

The Portchester Community mural is now displayed on the Centre wall. It consists of seven linked panels, 1.5m high and together nearly 11 m long.

The idea originated from the Keepsake Children's Centre Family Forum, a group of local parents who expressed a wish to brighten up the old rather dated building.

Working with the project leader Hana Moss to ideas developed by the Forum, the mural was designed and painted by a team of eight young Vinvolve volunteers (aged between 15 – 25).

The mural depicts some of the activities that take place in and around the community centre including: Keepsake Children's Centre, Andy Pandy Pre-school, The Portchester Gala, Paradise in Portchester (older persons club) Tennis, New Age Kurling and Bowls.

Drive into the Community Centre car park and you are hit by the vibrant colours and adventurous design.

The project contributed over 5 ½ weeks of volunteer time equating to over £1,200 in paid time

The Mural will be officially opened Mark Hoban MP next week.