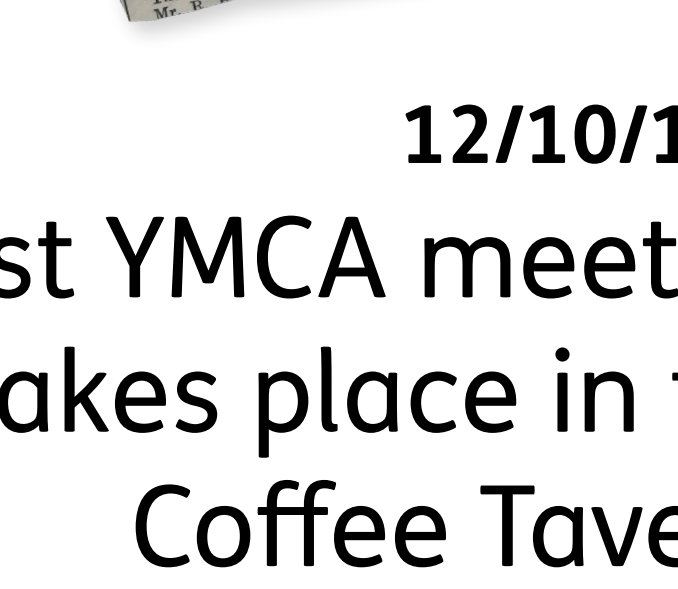




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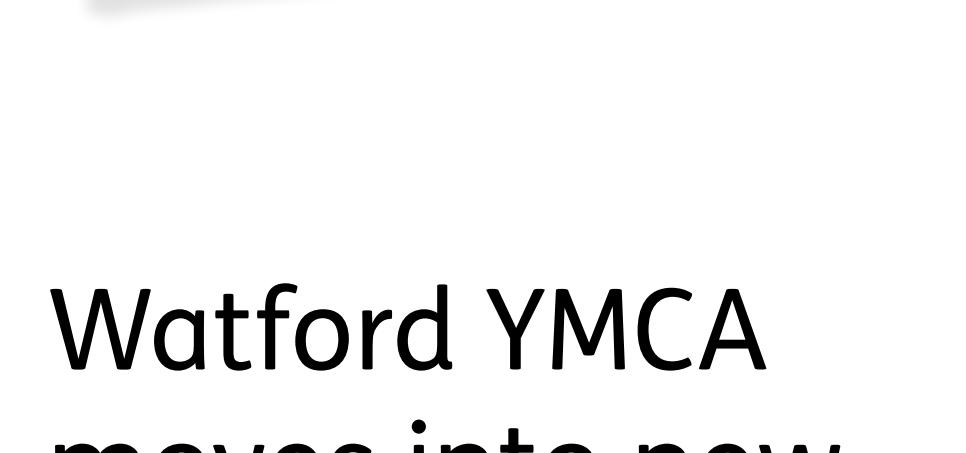
25/09/1886

Gathering at 101 High Street to 'consider the spiritual condition of the men of the town,' concluding that a YMCA should be formed'

1889

Watford YMCA begins sports programme with cricket match against Forest Gate YMCA

1886



Watford YMCA moves into new premises at 181 High St

1882

Sir George Williams visits Watford (he laid a foundation stone at Watford Congregational Church – demolished in the 1970's)

1903

WWI – YMCA supports troops with tea dances from a hut in Watford High street with help from local Churches

1918

1919

Apsley Lodge opens with outdoor games area, supported by auctioning of art from the Queen Mothers private collection

YMCA Red Triangle Club formed as place for 'recreation, amusement and the development of Christian manliness.'

1949

1962



1962 – Apsley Lodge demolished and new building opened by Lord Snowdon. It had a gym, coffee lounge and 84 rooms of accommodation.

1967

1/06/1967 Welwy Garden City YMCA opens Peartree Hostel

1967



21/02/2078

Charter House Watford opened by HRH The prince of Wales



1978

100th Anniversary celebrations

1986

1993

Bishop Stortford YMCA opens

High Wycombe YMCA opens

1994

1998

Charters Nursery opens

2008

12/11/1 Prime Minister Gordon Brown opens Children's Centre

2008

2014



Early Childhood Partnership formed

2017

One YMCA formed

2017

2022

Airplay comes under the YMCA umbrella



2023

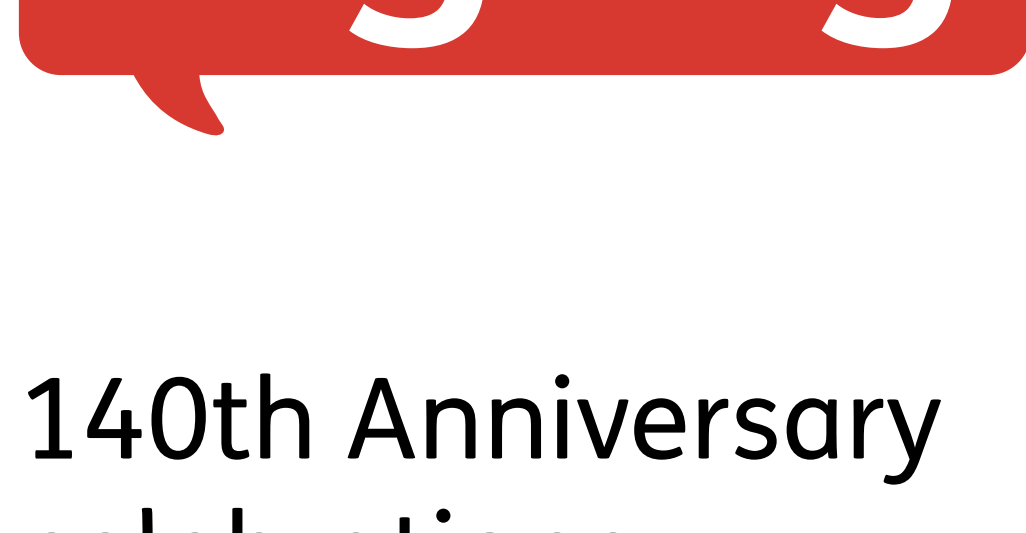
Signpost joins One YMCA



2023

2024

Dignify comes under the YMCA umbrella



2026

140th Anniversary celebrations

