

Dear Friends,

It is just over 3 months since my last communication and with recent government announcements on the cautious relaxation of virus controls I thought it important to update you on our own plans for restarting of services. Safety of our participants and staff is paramount. Many of our services are dependent on the availability and safe operation of facilities in the area and so service resumption will be driven by this and government guidelines on size of gatherings. You can find the details of the services in the table below.

It would remiss of me not to reflect on the work our teams have been putting in over the past months not least Julie Nethercote who has led the introduction of a modified play provision for our high needs children in close cooperation with Portsmouth City Council and The Mary Rose Academy.

Our team at Landport Community Centre of Gavin Randall and Hollie Sherred have shown us how a small refocus can deliver great results by partnering with Radian Housing to fund a free meals service for vulnerable people in Portsmouth. In doing so we have forged strong partnerships with Jeanette Warren and her band of volunteers from the Lady Hamilton public house, Clair Martin at Pompey in the Community and various members of Portsmouth FC and the catering team from Havant and South Downs College. Hats off to the whole team who have now delivered over 5000 free meals

Our offices in Copnor are staffed and you can call us for further advice on our services on 023 9267 1846 or email at enquiries@enableability.org.uk

We appreciate how recent months must have been very challenging for our service users and carers. All our team are keen to offer services as soon as government guidance allows and it is safe to do so for participants and staff alike.

Sincere regards,

Jon Muller

Chair of Trustees

29th June 2020

ervice Name	Current Status and Outlook
Play scheme	Running interim service at 2 settings that will increase to 4 by end July to accommodate our Summer Play scheme.
Saturday Club	Currently in abeyance looking to restart when schools return by late September.
Adult Befriending	Currently inactive but following risk assessments with users/families we hope to start slow reintroduction from mid-July.
Child Befriending	Currently only one child receiving support from 2 befrienders but as above following risk assessments we plan to start slow reintroduction of service from mid-July.
Advocacy	Currently inactive, seeking to restart remotely from late July.
Junior Club	Currently inactive but plan to survey users/parents in order to recommence in the September timeframe.
Portsmouth Youth Project	Online activities have been on-going and fortnightly meetings held using video conferencing. Following user/parent surveys we look to reintroduce in the September timeframe.
Hampshire Youth Project & Portsmouth Teenage Project	Currently inactive but hoping to restart in September timeframe once surveys have been completed.
Autism Support	Currently inactive. Planning to restart Young Adults in August and looking at other locations for other activities.
Wheelchair Basketball	Currently inactive but plan to survey users/parents in order to recommence in the September timeframe.
Inter Activ work experience	Restarting Repair Shop on 1 st July. Other work programmes to follow as venues permit.
Landport Community Centre Cafe	Will open 3 days per week from July 8 th with Covid safeguards in place.

