

The House 2008/9



Review

On the whole it is true to say that The House has been one of the most important developments in the life of Legacy since the opening of Legacy XS. There have certainly been challenges along the way but overcoming these has been part of the journey. These challenges aside, The House has proved to be a fantastic resource for evangelism and has also provided a haven for needy young people for both short and longer terms. As a centre for prayer and study of scripture it has proved invaluable and both residents and visitors have made extensive use of the chapel which forms the heart of the community.

A mixed house

One aspect of the House which had proved to be problematic was the fact that it had been an exclusively all male environment. The restrictions we placed on the boys in relation to having girls in the house only when at least one other person is present has, in some circumstances, given the impression that, yet again, Legacy has a focus on the needs of males at the expense of females. The solution to this is the inclusion this year of two new house members, Anna Moorhouse and Kim Palin. The Legacy House is now a mixed gender house! Applications from individuals who wish to join the community are now taken on a rolling basis so you should feel free to apply for a place in the house at any time. Application forms are available on the website.

A larger property

We have now acquired the use of a new property which is a large four bedroom house (29 Glebelands) which is large enough to accommodate an expanded team (see below) as well as having a "spare" room for guests which also doubles as the house study. The garage is to be kset up with gym equipment as another activity for house members and visitors and the lean-to on the side of the house will be converted to use as a hermitage where individuals can spend silent weekends or longer periods of time alone in prayer, meditation and study. A large sitting room provides plenty of space to relax and a good sized chapel once again forms the centrepiece of the community.

As with last year's successful pilot The House is an open community who are always happy to welcome and offer hospitality to visitors. If you wish to call in you will be very welcome - the community look forward to seeing you. The current house community consists of;

Anna Moorhouse
Kim Palin
Luke Cooper
Matt Rose
Carl Dent
Aaron Beale

