

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

You told us during the Neighbourhood Plan consultations that you were concerned about:



Speed and volume of traffic on all roads.
Obstruction of pavements by parked cars.



So what are we doing about it !

- ⇒ Following the adoption of the Neighbourhood Plan in July 2016, the Parish Council formed a working group to look at various traffic calming measures that might be possible in the village.
- ⇒ These traffic management ideas have been developed in discussion with a Traffic Consultant and WSCC Highways to ensure that traffic regulations are considered.
- ⇒ When new houses are built in the village, there will be some infrastructure funding made available to the Parish Council which can be used for traffic calming schemes.
- ⇒ Funding will be limited and we will not be able to achieve all, but we can do something.
- ⇒ We are asking you to look at the possibilities and provide your feedback by scoring each idea.
- ⇒ Estimated costs will be provided for guidance only. The ideas have not been accurately costed and may cost more!
- ⇒ Your thoughts and scoring will then be used by the Parish Council as a guide for future projects.

COME ALONG TO THE EVENT AND COMMENT ON ALL THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT IDEAS AS WELL AS PLANS FOR THE VILLAGE HALL AND SPORTS PAVILION.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU.

Important Village Consultation

**Saturday 11th February 2017
10.00 am to 4.00 pm
Village Hall**

- ⇒ Traffic Management
- ⇒ Village Hall Modernisation
- ⇒ New Sports Pavilion

SEE THE IDEAS & HAVE YOUR SAY

**Members of the Parish Council,
Village Hall Committee and Sports Association
will be on hand
to answer your questions.**

**Read on for further explanation of
the different proposals.**

TIME TO BREATHE NEW LIFE INTO THE VILLAGE HALL

As many of you will know already, we have been preparing plans for a major improvement programme for the facilities at the Village Hall. Our plans have been created in response to feedback received over recent years from a variety of Hall Users as well as trying to reflect the priorities and aspirations set out in our Neighbourhood Plan. As noted in the Action Plan at the end of the Neighbourhood Plan, it is important that the Hall continues to offer facilities that reflect the growing and changing needs of our community.

The most common points raised by Users suggest that improvements need to be made in the following areas:

- ◆ safer access across the different levels inside the Hall
- ◆ modernised and improved toilet and washing facilities
- ◆ improved kitchen design and updated equipment
- ◆ more storage space and more flexible storage solutions

We remain committed to the principle that the community must help to shape any plans and therefore the upcoming community consultation on 11th February will be a key stage for confirming the wishes of the community which the project team will do its utmost to steer through the Planning and Heritage requirements of CDC.

You will be able to review the plans at the Hall from which you will see that there are 3 main areas of proposed change:

- ◆ At the west end the floor level will be raised to match that of the main hall thus providing level internal access to all key amenities. The kitchen will be relocated to the east end adjacent to the re-designed servery.
- ◆ The roof level above the west end will need to be raised to accommodate the raised floor and this will enable an extended reception area with stairs to an upper level where there will be a new meeting room (above the current Vine Room) and other storage and office space above the main hall. Modern toilets and showers will be provided on the ground floor in the space currently occupied by the Vine Room and toilets.
- ◆ At the east end, we intend to provide a single storey extension across the car park to where the current wooden shed stands. This will accommodate a new larger kitchen adjacent to the servery, a unisex toilet/shower and a larger storage area. The extension will be accessed from a new small vestibule located outside the current emergency exit door of the hall with an internal ramp up to the kitchen, servery and storage area.
- ◆ The Main Hall will remain relatively unchanged – the fixed stage will be replaced by portable staging which can be rolled in and out as required. New more secure doors will be installed together with some updating of the décor and lighting.
- ◆ The Committee Room will also be relatively unchanged although a new entrance/exit door will be installed to provide direct access to the room from the church path, thus enabling access without disturbing users in other parts of the Hall.

These are exciting times for the Hall so do please come along; we shall be happy to answer any questions and receive any ideas from the community.

EXCITING PLANS FOR THE SPORTS PAVILION

The first sports pavilion was built on the Green in 1939 in a position somewhat south of its current location where it was rebuilt in the late 1960s. While it has provided a home for Cricket, Football, Stoolball and Touch Rugby (latterly) for many years, its facilities fall short of modern requirements especially in respect of disabled access and facilities for separation of changing facilities for different genders and ages. Its dated construction is expensive to maintain and it does not do its prime location justice. Over the last 20 years there have been several initiatives to improve the facilities and the Sports Association is in receipt of a generous bequest to help with this.

Through the four affiliated clubs the Sports Association has around 250 playing members and about 30 social members. As well as providing facilities for members it provides the infrastructure for village events such as the school fete, village fete and balloon festival. In all, current footfall across a year is in excess of 20,000 people. While revenue from membership goes some way towards the running costs and insurance; it largely depends on bar revenue to operate for the benefit of the clubs and wider village.

In 2013 we undertook a consultation exercise with members to understand what they felt the pavilion should provide and how this should be achieved. We also engaged with the Parish Council to understand how our ideas would fit with the wider community. Combining these results with the current legal requirements for sports facilities, it was clear that we needed at least an extra 900ft² - the equivalent of extending the existing Pavilion 12ft to the rear. An extension to the rear was our first consideration but it would be tricky to do this other than with a flat roof further worsening the appearance of the building and not helping with the ongoing costs of maintenance of an old building so we opted to rebuild.

Over the last 2.5 years we've continued to work with the Parish Council and Chichester District Council to get to a point where we have an inspiring design that provides for the current and future needs of our growing community. We very much see it as a sports hub for the village and are keen that it attracts wider membership through a more diverse range of sports. We have started raising funds and last year's Run Wisborough was the first major event in that regard – this year's event is on May the 7th.

We are excited by the opportunity to show our plans to the village on the 11th of February and hope to see you all there.

WISBOROUGH GREEN SPORTS ASSOCIATION

