

**Meeting 10 of the New Village Hall Working Group  
Held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2022 at 7.30pm at Hailey Village Hall**

**Present:** Ann Gibson, Michael Drew, Graham Knaggs (Chair), Judith Knaggs, Phil Sullivan, Martin Crow, Caryl Lansley, Giles Doland

**Apologies:**

**This meeting was held in camera to facilitate a discussion on the architect companies. Bids have been received from three companies which contain information that is commercially sensitive. The information in these documents should not be made publicly available.**

**Discussion on the three Architect Companies**

Architect B was the only one who submitted a sketch plan but it was a two-storey building with a lift (which was instantly rejected as the new building will not be staffed). Also the kitchen was remote from the hall, storage space was upstairs and their declaration on thermal mass was simply wrong.

Architect A refused to submit a sketch plan, arguing that it was a valuable piece of their intellectual property.

Architect C submitted lots of examples of Village and Community Halls that they have been involved with.

The critique presented by Architect C was welcomed as they did not blindly accept everything in our brief. Architect B used the brief blindly and Architect A commented that some of our spaces were very generous for space.

Architects A and B put forward Oxford colleges, schools or the military sports facilities as relevant experiences whereas Architect C had numerous examples of new and refurbished Village Halls.

**Recommendation**

The meeting agreed that Architect C – SWA Architects of Eynsham – should be recommended to the Parish Council as the architect to take us forward.

**General discussion**

A general discussion took place about next steps leading to consultation on the four possible options - no recommendations were made.

**Action**

Andy Smith agreed to issue a document, before the next meeting, aimed at providing the basis for a consultation document through a number of headings.

**Next Meeting**

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> August at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

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