

Southbourne Parish Neighbourhood Plan Pre-Submission Modified Plan 2014 – 2029

Policy SB10 Employment Land

Supporting Evidence SB10.EV7 – Rume2 (2019)

(September 2022)

Meeting: 12th August 2019

Present: Rosie Freshwater (co-founder); Geoff and Sue Talbot (SPNP volunteers)

Location: Suite4, Sussex House, Second Floor, 12 Crane Street. Chichester. PO19 1LJ (07467 438900)

Information Gathered

Set up: Approx total floorspace 160sq m/1720sq ft.

Opened Jan 2019; co-working seen as commercial business therefore does not attract Govt. grant; no financial support from CDC; development of facilities self-funded.

Does not appear to suffer competition from the Chichester Community Development Trust (CCDT), Freedom Works (this provides more individual office type accommodation), or Chichester Enterprise Centre – CEC (Base Point). CEC is joint venture with CDC and is moving toward providing more and more co-working facilities.

Types of membership/charges set out below. Approx 100 members comprising: 20% 24/7; 40% 40 to 80 hours pm; 40% Community members. Emphasis is on creative freelance occupiers who benefit from co-working. Source of users covers Arundel/Midhurst/Petersfield as well as Chichester and immediate environs.

Space for up to provision of 40 hot desks but most used for co-working; no computers provided; 2 x Broadband provision of which 1 x 1GB superfast bb; 2 x confidential phone booths. Potential for extensive expansion – see floorspace plan.

Aim: to provide 3 or 4 course events pm; helps support CCDT with access to courses; attendance between 5 & 15 people.

Parking: none on site; public car parks within walking distance.

Open: Mon-Fri 08:00 – 18:00 staffed; open 24/7 for dedicated desks (12) with building entry fob access and storage lockers.

Staff: 2 x co-founders with possibly + 1.

Facilities/size: Boardroom: approx. 12sq m (4m x 3.m)(approx. 13sq ft); Meeting Room: 9sq m currently not available as sub let as office to company for 6 months.

Charges:

Board room

- Suitable for up to 12 people
- Natural light
- Bespoke furniture
- Superfast Wifi
- Large Screen
- Refreshments from local suppliers available

£35 + VAT an hour (15% discount for members)

Meeting room (when available)

- Suitable for up to 6 people
- Natural light
- Bespoke furniture
- Superfast Wifi
- Large Screen
- Refreshments from local suppliers available

£20 + VAT an hour (15% discount for members)

Co- working

- Hotdesks 40hrs a month - Monday to Friday 08.00 - 18.00pm

£90 a month + VAT

- Hotdesks 80hrs a month - Monday to Friday 08.00 - 18.00pm

£140 a month + VAT

- Hotdesks 24/7 - Unlimited hours; access 24/7

£220 a month + VAT

Dedicated Desks

- Dedicated desk / unlimited hours; personal locker; access 24/7

£285 a month + VAT

Day Pass

- Monday to Friday 08.00 - 18.00pm

£20 a day (£15 for community members) + VAT

Virtual Office

- Provides postal address, sorting signing & collection, use of office photography for marketing, plus two hours meeting room hire a month

£45 a month + VAT

Co-working membership provides:

Central location with stunning views; brand new beautifully designed space with bespoke furnishings; warm welcome (reception, staff, members); regular members event calendar for knowledge share, community & collaboration; activities to break up the day & promote innovation; fresh coffee, tea & refreshments from local suppliers; superfast Wifi; on site showers & bike racks; easy to use RUME2 app to book space & message the community; A4 printing & scanning; discounts & promotions with local businesses.

Your Community

Membership gives Rume2work, Rume2talk and Rume2grow as individuals and businesses. A full calendar of activities is run to inspire, support and encourage innovation and collaboration. Other activities membership provides the opportunity to take part in:

- **Rume2share:** regular knowledge swap workshops; **Rume2be:** wellness activities; **Rume2eat:** lunch & supper clubs; **Rume2create:** creative workshops; **Rume2learn:** innovation from inspiring people.
- **Rume2 Grow**
All members have access to a bustling schedule of networking events, knowledge share, business mentoring and social activity.

Community Membership

Membership, irrespective of extent of use of co working facilities allows involvement in the business community and to attend events and workshops. All community members also get a discount on room hire and day pass rates.

£20 a month