

Community Consultation – Future of HOOE VILLAGE HALL

Index to Documents you might need

The website www.hooe-pc.gov.uk/village-hall-project shows documents in the order of latest first; this will help identify where key information is available for the two options remaining.

Please note, on 12th Jan 2024 the council passed a motion to reject the option of a new build village hall – so you might wish to ignore any references to that option in any documents you read – it is NOT for consideration in this consultation.

Key Documents

1.0 Appraisal of options report for Hooe Village Hall 27.04.2023

First key report authored by Cllr. Crawhurst detailing all the historical information known to the council at that time, including some estimated costs for initial renovation requirements, but with limited discussion on the Close and Sell option.

2.0 Notes on the meeting with Wealden District council Planning on 22.03.2023

Comments from planning officers regarding what would be allowed on existing Village Hall site if it were sold for re-development.

4.0 Village Hall Project Committee Feb24 Briefing for councillors 04.01.2024

Second key report authored by Cllr. Leonard bringing further information together not previously covered in 1.0. Appendix 1 contains detailed financial and regulatory discussion including the long-term costs implications for taxpayers of Hooe. Appendix 2 contains case studies of other local village halls, who pays for them, their use and hiring costs including best known projections for future usage of Hooe Village hall at that time. Extensive discussion on the Close and Sell option (labelled in this report as Disposal).

4.02 Sheppard Survey Report Village Hall Refurbishment

This is the latest detailed survey report carried out on the existing hall in September 2019 and includes estimated costs for work that may be required to restore the building for long-term use. For the avoidance of doubt, costs in this report are over 4 ½ years old at this time.

5.10 & 5.11 Consultation - Parish News article April 24 / Letter and Summary mailed out

This is the announcement and content of the community postal consultation and timescales.

5.02 & 5.03 Minutes of the Village Hall Project Committee

These minutes contain a lot of detailed questions and answers and council debate regarding the decision not to go ahead with a new-build and pursue a consultation for the remaining two options.