



# HONOURING OUR PAST INSPIRING OUR FUTURE

Help us transform South Brent Old School  
Community Centre into a space for everyone  
for the next 150 years



**SOUTH BRENT**  
**OLD SCHOOL COMMUNITY CENTRE**  
**TOTNES ROAD, SOUTH BRENT, TQ10 9BP**



# A SPACE FOR EVERYONE

## 150 YEARS IN OUR COMMUNITY

Since 1876 The Old School Centre has stood at the heart of South Brent.

Generations came here to study, and it's now home to local groups and vital services such as the Post Office, Community Library and much more, including South Brent and District Caring, Sustainable South Brent, South Brent Archive and Art House.

## TIME FOR RENEWAL

But time has taken its toll: the roof leaks, some rooms are unheated, the divided building is hard to navigate, the entrance is inaccessible and there's not enough space in the centre for all those who want to use it.

Our plan is to create a flexible space for everyone: preserving history and empowering community.



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**1876**  
South Brent Board School opens
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**1996**  
School moves to new site
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**1997**  
Old buildings bought by community
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**2000**  
Official opening of The Old School Community Centre
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**2020**  
Raising the Roof fundraising campaign

# BOLD PLANS, BIG IMPACT

With this project, we're securing the building for the next 150 years. But our vision is not just a restoration: it's a transformation.

## OUR VISION

The Old School Centre will be a modern community space, with:

- A main hall for gatherings, performances and celebrations
- Creative workshop areas for young people and local makers
- Exhibition space and South Brent Archive, preserving the stories of our region
- A kitchen and social hub for all

## THE IMPACT

Each year, we expect to host over 200 events and welcome 10,000 visitors, reviving skills, pride, and connection.

We'll make The Old School Centre into a vibrant, inclusive space where the past is respected and the future is built together.



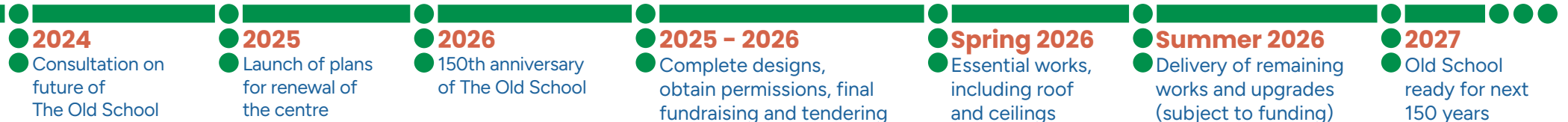
## LONG-TERM SUSTAINABILITY

More than saving a building, we'll make a usable community space for generations to come.

With insulation, solar panels, power storage and heat pumps, we aim to be carbon-neutral too.

## OUR PLANS INCLUDE:

- A new entrance area linking Art House and the community centre for the first time
- Better public spaces with improved accessibility and circulation space
- New spaces formed within the existing roof and carefully designed extensions
- New and improved community facilities for everyone





# RAISING FUNDS FOR REJUVENATION

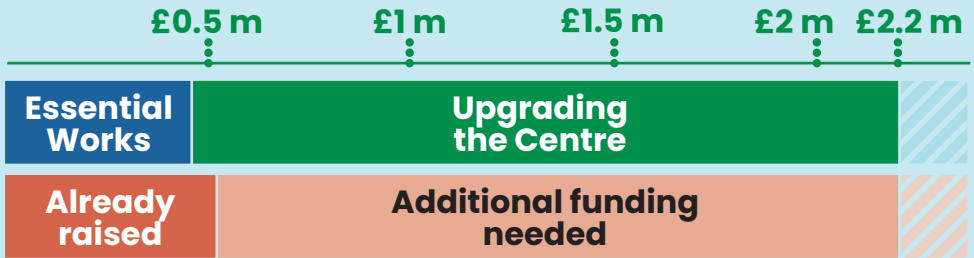
**Our goal is to raise £2.2 million.**

Our plan is to fund and complete the upgrade in six phases.

We'd like to thank everyone who has helped us raise £530,000 through events, donations, and grants so far. Thanks to them, essential works are within reach.

But to unlock the full benefits, we need one final push. We've appointed a professional fundraiser with a proven track record to help us attract external funding and grants.

**We still need your help to raise the rest.**



We welcome donations large and small. Your support could fund:

- Roof and structural restoration
- Accessibility upgrades
- Insulation and air-source heat pumps
- Solar panels and batteries
- Heritage displays and community spaces
- An improved kitchen and servery for events and a community cafe area

Whether you can give £10 or £100,000, your gift will help reopen doors, revive culture, and ensure The Old School Centre serves generations to come.



# HOW YOU CAN HELP

We'd love you to help us transform The Old School Centre and build a legacy for the next 150 years.

- Join our mailing list
- Make a donation today
- Volunteer or spread the word
- Leave a legacy gift

*You can scan this QR code to donate!*



You can make a donation on-line, in person at the centre, by post or through your bank.

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# WORKING TOGETHER TO TRANSFORM THE CENTRE



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