

Emily Oliver's Report via email 18th April 2021

The Toddler group has not met at the hall since February 2020. There is a Facebook group for members of the group, in which members can post anything relevant to the parents of young children, but given the lockdowns and the hall being out of use until last week, the toddler group has not taken place. We hope to resume in the coming months, but this relies on the viability of the group (ie it's membership). I do not live in Longworth and therefore do not have connections to the new parents in the area, whilst a lot of the previous attendees' children are now attending schools or pre-schools and therefore will not now return.

I understand that if the group resumes, we will need to institute a more rigorous cleaning routine after use. Previously, we struggled with recruiting a reliable core of members willing to take on responsibility regularly (eg provision of snacks, setting up, sweeping and cleaning up at the end of the session, as well as leading the group activities), and given that many of the regular attendees have now moved on, it may prove to be too difficult for one person to manage these responsibilities as well as increased sanitisation regimes following the use of the hall. We will see how the next few months play out, as it is nice to have the toddler group available as a support available for parents in the area.