

Marden Parish Council

New Community Facilities Working Group (NCFWG) Meeting
for the New Community Centre
on Thursday 2 November at 19.30 in Community Centre

Notes of the Meeting

Present: David Bennett (Chairman), Sandra Gladwyn, Jenny Larkham, Robin Brook and Chris Wathen.

In attendance: Alison Sutton, Parish Clerk.

- 1. Apologies –** Paula Barrett, Jess Tidball, Angela Sasso and Dave Lloyd.
- 2. Open Forum –** None.
- 3. Feedback from Village Assets seminar and implications for future –**
Various people from PC, MVT and church attended recent seminar about Village Assets. Main messages are: there will be no lottery funding for new build of parish halls/community centres in Herefordshire in near to mid-term; Herefordshire had very high percentage of West Midlands funding in recent years, no chance of more big funding for long time if ever; need to make best use of parish assets that already have – community centre, church and any other suitable venue; some potential for small grants but main funding from Public Works Loan to PC.
- 4. Way forward and report to PC –** Noted PC can only act as facilitator and getting finance. Agreed need more Trustees from MVT, members of PCC and parishioners on NCF working group, need representatives all assets to work together.
PC meeting in November – explain plan of action for first stage of hub, expand on what agreed at last PC meeting – MVT asking what support there is in community for work on community centre, with questionnaire on Dec/Jan News and Views; once analysed, get full costs and come back to PC.
- 5. Date for PC consultation and event –** Agreed that need MVT consultation first. New date Saturday 10 February 12-4, set up/pack down 11-5.
- 6. Next steps –**
Agreed to get cost comparison for local and Hereford Pre-schools.
Robin speak to Dave Tristram on behalf of MVT about grant opportunities
- 7. News and Views copy for December/January copy date (20.11.17) –** Alison draft, David check – explanation of 2-stage consultation, new date for PC event.
- 8. Next meetings –** Thursday 4 January 2018 and Thursday 18 January at 7.30 pm in Community Centre. Sandra's apologies for 4 January.

Alison Sutton – Parish Clerk

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