

Village Hall Modernisation Project Update Report for Councillors PC Meeting 16th September 2024

Brilliant News received from ESC District Infrastructure Panel the Village Hall Modernisation Project has been awarded **SUBSTANCIAL FUNDING** towards the cost of halls modernisation

ESC has requested that they are consulted well in advanced of any press releases relating to the project funding allocation and the need to ensure the involvement of Key Councillors at any opening events or public promotions relating to the Village Hall Modernisation Project

ESC would likely wish to erect a small advertising placard in relation to the CIL award once the project is commencing

Parish Council and Village Hall CIO Trustees take this opportunity to Thank ESC Grants Panel for the very generous funding, with special Thanks to ESC Councillor Sally Noble and Communities Officer Sam Kenward for their continued support of the Village Hall Project

Village Hall Joint Modernisation Working Group continue to explore Grant Funding opportunities and have most recently applied for grant funding from sources/organisations below

Stage 1 Lottery Fund

Sizewell C Community Fund

Joint Working Group Team are also in process of applying for Grant Funding from funding sources below

CAS Community Action Suffolk

Rural Community Hub Fund

Prior to any further Hall Architectural Design Plans being developed or enhanced we await Pe-Planning Approval Advice from ESC Planning Office response expected very soon

Joint Working Group Team continue work with local Contractors and specialist to develop pre-design options and obtain provisional costings for Village Hall Building Civil & Structural Design adaptions/changes and Green Energy Technologies for PV Solar Panels, Air Source Heat Pumps & Heat Recovery Systems for heating and ventilation of Hall

Joint Modernisation Working Group attended the Summer Market at the Parish Council Gazebo who provided Village Hall Modernisation Plans for Public Consultation with many members of the public viewing plans, modernisation team members were on hand to answer questions and queries, list of public interaction questions was formulated for team's review

CIIr John Horsnell

13th September 2024