Haewai Houghton Valley Community Hall

80 Houghton Bay Road, Houghton Bay, Wellington



The Haewai Houghton Valley Hall is a character-filled older-style community hall tucked down below a bend of Houghton Bay Road. Principally used as a dance studio, it is available at other times for hire, including Saturdays after 10 am, Sundays, and weekdays until 3 pm. Evenings are available during school holiday periods.

The hall can be used for recreation classes, workshops, rehearsals, talks, exhibitions and meetings, or even if you just need a large indoor space for a bit. It can also be used for community and fundraising events, and quiet private events.

There is a no-alcohol policy, and no smoking inside or around the building.

Facilities

Access: there is a sloped path to the Hall with no steps, but the grade of the path may be steeper than accessibility requirements. There is limited parking on the road frontage, with no designated mobility car parks. There is more parking further down the road.



Capacity: the Hall is equipped for up to 50 seated guests, 75 standing. For recreational groups the floor area is 110 m2 (8.7 m x 12.6 m).



Kitchen: the kitchen has a domestic oven, a microwave oven and a small fridge/freezer. Hot water is only available through a hot water urn and kettle. There is an eclectic collection of cutlery, crockery, mugs and glasses. Please bring your own tea towels and kitchen towels. Tablecloths may be used but need to be cleaned if dirtied.



Toilets: There is one male toilet and one female toilet with hand basins (no hot water). Currently there are no accessible toilet facilities.

Tables and seating: there are 12 folding tables (1800 x 800) and one regular table. There are 12 wooden seating forms that comfortably fit 3 people. There is bench seating down one side of the hall and 8 individual chairs/stools.

Audio/Visual: There is a wall mounted TV screen and there is an upright piano.

Heating/Cooling: There are 6 ceiling mounted radiant heaters. Heating costs



are included in the hire costs. If the heaters are not turned off, a \$1 per hour surcharge will

apply for the duration of the time they are left on. Most windows can be opened, please treat them with care as they are ageing. There are two electric fans available.

Lighting: There are 9 ceiling mounted LED lights in the main area, and fairy lights.

Cleaning: The Hall is run by volunteers from the community. Hirers are responsible for cleaning up afterwards and taking away all rubbish. The main floor needs to be swept (and washed if food has been served) to leave the floor clean for the dancers. A vacuum cleaner is stored in the men's toilet; brooms, mops, cloths, buckets and a cleaner's sink are in the women's toilet.

Outdoors: there is no appreciable outside space next to the hall, but there is plenty of reserve land and a school playground nearby.

Location

The hall is below the road level so is not obvious to people driving by.

The entrance to the hall is near the bus opposite the View Road corner, and serves the Houghton Valley Playcentre as well. There are signs, a noticeboard and a wee free library on the road fence.

Houghton Bay Road at this point is on the No. 23 bus route.



Bookings

For bookings contact: hallbookings@houghtonvalley.org.nz

Casual Hire Costs

Community / Non-profit users: \$15 per hour

Private event / Commercial users: \$25 per hour

If you would like to hire the hall on a regular basis we are happy to negotiate a rate depending on the purpose of the hire.