

Marden Parish Council

New Community Facilities Working Group (NCFWG) Meeting
for the New Community Centre
on Monday 29 September at 19.00 in the Community Centre

Notes of the Meeting

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

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

1. **Apologies** – Jess Tidball, Angela Sasso and Stefka Glavcheva.
2. **Open Forum** – None.
3. **Update on advice re funding and discussions**
Alison contacted Lynda Wilcox at HALC and sent leases for review. Lynda's opinion as before, PC would not get a PWL to undertake work on current facility.
Alison contacted Dept of Communities and Local Government – advised that very unlikely to have a good enough business case to do work on current facility. For PWL for new build, DCLG would expect consultation to get agreement for repayment on precept to be very widespread, direct to parishioners, on website/boards and open meeting.
David had meeting with Rob Bartup, who expressed concerns about funding; options discussed in detail and Rob content with options for meeting on 17 October.
David and Robin had meeting with Maggi Newton and Paula Barratt re academy's position on clawback if MVT moves from current facility. Likely that Herefordshire Council would want to reclaim money from academy, which would be unaffordable and probably lead to school closing. Maggi checking position with lawyers who advised on lease with HC, could the academy claim against them for bad advice.
New option discussed – hybrid option of keeping current facility – Pre-school use up to 6.00 pm weekdays in term-time, community could use after that and keep sports hall use – and building 3B option new build to give community hall and day time use for community.
Apart from Arthur Fraser, all agreed hybrid as best option.
4. **Display for consultation** –
Further amendments made and new sheets re hybrid option agreed – Alison will insert into presentation and David will check final display.
Noted that to put higher roof for sports onto 3B hall would cost in region of another £30k minimum.
Recommendation of hybrid option in presentation agreed by everyone except Arthur.
5. **Next steps** -
Finalise presentation and attend meeting.
6. **News and Views copy for October copy date (20.9.16)** –
Alison to do as write-up from meeting on 17 October.
7. **Next meeting** – Thursday 17 November at 7.00 pm in Community Centre.