

PADDOCK WOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE BOARD
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MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY CENTRE BOARD on Monday 15th November 2016, at The Day Centre, Commercial Road, Paddock Wood Kent, TN12 6DP at 6 pm.

BOARD MEMBERS: Cllrs Elizabeth Thomas, Chairman

David Henshaw,

APOLOGY: Cllr Derek Boyle

(Non voting members) Borough Cllr Lynne Weatherly (Portfolio member for Communities & Wellbeing, TWBC)
Mr Kevin Hetherington (Head of Customers & Communities, TWBC)
Mrs Nichola Reay, (PWTC), Mr Jonathan White (KCC/TWBC), Mr Andy Mackie (NP Group)

CCB16 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 26th September 2016 were approved.

CCB17 UPDATE ON THE CURRENT POSITION

The consultation leaflet had been sent to the printers for settings. It was agreed that the layout needed revising.

NR & JW will meet with Elysian Finance on Monday to discuss the VAT position. A further two quotes would be sought before a consultant was appointed.

Paddock Wood Town Council has agreed in principle that it would be willing to take out a PWLB up to £1.5 m to fund the project.

It has also agreed to release £10,000 to allow work to progress. Costs for the surveys etc have been requested.

CCB18 BUSINESS PLAN

The business plan allows for a 300 seater hall which could be used as a theatre. Mascalls School have advised that they are looking create a 350 auditorium which could be available for community use. This would free up additional space in the Community Centre, if a community use agreement could be drawn up. Further information would be required before this was progressed.

CCB19

SECTION 106 UPDATE

It was hoped that the government would agree to fund both the school and the highway improvements. A decision was expected shortly. If both were funded a further £6m would be left unallocated which meant additional funds could be requested for the community centre.

CCB20

WEBSITE

Once they are approved the board minutes will appear on a separate page on the Town Council website, redacted if necessary. It was agreed that the minutes and the governance documents could be uploaded onto the website.

CCB21

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Members discussed the following issues for further consideration:

Letting the kitchen to a professional caterer would provide an income

ET would approach the Masonic Hall committee who operated a similar system to see how it worked.

The location of the hall on the field – it would encroach onto the cricket outfield

The location of the tennis courts in relation to the hall and the possible costs of re-locating them to another site

CCB22

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To be agreed.

The meeting closed at 7 pm

CHAIRMAN