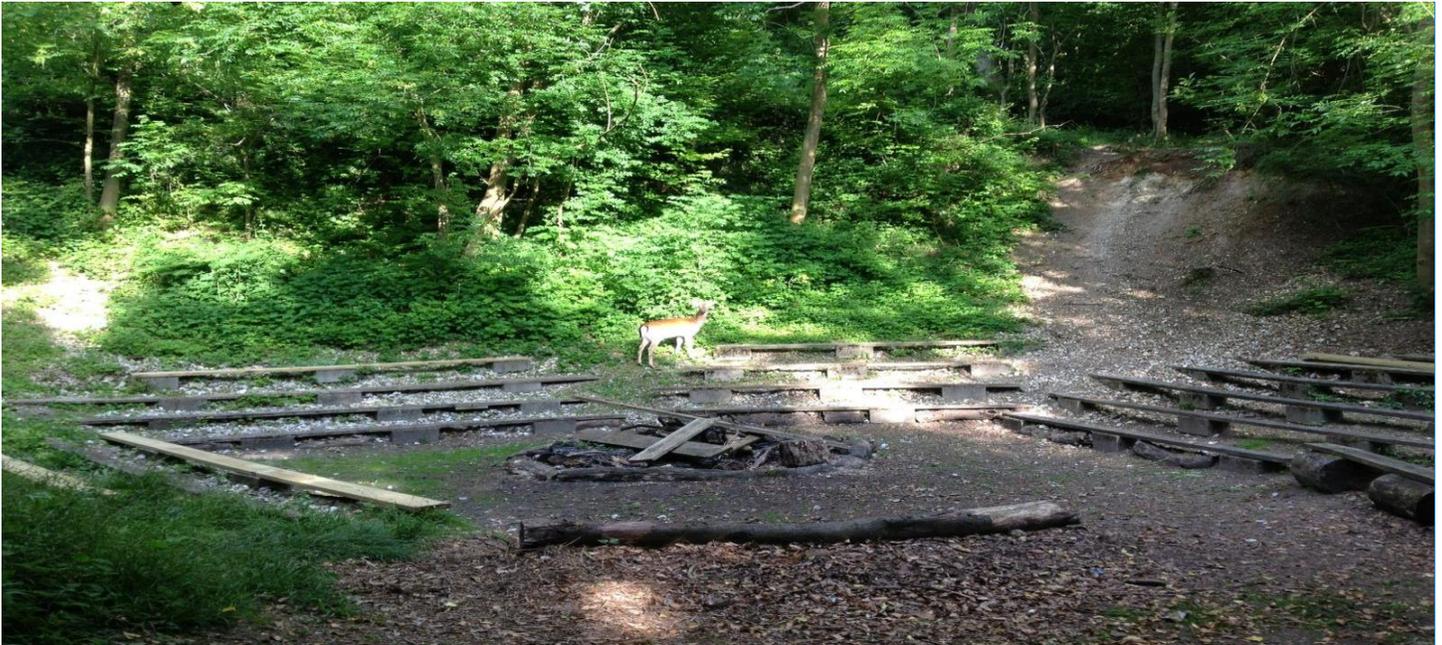


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CUDHAM SHAWS OUTDOOR CENTRE



WELCOME

As announced on 22 February, Bexley Scouts are in the process of finalising negotiations to open Cudham Shaws Outdoor Centre.

Once the lease is agreed, we aim to partly open the site – Lower Field first – from Friday 30 April 2022.

OPEN WEEKEND

We look forward to welcoming you all to our open weekend where you can meet the team, let us have your thoughts on what you'd like to see in terms of facilities and activities and also to wander around and have a look at this fantastic 92 acres site.

OPEN TO ALL

The Centre will welcome groups from Scouts, Girlguiding, DofE groups, schools and other organized youth groups.

Bexley Scouts groups will receive a small discount on some fees but no booking priority advantages.



OPEN WEEKEND

Please come and meet the team and have a look around the site

Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 April 10am - 5pm

Reception in Silver Birches, Parking in East Field
- 144 Cudham Lane North TN14 7QT

Cudham Shaws Needs You!!

The Outdoor Centre will be run and staffed entirely by volunteers so if you are able to help with any of the following please let us know via cudhamcrew@bexleyscouts.org.uk

- Working parties to prepare the site for opening
- Site crew for ongoing maintenance
- Team members to help run the Centre when campers are on site
- Activity instructors for archery, tomahawk throwing and air rifles



BOOKINGS

Now that our news can be public, we are working to finish off the online booking system with Online Scout Manager (OSM) for those who wish to use it.

The paper booking system is already live and we're delighted to have already received a few bookings and enquiries in the first few days.

<https://www.cudhamshaws.site/bookings>



Cudham Shaws
Outdoor Centre



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OUR STORY SO FAR

When we found out last year that Cudham Shaws was being closed we were, like many of you, very concerned about where the current and future generations of young people would be able to camp and enjoy the outdoor experiences we all did when we were their age.

At that time Downe and Broadstone Warren were also closed, so when we learnt that Cudham Shaws had been leased rather than owned by Girlguiding UK we approached the landlords, Trust for London (TfL), to discuss their plans for the site.

During our initial talks with TfL we were told that a wildlife trust was going to have the lower site but subsequently TfL Trustees decided they wanted one tenant for the whole site. We were therefore offered the opportunity to be the new tenant and are now finalising a new lease with TfL.