

Press Release
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The Old Rectory helps the Arrow Riding Centre to continue serving the community

The Old Rectory Business centre in Northfleet has supported the Arrow Riding Centre in Dartford since 2009 and recently donated almost £470 to the charity.

Hazel Causer is an area manager for Basepoint Business Centres, the company which manages The Old Rectory; she recently visited the Arrow Riding Centre to present Val and Ken Blake, the couple who run it, with the cheque.



Hazel commented: “The stables themselves are a real credit to Ken, Val, and all the volunteers who help out at the centre – they are very clean and well-kept and the horses are clearly well cared for. Dartford Borough Council recently honoured the charity with the Dartfordian Award for services to the community in recognition of the amazing work it does, providing specialist physiotherapy for disabled people in the area.”

The money donated by The Old Rectory will be put to good use; it will buy feed for the horses which is becomingly increasingly expensive.

The stables will play host to the British Paralympic Team and their horses ahead of the 2012 games and the Arrow Riding Centre is currently trying to raise £300,000 to improve its facilities and bring them up to an Olympic standard.

The Old Rectory raised the money through various fundraising activities, including book sales, auctioning off a pushbike which was donated by a licensee at the centre, Abacus Nurseries, and a chilli plant growing competition amongst tenants.

Basepoint’s parent company, The ACT Foundation, is a leading UK grant-making charity, dedicated to improving the quality of life of those in need. As such, each of Basepoint’s 28 business centres across the South of England and the Midlands supports a local charity, and any funds which that charity raises are matched by The ACT Foundation – up to the value of £10,000.

The Old Rectory Business Centre is a refurbished Grade II Listed Building providing 24 small, furnished office units in a beautifully landscaped setting. The centre offers meeting and training rooms as well as virtual office solutions. The centre is situated at the junction of Springhead Road and Thames Way, half a mile north of the A2, and half a mile east of Ebbsfleet International and High Speed Rail Terminal which provides access to London in 8 minutes. For



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Basepoint is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the ACT Foundation, a leading grant-making charity dedicated to improving the quality of life of those in need. The ACT Foundation derives its income from a substantial and diversified property portfolio of which Basepoint is a major constituent.

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