

# Shutford gains funds for new village hall

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**After tireless fundraising Shutford has finally raised enough money to replace its dilapidated village hall.**

The current village hall was opened in 1954 but has now reached the end of its working life.

The final injection of funds was made possible due to the success of June's Shutford Summer Festival.

Now in its third year, the festival raised just under £7,000, a portion of which went towards the village hall rebuilding project.

Work on the new hall will take place in two stages; phase 1 will begin in early September and will result in the completion of the building's structure. Phase 2 will follow with villagers donating their time and skills to complete a village hall they can be proud of.



**Shutford residents stand outside the outdated and dilapidated village hall that will soon be replaced**

Support for the hall has also been given by John Nicholls Trading Ltd who will supply materials at cost. Kris Winters, director of trading at John Nicholls said: "We strongly believe in supporting

the local community that have supported us throughout our 50 years of trading in Banbury and the surrounding villages."

Roger Bancroft, chairman of Shutford Village Hall said: "Our committee has worked

tirelessly to bring this project to fruition and we are grateful to our benefactors who have donated an amazing amount of money and to the generosity, support and help being received from the community."