

Marden Parish Council

New Community Facilities Working Group (NCFWG)
Workshop with User Groups
for the New Community Centre
on Wednesday 11 May at 19.00 in the Community Centre

Notes of the Meeting

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

Angela Sasso was welcomed a new member of the Working Group.

In attendance: Alison Sutton, Parish Clerk; Paul Neep and Emily Partridge from Architype

Apologies – Ann Simpson (representing the Gardeners' Club)

1. **Introductions** – David welcomed everyone to the workshop and introductions with groups being represented were made:
Hilary Jones and Trish Bartup – Brownies
Sue Price – Arts and Crafts
Catherine Gunby – Afternoon Whist
Alison Thomas – Guides
Sandra Watkins – History Society
Jean Price – Over 60s
Allison Hutchinson – Women's Institute
David Bennett – Tennis Club
Dave Lloyd and Jess Tidball – PCC
Other members of the Working Group
2. **Outline of the Workshop**
Paul explained that the aim of the workshop was to expand on the previous questionnaire to find out more detailed requirements for current and possible future groups and activities.
3. **General requirements for activities**
The workshop looked in detail at requirements for 2 groups/activities and representatives/group members completed fact-finding questionnaires for Architype to analyse. Various different pictures were displayed of halls and spaces within community centres and everyone was encouraged to give their views on what they liked and didn't like, so Architype can consider what might best suit the needs of people in Marden.
4. **Next steps** –
Architype will be analysing all the feedback from the workshop and the next meeting will start looking at results and what can be taken forward to a design.
David explained about the lottery process and where we are and representatives were given a handout on the likely lottery timetable. He encouraged everyone to come to meetings and particularly to the Community Consultation Event on 25 June and also to feedback to groups and organisations to increase the attendance at the event.

Next meetings – Thursday 19 May at 7.00 pm in Community Centre; Thursday 9 June at 7.00 pm – in St Mary's Church meeting room; Thursday 7 July at 7.00 pm in Community Centre; Saturday 25 June, 10.00-16.00 for Community Consultation Event in Community Centre.