

A Camerados Pop-Up Public Living Room is happening in the Potteries, starting with the Geek Retreat

From 1st March a new Public Living Room will be popping up at the Geek Retreat in Hanley.

Local people who are part of the Camerados movement are hoping to set up pop-up public living rooms in communities throughout the Potteries, starting at the Geek Retreat.

The Potteries Public Living Room will be open on Tuesday 1st March from 10am-4pm.

[Public Living Rooms](#) are free places to have a chat and a cuppa and meet new people. The Potteries Public Living Rooms will be the next to join the global network of Camerados Public Living Rooms. To find out more visit www.camerados.org



Pop-up public living room in York

Camerados is a growing movement of people from Baltimore to Blackpool who look out for each other in person and online. Anyone can be a camerado, it's a behaviour thing. Being a camerado is about how you live on a daily basis and it's based on [six principles](#) that help folk be alongside each other and get through tough times.

Camerados founder, Maff Potts believes that, *“The public realm is divided into two types of places: places that sell you stuff and places that fix you. What if there was an agenda-free, no outcomes place where you had permission to be rubbish? It’s amazing what happens when you come in without the intention of trying to fix people. People often have the answers themselves.”*

The first Public Living Room was set up in Sheffield in 2016. Since then folk have been setting them up in their communities across the UK and the world. From hospitals to universities, libraries to community centres, in cafes and even on the Brooklyn Bridge! Over this time, thousands of people have benefitted from connecting and looking out for each other.

