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Building WiNSpace

WINSCOMBE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION









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Hello Again from WiNSpace



We hope you are as excited as we are to see the build progressing – it remains on schedule with a soft opening expected in November, and full regular bookings slots soon to be released, for January 2026 onwards. Behind the scenes, further good news too:

- ❖ Grants of £12,000 from Bristol Airport and £15,000 from a Local Charitable Foundation, together with further Individual Donations totalling just under £10,000, means our shortfall for the fit-out is now down to £60,000. We also thank local groups, Wincombe Community Choir, Winscombe Horticultural Society, Winscombe and District Bridge Club and many individuals who have recently donated.
- ❖ Reducing the Shortfall: We are hopeful identified savings in build costs will further reduce the shortfall to about £30,000 and will let you know as and when this becomes more certain.
- **EV -charging points** are now available at the back of the Old School. Community pricing applies, but we ask during the build, whilst carparking is restricted, that charging is restricted to users of the buildings only.

What's next?

- Funding: . We are preparing a "wishlist" for the fitout and will be launching a Final Push Campaign for donations. Look out in the coming weeks
- Come and Try it: During November and December we want to encourage new users to the Centre and will be offering Free "come and try it sessions". So if you have an idea for a new group, or are an existing user and want to attract new members, let us know
- Name that building: Once the new build is complete,- it and the Old School building will need a name. Get your creative juices going, as we will be asking for your ideas soon.
- ❖ Landscape: We are currently developing plans to enhance our outdoor space and improve links to the Millenium Green. This will involve tree and flower meadow planting plus bird and bat box installation to increase our bio-diversity. We are even starting an Ecology Group to facilitate and extend this.

Our Thanks to YOU

As a thank you for all your support, and putting up with the disruption of the build, if you would like to arrange a fundraiser, either for your own organisation or a recognised Charity, let us know. We will help you, and subject to availability, will be offering **Free Hire**, to support your event, during our first few months of opening.

WiNSpace Goes Green

As you only build a community Centre once, so we are making it as environmentally sustainable as possible. We have heat pumps, heat recovery ventilation, high levels of insulation and air tightness and LED lights. On our roof, we have solar panels to generate 30,000kWh of clean energy. All this has provided a provisional EPC 'A' rated building, which will be efficient to run.

What gets completed in May

In May we will be half-way through the work. So if the weather holds; by June the ground floor walls, first floor timber frame and roof will be completed – fingers crossed

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