

Marden Parish Council

New Community Facilities Working Group (NCFWG) Meeting on
Monday 25 January at 19.30 in the Community Centre

Notes of the Meeting

Present: David Bennett (Chairman), Arthur Fraser, Sandra Gladwyn, Robin Brook, Geoff Nash, Dave Lloyd, Chris Wathen, Paula Barratt, and Stefka Glavcheva

In attendance: Alison Sutton, Parish Clerk. 2 members of public

1. **Apologies** – Jess Tidball.
2. **Presentation/discussion with last 2 architect firms** – Presentations from OKX and D Stainer-Hutchin architect firms.
3. **Open Forum** – Suggestion that wood on outside of a building would not last.
4. **Consider architects' presentations x5** – Agreed that all members of Group will consider their marking against the criteria for the next meeting. Noted that cost seems likely to be in excess of £1 mill. Once actual quotes in for meeting on 3 February, Group will decide on shortlist of 2 firms. Alison to arrange a meeting for Monday 15 February at 7.00 pm – see one architect at 7.00 and one at 8.30 and check if will charge fee for attending – then Group make recommendation to PC.
5. **Next steps** – Discussion on how to decide on amount to ask for from Big Lottery. Alison had phone call with adviser and Richard Timney, recommended to put together one side of A4 summary, once got costings, which adviser will take to team and ask for opinion on whether worth going for amount over £500k. Will mean delay but hopefully have answer by planned meeting on 15 February.

Alison been in contact with Scouting District Commissioner – scouting will not come back to Marden until a new venue is available and someone is willing to be Scout Leader. Very interested in coming to talk to Group. Alison to arrange for short meeting on Thursday 11 February 6.30-7.30 pm, just to meet Scouting DC.
6. **Next meetings** – Wednesday 3 February at 6.00-7.00 pm; Thursday 11 February 6.30-7.30 pm; Monday 15 February at 7.00 pm

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