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Middleton Grange to Support Local Voluntary Groups in 2010

Middleton Grange has always prided itself on its support of local charities and in 2010 it is proud to announce that in partnership with the Hartlepool Voluntary Development Agency it will pledge to offer free space within the shopping centre to a number of local voluntary groups.

Voluntary groups will be able to use the space within the busy Central Square to raise awareness about the work it does or to raise much needed funds. The Hartlepool Voluntary Development Group (HVDA) supports a network of local voluntary groups who bolster the community in many ways from family support, offering social activities to teenagers and days out for older people.

Peter Gowland, Project Development Officer from HVDA said, "So many people make a huge difference to the Hartlepool community by giving their time for free to work for the many voluntary groups in the area. To have the support of Middleton Grange and the free space it is offering will make a huge difference to many of our voluntary groups."

Mark Rycraft, centre manager, Middleton Grange added, "I wanted to put in place official and tangible support for local voluntary groups. The dedication that these groups exhibit is humbling so I'm happy to give them free space in Middleton Grange's Central Square to promote their work and perhaps raise much needed funds. Any groups that would like to take us up on the space should get in contact with us."

For more information about Middleton Grange visit www.middleton-grange.co.uk

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Editors Notes:

Middleton Grange Shopping Centre – www.middleton-grange.co.uk is open 7 days a week from 9.00am – 5.30pm Monday to Saturday. On Sunday the centre is open from 10.30am until 4.30pm and parking is FREE.

Middleton Grange Shopping Centre offers over 140 stores, including fashion, jewellery and homewares from Marks and Spencer, River Island, Primark, Argos and New Look. Located in the centre of Hartlepool, with a wide range of cafes and restaurants, Middleton Grange is the perfect location for all of your shopping needs.

Middleton Grange is easily accessible by car or using public transport as it is within walking distance of bus routes and the train station.

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