



WDCO REPORT

MANOR HOUSE DEVELOPMENT TRUST

For the period March 2025



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EMPOWERING

- Provided free financial skills workshop for teenagers.
- Provided cycling courses to help young people to learn to cycle.
- A new contract agreed with Active Within to provide a range of fitness and sport activities at the RCC beginning March 25

CONNECTING

- Collaborating with London School of Architecture and Hackney Showroom on Hidden River Festival and youth pavilion proposals.
- Connected residents through Kitchen Social activities and exploring resident-led food co-op.

CREATING THE SPACE

- Working on bid for pavilion build project with young people
- Discussion continues with NHG regarding Phase 3 Community Space
- Attended the Woodberry Down Round Table

A ROBUST AND SUSTAINABLE ORGANISATION

- Income from bookings at the RCC continues to exceed targets
- Working on joint funding bids with Lunch Up Club, LBH, London School of Architecture
- Other large bids in with National Lottery

INFLUENCING THE POWERFUL

- Delivered youth workshops in Scottish Highlands, Yorkshire and Sussex as part of British Academy research project
- Hosted LDT-wide Trustee conference
- Collaborating with local and London-wide resilience partners



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Projects

- In March we distributed over 700kg of fresh food through Community Fridge (~1700 meals*), issued 40 Hackney Foodbank vouchers (~800 meals*), and supported asylum seekers to cook 150 meals.
- MHDT supported two community-led events in March, with funding from the Woodberry Down delivery partners:
 - International Women's Day event delivered by Girls Friendly Society for girls and young women. 32 attendees took part in robotics and special effects make-up workshops.
 - Meet Your Neighbours/Naturalist farewell event organised by WDCO. Over 80 people attended.

*based on WRAP food guidelines of 420g per meal



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COOPERATION TOWN

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could be saving £££ on
food bills!**

**Come and find out
how joining a local
food co-op could
save you money!**

For more info, contact: saul@cooperation.town

Projects continued

- MHDT concluded work on a community resilience hubs project with Gorundwork, British Red Cross and Hackney Emergency Planning teams. Outcomes include an action plan for MHDT to implement, including creation of a Community Emergency Plan for Woodberry Down.
- We distributed 10 free laptops from the National Device bank to digitally excluded residents, in partnership with Friends of Woodberry Down, who are now delivering follow up digital skills training.
- We hosted a poetry reading by a local resident and partnered with Cooperation Town to host a resident's meeting to establish a food co-op at the Redmond Centre.



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Woodberry Wetlands Neighbourhood

- The March Woodberry Wetlands neighbourhood forum was in partnership with Friends of Woodberry Down and Lunch Up Club.
- FoWD delivered their session at the Redmond Centre in the morning prior to the forum, with 43 attendees at the forum.
- The forum aligned with our health priority of support for residents with long-term health conditions; particularly the social isolation caused by a long-term health condition.
- The forum was aimed at residents aged 55+ and gathered insights on where and how they find out about local services, events and support. Family Action's social prescribers, Talking Therapies, Stop Smoking Service and Hackney Lunch Club Networks all promoted their services.



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Update regarding MHDТ's relationship (subsidiary) with London Development Trust (parent company)

Across the social sector – local authorities, central government and the VCS sector - are seeing budgets cut and pressure put on funding, in particular grant funding. These issues are not limited to MHDТ and LDT.

- In order to be a more resilient organisation, in recent years, LDT has been expanding its operational scope to share expertise and bring in income more broadly through (among other things):
 - Offering consultancy to other sites on community aspects of regeneration
 - Delivering social policy research contracts
 - Developing paid educational courses in partnership with higher education institutions.
- In light of projected future financial challenges to the entire sector, LDT is considering changes to its group structure to make sure it is as resilient as possible. These changes will seek to centralise central costs more effectively, improve internal efficiency through more streamlined accounting and reporting and to make it easier to have multiple, flexible income streams to make the organisation.
- Focus remains on ensuring robust place based local governance structures and grassroots engagement, while simultaneously building financial resilience
- Options include merging individual companies to better distribute risks, assets and central costs, and separating the companies entirely. Discussions with the board of trustees are ongoing and will involve partner organisations at the earliest appropriate intervals.



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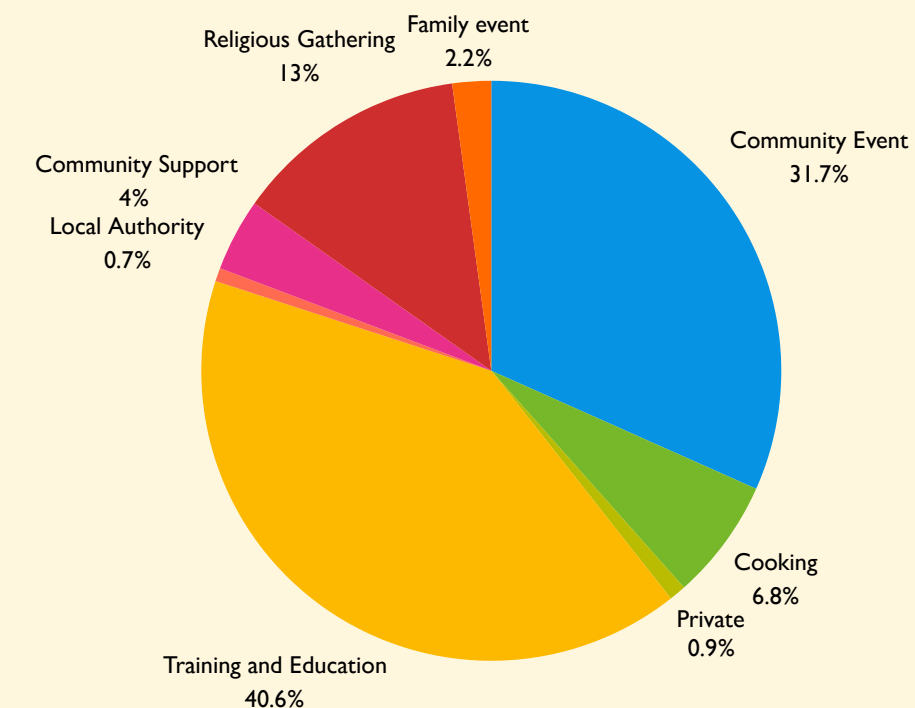
- These charts provide data on use of the RCC between 1st March and 31st March 2025. We host different activities, some of which are open to the public, including church services, prayer meetings, exercise groups and community events. Community event represents events that are open to the public for free or at low cost eg: church, youth group, vegetable collection, yoga etc. Community Support events are bookings that provide support for disadvantaged members of the community, e.g. Refugee cooking sessions, SEND support etc.
- The graph at the bottom right illustrates the percentage of the booking type we have at Redmond. Our primary bookings are regular reservations, which occur weekly or monthly and are offered at a discounted rate. LDT Funded bookings will be termed as booking that are funded fully or partially by LDT and no/little hiring fee has been charged for these bookings.
- Our office space is fully utilized, with three rooms currently booked on a monthly basis by Hackney Works, Hackney Libraries and Ek Outreach (shown as office space in the Chart). Additionally, we accommodate private and community events, which may or may not be LDT funded.



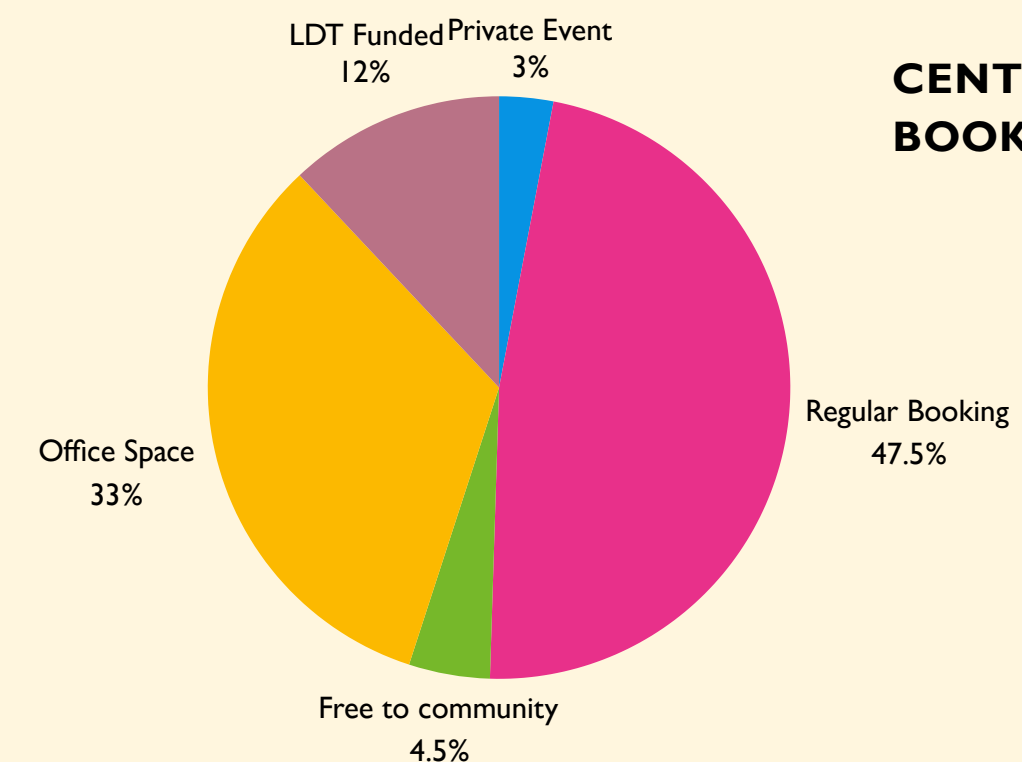
TRAFFIC (TOTAL ATTENDEES)

4000 approx

CENTRE USE BY ACTIVITY



CENTRE USE BY BOOKING TYPE





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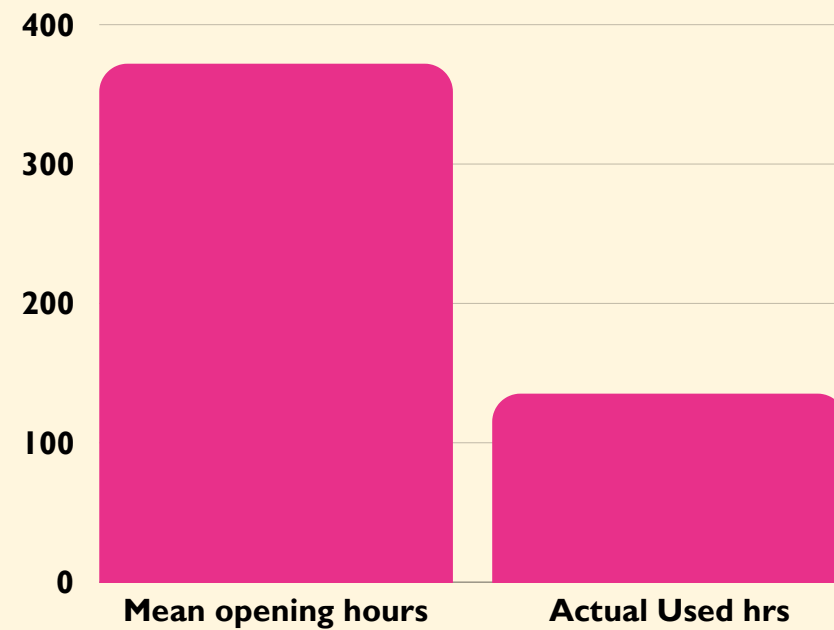


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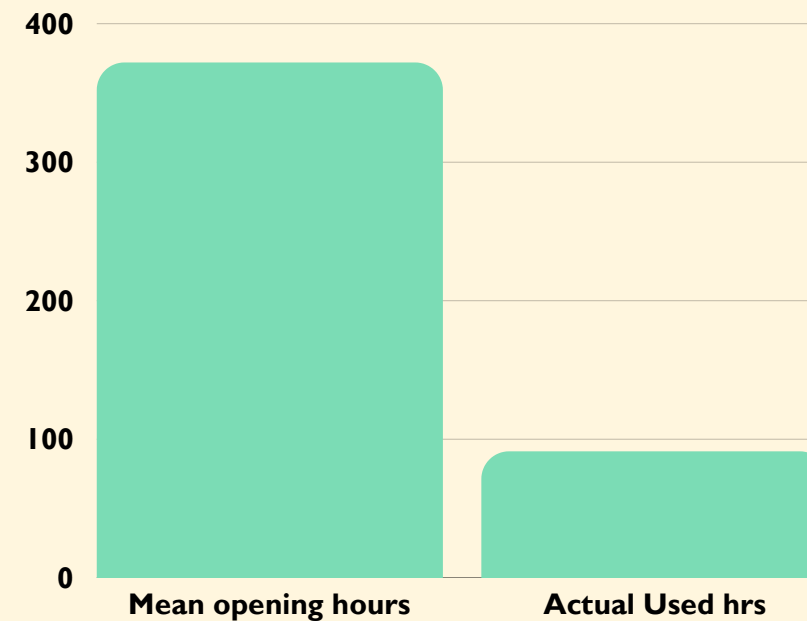


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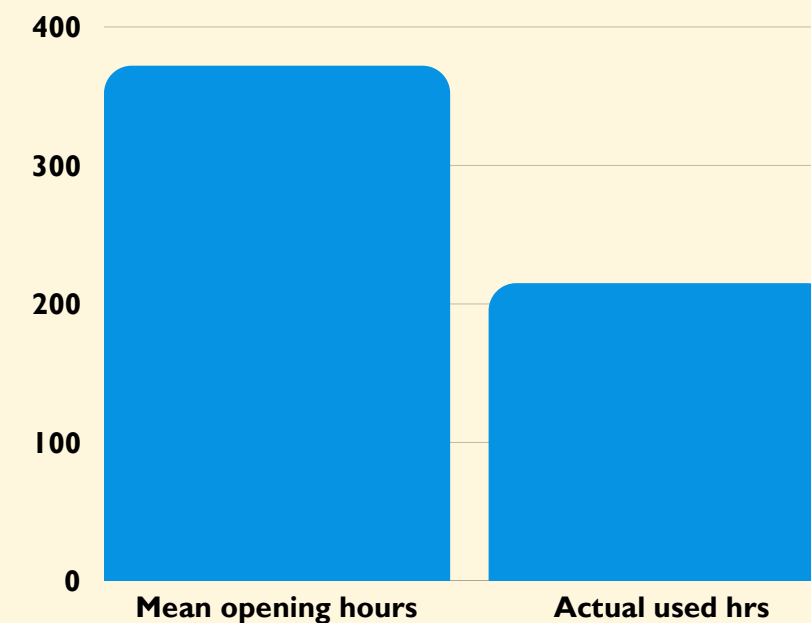
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ROOM ONE



ROOM TWO

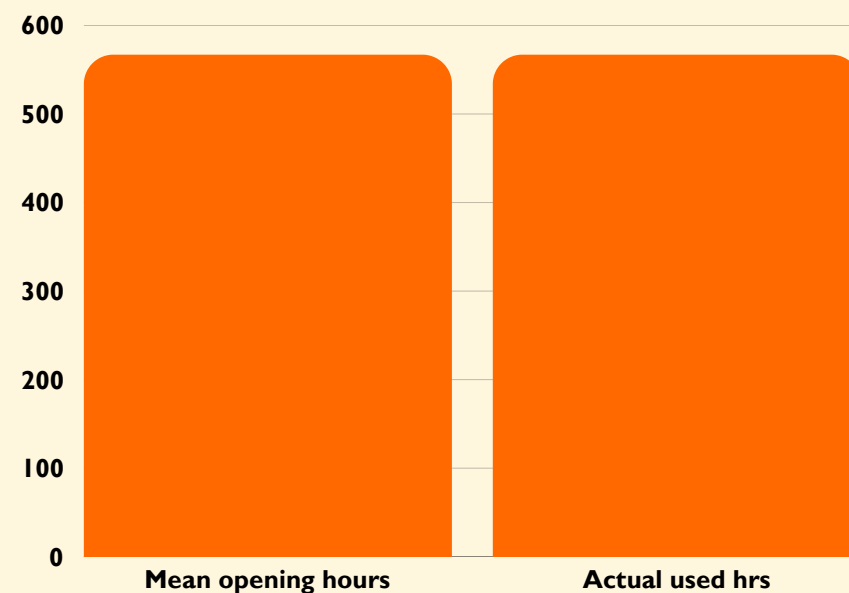


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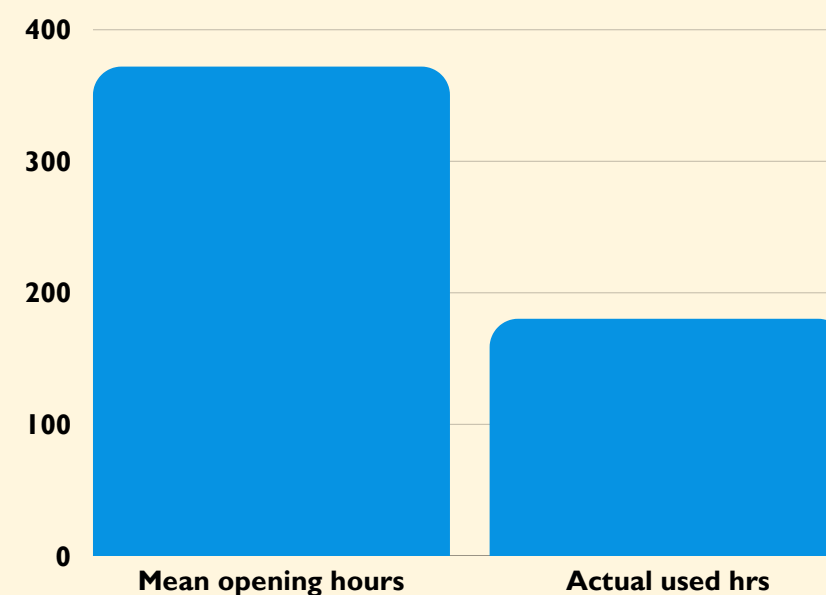
The Mean opening hours indicates hours from Mon-Sun 9am - 9pm for the whole month of March. These are the average we are open for the month of March.

The Actual Used hours in the bar represents, the hours the room is actually booked. These figures are for the whole month of March.

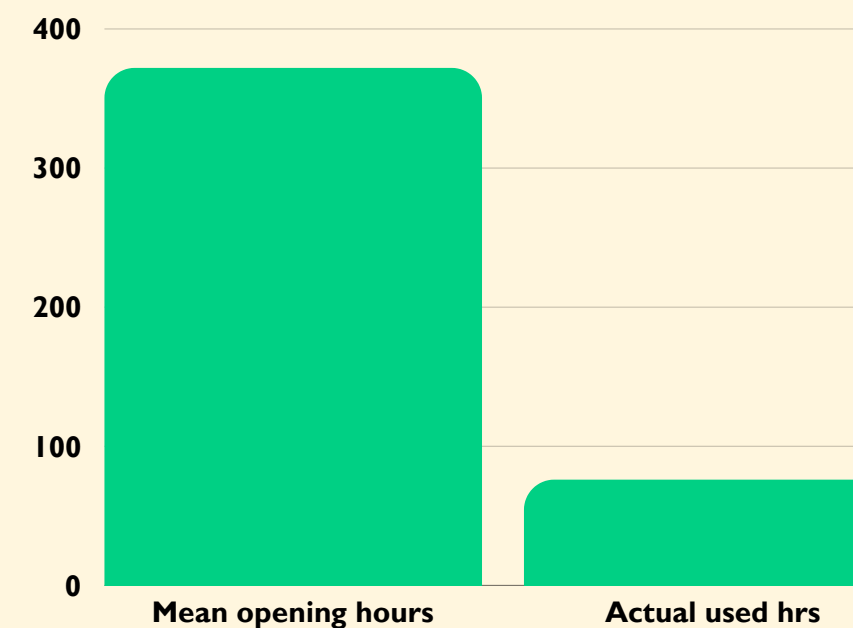
OFFICE SPACE



KITCHEN



GARDEN



Please note, **OFFICE SPACE** is the 3 rooms that are rented by Hackney works, Hackney Library and Ek-Outreach on a monthly basis. Used Mon-Fri 9am - 6pm and thus shown as fully occupied.



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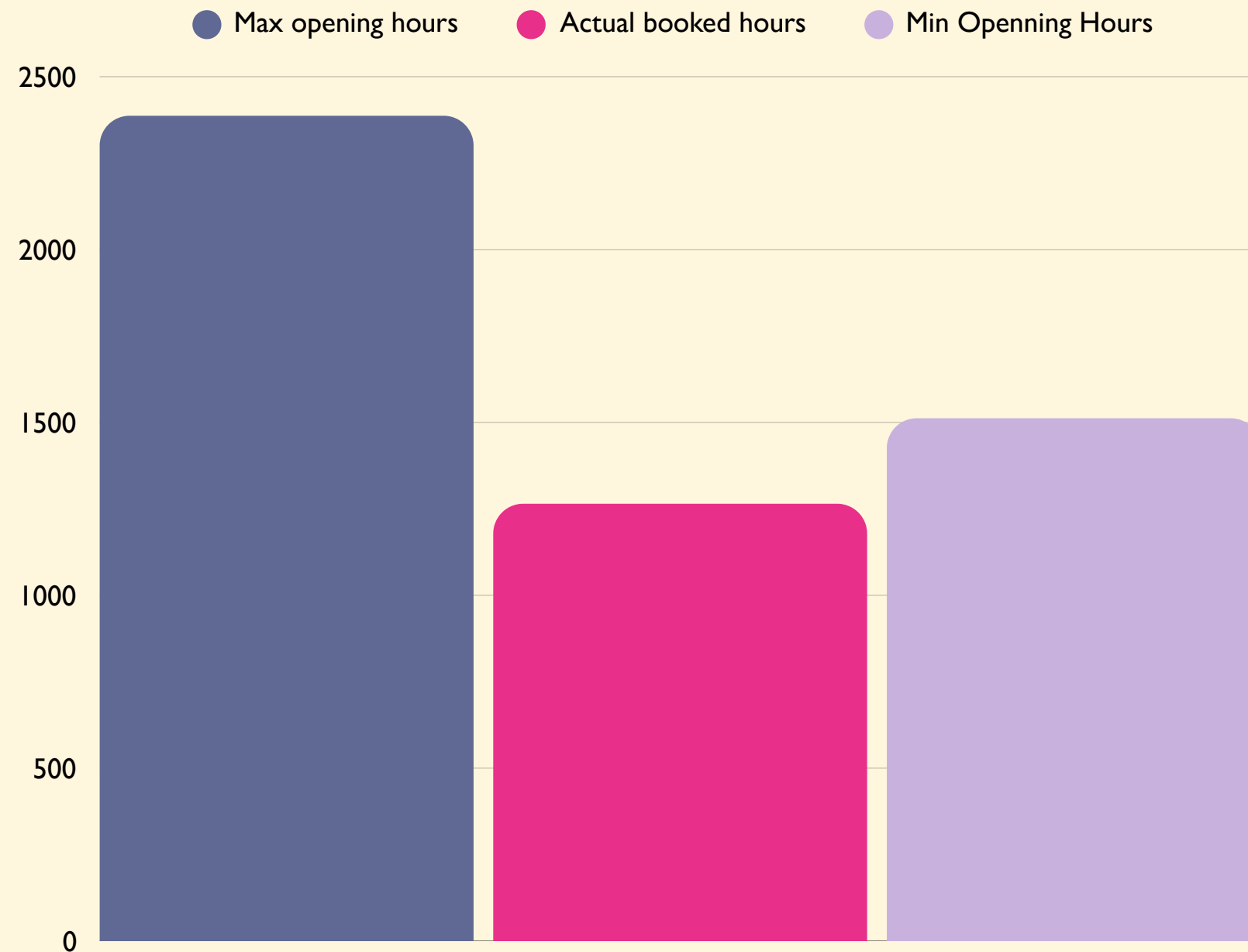


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TOTAL CENTRE USE: HOURS BOOKED OVER HOURS AVAILABLE TO BOOK (FOR ALL ROOMS/ROOM COMBINATIONS)



THE GRAPH ON THE LEFT REPRESENTS THE TOTAL USAGE OF THE CENTRE.

The Maximum opening hours indicates hours from Mon-Sat 9am - 11pm and Sun 9am - 9pm for the whole month of February. These are the maximum hours we can be open. On average we close between 9 pm and 9:30pm.

The Actual Used hours in the bar represents, the hours the room is actually booked. These figures are for the whole month of February.

The Minimum opening hours indicates the working hours that we are open regardless of bookings at the centre. That is Mon-Fri 9am - 6pm.



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The graph on the right represents the weekly occupancy of the centre in hours. This data is for the whole month of March. We are busiest on Wednesdays and Thursdays, with an average of 6-7 bookings each week falling on Wednesdays and 4-5 on a Thursday. Mondays are the least utilised day, with an average of 2-3 bookings falling on the day.

CENTRE USE ACROSS THE WEEK IN HOURS :

