



NEW ROMNEY TOWN COUNCIL

FULL COUNCIL MEETING 8th JULY 2019

CAPITAL PROJECTS REPORT – Proposed Community Hall and Sports Pavilion

This is a summary of recent progress made in relation to the proposed Community Hall and Sports Pavilion Project:

- 1, The Planning Application is still in the system and consultation responses are being reviewed. We have been allocated a new Planning Officer to oversee it. He has now been fully briefed by our Planning Consultants – Hume Consultancy.
 2. Discussion has taken place with our Project Manager regarding potential construction procurement options with the aim to minimise any risk of increase in the project costs. To that end, it is likely that we will pursue the 'Design and Build' option which gives greater surety by fixing the price at tender stage.
 3. Cllr Thomas and I met with representatives of the Roger De Haan Charitable Trust to discuss our application. It is likely that our application will go before Trustees in November and we will be working on updating the content of the application over the next few weeks
 4. We have undertaken further research into funding options. Cllr Thomas will lead on the Sports England application, and I have contacted the Colyer Fergusson Trust. The Chief Executive of the Trust will discuss the project with Trustees at their next meeting.
 5. Cllr Thomas joined me for a meeting with a consultant who is working with the Shepway Sports Trust. We discussed a project that they hope to deliver across the District with a potential pilot in New Romney. In the longer term they are keen to use the proposed Community Hall and Sports Pavilion as their main outreach centre outside of Folkestone 3 Hills Sports Centre where they are based which is good news for the area.
- Councillor Patricia Rolfe

8th July 2019

Cllr Patricia Rolfe - Chairman of the Community Hall and Sports Pavilion Project Steering Group

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