

# Shutford Village Hall

What exciting times in Shutford! As you will have heard already we reached our build target of **£166,065** to enable us to begin the rebuilding of our new village hall. (This was a reduced cost due to certain design elements of the build being changed and of course that the village will finish off the internals of the hall). In addition, Mike Finch (Xpyex UK) has generously agreed to waterproof the foundations using his high-tech damp proofing technique which made significant savings on Phase 1. We were able to reach Phase 1 target by the following sums of monies raised:

- **Benefactors = £100,000**
- **Donations from the village = £33,043**
- **Grant Aid received = £5,000 (Banbury Charities)**
- **Gift Aid = £6,666**
- **Available Village Hall Funds = £24,000**

**TOTAL = £168,709\***

\*This leaves us with a little left over if not used for Phase 1 to go towards Phase 2.

**This has been an amazing journey and we thank all those who have been involved with the project along the way, especially our benefactors and those who have pledged both monies and their support for the project.**

We are grateful to those who came along and moved the hall contents so swiftly into safe storage. Following the clearance of the hall, our contractors, Genesis, Gloucester based builders, started on the site with all precautions in place to ensure the site area is kept safe.

During the build period, which is approximately 16 weeks, we will announce dates for villagers to come onto the site to view the progress of the rebuild. Please could we ask that only on these dates you approach the build site, this is for your own safety and also for the builders to progress as per their schedule with the project. Any traffic changes on Banbury Hill during the initial build period will be notified well in advance, with signage and notices for everyone to see.

Regular updates regarding the build will be available both on the village website **[www.shutfordvillage.com](http://www.shutfordvillage.com)** and also through the Shutford News. If anyone wants to raise any relevant questions or queries during the build please contact us by emailing: [shutfordVHC@gmail.com](mailto:shutfordVHC@gmail.com).

## **Phase 2 - Village Pledge Target £20k**

You may recall Phase 2 is to complete the internals of the village hall i.e., heating, plasterboard, painting, kitchen, sanitary ware etc. We are grateful to John Nicholls Builders Merchants who have generously offered to supply materials for Phase 2 at cost. Together with an offer from Heaven & Stubbs to help with kitchen equipment and Trilux re lighting for the main hall. We are extremely grateful to all who have come forward at this stage for Phase 2.

We are in the process of following up with the above companies to finalise the Phase 2 budget together with a heating proposal, with expert advice from Ross Wakelin.

Members of the Village Hall Committee have also been busy applying for grants which were not applicable to Phase 1 only to Phase 2, i.e. kitting out of the hall, further updates to follow on this progress. Therefore the breakdown currently for Phase 2 is as follows:

- **TOE2 = £5,000\***
- **Village pledge = £ 250**

**\* Trust for Oxfordshire's Environment. This grant is provisional and conditional at the time of this edition going to press.**

For those who haven't pledged already there is still the opportunity to be part of this amazing project.

**Simply send your pledges into Christine Yarborough email:  
[clematis0902@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:clematis0902@yahoo.co.uk)**

Pledges can be anything from £100 up to £1,000. Remember to confirm if you are able to gift aid your donation.\*

\*The village hall is a registered charity (No. 304364) and can claim gift aid from donors who are UK tax payers, so if you are in this category, we will issue you a gift aid form, which will enable our charity to supplement your donation by 25% from HMRC, e.g. a gift of £1,000 generates a further £250 from HMRC.

Finally, if you haven't already, why not join the build team?

We plan to bring together villagers to help finish off the internal part of the building. We already have offers from a number of villagers lending their support and expertise, but now is your chance to join the team. If you are in the trade or a keen DIYer and can help us fit out the new build then let us know by emailing [shutfordVHC@gmail.com](mailto:shutfordVHC@gmail.com).

**Once again thank you to the village for supporting this project... we look forward to sharing the progress with you.**

**Can anyone help design our branding  
for the new Shutford Village Hall?**

We are looking for a logo for our new Village Hall the brief is as follows:

- The logo should represent the look and feel of our new village hall
- Modern, a community spirit, a place where people of all ages are welcome to enjoy the facilities
- Incorporate a tag line, Shutford Village Hall
- It would need to be useable both in mono and colour, print and online, scalable

**Please email us: [shutfordvhc@gmail.com](mailto:shutfordvhc@gmail.com) with your designs before 31 October.**

**The chosen design will be announced in the next Shutford News out end of November. Thank you.**