

HIGHAM COMMUNITY PAVILION PROJECT

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As a supporter of the Project, we wanted to update you on what's happened so far and give you an outline of the plans for the next few months.

Over the last 18 months the Parish Council has been exploring ways to progress the works on the Pavilion building and to ensure that the village benefits from a new community facility.

We hope that this fantastic project, that Joanne Raff started in 2015, will be completed over the next 8 to 12 months. A Pavilion Management Committee has been formed to manage the Project. Work on applying for Charitable status is now underway.

The Pavilion building was in a poor state and through the fundraising events, donations and grants which Joanne organised, a start was made on the mammoth task of repairing, renovating and upgrading the facility. Joanne worked tirelessly to completely renovate the main room of the building - with new windows and doors, new ceiling and lighting.

Work has continued over several years to improve the garden and outdoor areas - many thanks to our Village Garden Volunteers who have weeded and watered through all kinds of weather.

Further works are needed and these are now being costed and planned, including:

- Upgrading the kitchen and the toilets
- Improving access – ramp from the Fire Exit
- Installing new flooring throughout the building
- Improving energy efficiency through better insulation and installing a new heating system

Plans are also being developed to set up a booking system and to promote the facility for local organisations and individuals to use.

When the Pavilion Management Committee was set up in April 2018, the balance of the funds raised by Joanne was transferred to their new Bank Account. This was a sum of £19221.39. Since then further money has been raised and new donations have been received, bringing our balance to £22231.88

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