cameron Centre, a fully accessible community centre available for hire, and the Blake Centre, which benefits local groups and the community of Lockleaze. Provides room hire and information. Acts as an umbrella organisation for local groups, with an elderly people's group, women's group, youth group, after-school club and holiday play scheme • Contact: Richard Reddrop, The Cameron Centre, Cameron Walk,



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Lockleaze, Bristol BS7 9XB.
Tel: 0117 914 1129 email: richard@lockleazeneighbourhoodtrust.co.uk
web: www.lockleazeneighbourhoodtrust.co.uk

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MALCOLM X CENTRE

Offers two function halls for hire to the community for christenings, weddings, parties, funerals, independent promotions, community events and meetings. The Malcolm X Hall caters for 600 people and the Harambe Hall for 200. Bars also available. IT facilities with beginners' courses are now running. The Malcolm X Centre is upgrading current

facilities and would welcome any suggestions and proposals for new activities • Contact: Sandra Douglas, 141 City Rd, St Pauls, Bristol BS2 8YH.
Tel: 0117 955 4497
email: sandra@malcolmx.org.uk

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THE MEDE COMMUNITY & LEARNING CENTRE

Serving the Inns Court area of Knowle West, The Mede offers room hire with special rates for local residents. IT training, cafe, after-school club, play schemes, youth club, local residents group meetings and monthly social events. Sports hall for hire in the community

centre for sports use or conferences, training, parties, etc. There's also a community bus service for local people • Contact: Stewart Weston, 1 Marshall Walk, Knowle, Bristol BS4 1TR. Tel: 0117 904 1220
email: themedede@hotmail.com
web: www.themedede.org.uk/main.php?page=39

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NORTH BRISTOL ADVICE CENTRE

See full listing under Need Help?

THE PARK (LOCAL OPPORTUNITY CENTRE) LTD

Nursery, creche, cafe, IT training, environmental gardening, room

hire, catering, performing arts, childcare, building, plumbing, art, pottery, sports facilities • Contact: Joy Pollard/Emma Hinton, Davenport Rd, Knowle, Bristol BS4 1QD. Tel: 0117 903 9770
email: joy.pollard@bristol.gov.uk
web: theparkcentre.com

A Social Enterprise

RIDGEWOOD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Offers room hire, drama, art, childcare centre, dance, crafts, table tennis, community garden, keep fit, music appreciation, tai chi, pilates, pottery, party booking and room for much more. Serves all age, from toddlers to the elderly, in Yate, Dodington and surrounding rural areas • Contact: Anne-Marie Cook, 244 Station Rd, Yate, BS37 4AF Tel: 01454 868650
email: reception@ridgewood-ca.freemove.co.uk

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SHIREHAMPTON PUBLIC HALL COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

Offer room/venue hire, as well as community education basic skills classes. There are a variety of community groups and club meetings on offer - art/craft exhibitions, community garden, playgroup, club for retired people, model railway club, pillow lace club, small concert venue, dance classes, bingo club and art club • Contact: Jeanette Cossey, 32 Station Rd, Shirehampton, Bristol BS11 9TX. Tel: 0117 982 9963
email: bookings@shirepublichall.org.uk
web: www.shirepubhall.org.uk

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SOUTH BRISTOL CHURCH AND COMMUNITY TRUST

The Withywood Centre is a community building that houses Withywood Church, a community cafe, The Amelia Nutt Clinic, WASPS play scheme (during school holidays), creche facilities, South Bristol Advice Services, Project Why, Priority Youth Housing and other projects (run by HWV), with social halls and meeting room available for hire. They aim to service everyone in the community - from cradle to grave - in their fully accessible building • Contact: Sean Wyatt, The Withywood Centre, Queens Rd, Withywood, Bristol BS13 8QA. Tel: 0117 904 7205
email: reception@withywoodcentre.com
web: www.withywoodcentre.com

A Development Trust

SOUTHMEAD DEVELOPMENT TRUST

Based at the Greenway Centre, Southmead Development Trust offers a range of services, including: a training centre

The Withywood Centre South Bristol Church & Community Trust

● The Withywood Centre is a new, thriving neighbourhood community centre, health clinic, church and youth cafe for the people of Withywood. It opened to the public on 15 January 2007 – and in the six months following the opening, 5,000 people visited the centre.

The idea came from local people and has been developed through a unique partnership between the Anglican and Methodist churches, Hartcliffe and Withywood Ventures, Bristol City Council, Bristol Primary Care Trust and the Hartcliffe and Withywood Community Partnership.

The new building is located on the former Withywood Youth Centre site on Queens Road. The Amelia Nutt Clinic and Withywood Church Centre have closed and relocated into the new building, and these sites are being sold off. The money raised through the church and council owned sites at Four Acres and Turtlegate Avenue will be put into the new scheme in order to make it financially sustainable in the long term. This £5.4m scheme is intended to create a focal location for the community of Withywood and to regenerate the area.

The new centre provides a community cafe, function halls, creche within a play zone, meeting rooms, advice centre, church, youth cafe, advice centre, project offices and a health clinic, set in landscaped grounds with car parking. It will provide accommodation for existing local projects and service providers, and will be fully accessible,



'secure by design' and inclusive of all age groups. It will welcome young and old.

Community cafe – Megabytes: This community cafe is open soon for all to use. Offering a range of hot and cold food and drinks, it can cater for functions, meetings and conferences.

Commitment to youth - new youth cafe The Edge: There's a team of youth workers for the centre, working in partnership with the council's youth cafe. Under the direction of the strategic youth manager, they are available to work with young people to set up activities and enable them to access all the opportunities open to them at the new centre.

Activities at Withywood Centre: Tenants at the centre include Withywood Church Centre, PCT Amelia Nutt Clinic, Bristol City Council youth cafe, Hartcliffe and Withywood

Ventures (HWV), South Bristol Advice Services and Priority Youth Housing.

The centre is already busy. Groups regularly booking space include the credit union, Hartwood Club, karate, bingo, sequence dancing, Jaspers creche and WASPS play scheme. EPIC! (the older people's group) are looking at setting up daytime activities, and there's a social group who hope to set up other daytime activities. Bookings are already coming in for weddings, funeral services and wakes, parties and conferences. Over a period of time there will be more on offer, and groups can book spaces for activities.

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offering computer courses, business courses and skills for life in partnership with LearnDirect; a variety of sports and leisure activities, including sports pitches, a hall, gymnasium, weights room, snooker and pool tables; 20 managed workspace units; 10 managed workspace units 'free' to new or developing enterprises within the northern crescent area of Bristol; three 'One Stop Advice Shops' (Southmead, Lockleaze and Lawrence Weston); a community hall, which is host to events ranging from wrestling and tea dances to community plays and business conferences; meeting rooms; outdoor space and a picnic area • Contact: Stephen Haddow, The Greenway Centre, Doncaster Rd, Southmead, Bristol BS10 5PY. Tel: 0117 950 3335 email: information@southmead.org web: www.southmead.org

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SOUTHVILLE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

The Southville Centre provides childcare services, social care for older people and a wide range of groups, classes, arts and environmental activities. There are a range of pleasant, accessible rooms for hire, and the licensed Oasis Cafe is open for the public and for events • Contact: Anne Malindine, The Southville Centre, Beaufort Rd, Southville, Bristol BS3 1QG. Tel: 0117 923 1039 email: info@southvillecentre.org.uk web: www.southvillecentre.org.uk

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ST PAULS LEARNING AND FAMILY CENTRE

See full listing under Learning

ST WERBURGH'S COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

The St Werburghs Centre offers a range of rooms for hire - rates are reasonable, with special rates for local residents and voluntary groups. Fax and photocopying available. The Centre now has a UK Online IT facility. Works city-wide with communities of interest • Contact: Linda Bell, The St Werburghs Centre, Horley Rd, St Werburghs, Bristol BS2 9TJ. Tel: 0117 955 1351 email: linda@stwerburghs.org.uk web: www.stwerburghs.org

A Development Trust

THE TRINITY CENTRE

Currently managed by Trinity Community Arts Ltd as a not-for-profit enterprise, providing a space for the development of arts activities and for community use. Re-opened in October 2004. TCA's vision is to develop the skills of young people in multimedia

techniques using the wealth of local talent. Groups and individuals are also encouraged to use Trinity as their space for meetings, social events, exhibitions and activities. Currently, there's a main hall with large PA system, fully licensed bar and disabled access, meeting room, large gardens, community recording studio and internet radio room. The hall and meeting room are available for hire. Evening licence until 2am (Sun-Thur) and 4am (Thur-Sat). Live music and club nights take place weekly. See website for listings • Contact: Emma Harvey, Trinity Community Arts Ltd, Trinity Rd, St Philips, Bristol BS2 0NW. Tel: 0117 935 1200 email: info@3ca.org.uk web: www.3ca.org.uk

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Shopping with a Difference

THE ARCHITECTURE CENTRE

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ASPIRE COMMUNITY ENTERPRISE LTD

Provides supported employment for homeless and ex-homeless people through an innovative social enterprise of three main businesses - window cleaning, painting and decorating, and gardening maintenance - covering a range of customers including domestic, commercial and industrial. The window-cleaning division complies with modern health and safety guidelines and utilises a purified water-fed pole system that reaches up to heights of 45ft. The painting and decorating division has PASMA-qualified competent staff to erect scaffolding for larger commercial contracts. They also provide a friendly and personal regular garden maintenance and clearance programme all over Bristol. Please call the office or email for a very competitive quote for any or all of the three businesses. Aspire really does create real jobs for homeless people. All the clients at Aspire are fully trained and supervised by a highly professional, dedicated, award-winning team. Aspire is a limited company with charitable aims • Contact: Paul Tipler, Unit 20, Barton Hill Trading Estate, Maze St, Barton Hill, Bristol BS5 9TQ. Tel: 0117 954 0861 email: aspire-bristol@btconnect.com web: www.aspire-bristol.co.uk

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AUTOQUIP

Provides car parts and accessories at competitive prices to the public and the trade, with an hourly delivery service to trade in Bristol, and a three-times-daily service to trade in the Chew Valley area on the outskirts of Bristol. They provide services for the making of brake pipes, number plates and alarm fobs, and the making-up of paint you wait (which may be longer at weekends and very busy periods). The friendly, helpful staff, with a good knowledge of past and present vehicle parts, have a collective service of around 55 years. Autoquip offer a discount scheme to fellow co-operative members, as well as to the trade and members of emergency services such as the fire brigade, police, ambulance and hospital staff • Contact: Kevin Clay, 559-563 Fishponds Rd, Fishponds, Bristol BS16 3AF Tel: 0117 958 5555 email: autoquip@aol.com web: www.autoquip.uk.com

A Workers' Co-operative

BATHFORD ENTERPRISE FOR ALL (BEFA) LTD - BATHFORD VILLAGE SHOP COMMUNITY CO-OPERATIVE

Shop selling range of food and groceries, with emphasis on locally-sourced, fairly-traded and organic goods. Coffee shop with local handmade arts and crafts. Local home deliveries. Open daily. Newly established in May 2006, the shop is the first initiative of Bathford Enterprise for All (BEFA Ltd), which intends to expand its social enterprise activities to contribute towards sustaining the village community. Membership is open to all: £10/share. Shop manager: Paul Faulkner • Contact: Jill Gigg, 54 Bathford Hill, Bathford, Bath, BA1 7SN. Tel: 01225 859186 email: m@ureen.breeze55.freemove.co.uk

A Community Co-operative

BISHOPSTON TRADING COMPANY

Set up in 1985 to create employment in the southern Indian village of K.V. Kuppam and to strengthen the village's long links with Bishopston in Bristol. Its five shops in Bristol, Stroud, Glastonbury, Totnes and Bradford-on-Avon sell clothes for adults and children, made exclusively to their designs from organic cotton and other natural fabrics by a team of 468 skilled tailors, weavers and hand finishers in K.V. Kuppam. Sells a range of knitted cotton basics also produced in India and made from Fairtrade-certified organic yarn. They also produce a mail-order catalogue. Any profits are used to benefit the

people of K.V. Kuppam • Contact: Carolyn Whitwell, 193 Gloucester Rd, Bishopston, Bristol BS7 8BG. Tel: 0117 924 5598 email: info@bishopstontrading.co.uk web: www.bishopstontrading.co.uk

A Workers' Co-operative

BLAZE STUDIOS

See full listing under Art & Design

BRISTOL COMMUNITY TRANSPORT

See full listing under Getting Around

BRISTOL FARMERS' MARKET

See full listing under Food

BURIED TREASURE LTD

See full listing under Going Green

CHILDREN'S SCRAPSTORE

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CO-OP GROUP (CWS LTD)

The Co-operative Group is the UK's largest consumer co-operative. They operate food stores, The Co-operative Bank, CIS, Travelcare, Funeralcare, Co-op Pharmacy and farms. They're different because they have values and principles that underpin how they do business, and because they're owned by their members, who share in their profits and influence the decisions that they make. Social goals are as important as commercial ones, and size and breadth gives a clear message that co-operatives can lead the way in business • Contact: Andrew North, Regional Member Services, Limesfield, Broad Rd, Dulford, Cullompton, EX15 2DY. Tel: 01884 266892 email: info@co-op.co.uk web: www.co-op.co.uk

A Consumer Co-operative

EMMAUS

See full listing under At Home

FOOD FOR ALL - HARTCLIFFE FOOD CO-OPERATIVE

See full listing under Food

FOREST OF AVON WOOD PRODUCTS CO-OPERATIVE

See full listing under Going Green

FRANK WATER

See full listing under Eating & Drinking

HARVEST NATURAL FOODS (BATH)

Bath's famous vegetarian wholefood co-operative opened in 1971, since then it's been supplying the West Country with an enormous range of guaranteed non-GM produce, from organic fruit, vegetables and dairy to