

The WiNSpace News

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STOP PRESS.....We have great news to tell you about!

We said in our issue 2 that we had applied for a National Grid Grant. We have just heard that the grant application has been successful and the WCA will be receiving a grant of £20,000 to go towards our full planning application costs. The Trustees had already agreed that we should move to the next design phase, so we have now formally instructed our Architects to start work on this.



We have sent our thanks to National Grid for their generous support.

What happens now?

The first thing which will be tackled is the layout of the internal spaces, using the feedback we have received. However, even more exciting than that, the Architects will be starting to design the outside appearance and examine the insulation levels and materials needed to ensure our Eco credentials are high. As this comes together, we will get the communication working well to ensure that as many parishioners as possible are aware of what is going and can feedback comments. Once we have got to a good point in the design we will also arrange a virtual meeting to allow you to provide additional feedback.



What happened while we were waiting?

While we were waiting for the National Grid grant news to come through, we moved forward with more of the surveys that needed to be completed.

These included a further 'static' bat survey and an update to the Ecological survey. We have also had some work done looking at the surrounding ground levels, to ensure we can mitigate the risk of flooding in the area of the new building. You may have also noticed a new water main being fitted in the carpark. This was actually essential maintenance as we have had 3 water leaks during the last 9 months, so a new water main had to be laid but we have fitted a 'large' one to ensure we have a good supply for the new building.

Communication

To ensure everyone understands what we are doing and why, communication is going to be critical. During the early stages of this project we had a website which contained the initial design ideas and Question and Answer pages. As we have moved on, this website has become out of date and we are now in the process of updating it. We hope to link this with our facebook page so we can more easily maintain a good flow of up to date news. You can even give us a few 😊 and 👍 if you want. Watch out for more on this shortly



Help Needed: Are you good at managing projects, have ideas on raising money or can help with communication, just get in touch

In the next Issue: Shortly, the Architects will have revised the room layout and will have explored possible outside materials, so there will be even more to talk about
Watch out for a possible public meeting and Website re-launch

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