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| <p>Village Hall Working Party Committee meeting – VHWC</p> <p>10th October 2022 – 7.00pm – ‘Teams’, Ousden</p> <p>Attendees from the working party:</p> <p>Celia Holt (Chair)– CH</p> <p>Julie Pryke – JP</p> <p>Richard Hurrell – RH</p> <p>Christine Ingham – CI</p> <p>Mike Hole - MH</p> <p>John Gale – JG</p> <p>Attendees from the management committee:</p> <p>Jessamy Saltmarsh – JS</p> <p>Apologies</p> <p>Sophie Mason – SM</p> | | |
| <p>Minutes from previous meetings</p> <p>JG – CI, CH measured a smaller foot print hall on existing site of circa.8m x 8m (without a stage) and kitchen toilet area 8m x 4m to then discuss with Tom Marriott to determine an indicative cost based on per sqm- £2000 for a basic modular building and up to £4000 per sqm for a turnkey contract style modular building. An estimate has been suggested of between £3-400,000 - variation comes from the finishes inside and outside, main frame construction material and the internal equipment specification (kitchen/ toilets etc). To firm this up, we would need to meet with Tom to agree the finish details and required specifications.</p> <p>CH – The committee agree that we have little choice but to progress a smaller building (with possibility to extend in future) due to rising costs and limitations on fundraising potential. A narrower span/modular building is a possibility, MH circulated drawings of this potential smaller and modular build with an indicative cost.</p> <p>To facilitate a decision on best option, we will need to give thought to specifications required and request formal quotes to be submitted.</p> <p>There is a question mark over the principal of planning consent given that the proposal is smaller (therefore not like for like regarding size?) and the</p> | <p>To Action</p> | <p>Time Frame</p> |

need to remove the existing Hall before the new one can be erected on current site but felt be more appropriate given the current financial constraints and urgent need for a solution to an aging facility.

MH – presented the small hall design – 8 x 6m as probably the smallest we could go. Smallest toilet kitchen area MH suggests 2male / 2 female toilet / disabled toilet, kitchen as a minimum.

A lot of the cost is the large span of a hall, so splitting the toilet, kitchen area in to one smaller building and then building the separate hall with a joint concourse in the middle. The advantage of building two separate buildings, is that you can extend and modify the hall without having to shut down the toilet and kitchen facilities.

To give some presence and what we need, some external landscape came in to play. Taking into account what happens now and using the very popular pop up café, as an example, the kitchen would work well in the concourse with access to an external seating area which would tie in the pavilion (which would not need to be moved) and also a link to the hall for inclement weather. Screening allows some street frontage with planting.

The plan was well received by the committee.

Committee members made comments about the possibility to attach a marquee, canopy, and liked the flexibility of extending.

MH felt that a traditionally built method would be between £4-£500,000 plus the planting and landscape.

CH – we need to revisit the costs but based on previous estimates we should have enough funds to cover the cost to demolish the existing building but the rest of the money for the build would need to be fundraised. The advantage to the village would be a new downsized hall suitable for smaller events/gatherings, keeping the play area, car park and cricket pitch in the same location and the popular café /outdoor seating/dining area well accommodated. A smaller hall would mean however that bowls would not be viable – bowls length required 14.5m.

CI – Storage was queried, MH is suggesting a container and did not want to use part of the hall for storage as the cost for accommodating storage is then prohibitive but also looked out of proportion when included in the ancillary building. CH noted there are space saving seating solutions such as 75 folding chairs hanging on a 1mx 1.5 frame on wheels to provide seating indoor/outdoor due to reliance in summer months for larger gatherings. . Current outside furniture is in good condition but limited and heavy to move.

CH suggested the need clarity on storage requirement MH felt that we cost it as it is and then look at options in extending, bolting on storage, looking at a container. CH concerned about suitability of a container for certain items that would deteriorate due to absence of temperature and humidity control.

MH - with this design, in the future, if we wanted to extend the hall then the option may become available to separate part of a larger hall creating

further function space and an area that can be screened off for storage.

CH next steps

- JG – progress quote for the latest MH design, from Tom Marriott
- MH can send to his QS to see if he could cost it and determine options such as steel construction, timber frame etc.,

CH – Next we need to incorporate reviewed quotations into updated business plan and also to communicate with the villagers. We need a view from the planners about replacing the existing with a smaller hall. (JG has tried making contact with Mike Chester, unsuccessfully, JG will keep trying.)

MH suggested that the business plan should state why the smaller hall will be better for the village, the issue being having the sufficient funds before the old building is removed.

SM was not available to discuss the fundraising climate and likely appeal of latest proposal. CH will speak with SM.

CH-We will need to review new hire charge potential of the smaller but newer facility

Date of next meeting Monday 14th November 7pm

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