

# Project Refurb – Community Consultation Workshop 26 January 2020

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### WORKSHOP INTRODUCTION

Parishioners were either personally invited to the meeting or came as a result of seeing the meeting advertised in the parish magazine and online. The list of participants is provided below.



The meeting started with a presentation by Tom Wilson, Chairman of the Church Roof Refurbishment Committee on the current stage of the finances, the problems surrounding the leaking roof and the need to raise £200k to repair it. He also explained that the intention was to build up £50k in the fabric fund to ensure adequate finance is available to maintain the building and grounds in future.

To raise this sum of money will require finance from major funding sources such as the National Heritage Lottery Fund. This in turn will require clear evidence of community engagement and the importance of the heritage aspect of the church. This need for community engagement provides an opportunity for the community to give their ideas on secular uses of the church on a regular basis, beyond the weekly services. These uses have to be compatible with it being a church.

### WORKSHOP PROCESS AND OUTPUT

Charles Eyre, who is responsible for community engagement, then outlined the workshop program that would allow all participants to give their ideas on non-religious uses of the church and then to rank these in order of preference for the PCC.



Participants divided themselves up into 5 groups and each group brainstormed any and every idea they could think of that should be considered. At the end each group was asked to bring forward their best 4 ideas.

The workshop then had a plenary session at which the ideas were discussed and fleshed out.

The result was the recording of some 70 ideas that participants wish to consider.

The ideas ranged across the following potential **Use Groups**:

1. **Festivals and events,**
2. **Services to the community,**
3. **Food and the community,**
4. **Wellbeing**
5. **Fundraising** – even through many of the above could also present fundraising opportunities.
6. **Supporting Services** - Participants identified a number of issues relating to layout and services that would need to be taken into consideration.

All the participants' individual ideas have been ordered to reflect the above Use Groups 1-6:

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Propositions and Ideas	Use Group	iY
Concert		1
musical entertainment		1
Events - religious and secular		1
events religious and non religious		1
regular concert : jazz band, rock, local choirs etc plus test		1
Valley brass closest moved from pub to church		1
Music concerts all genres		1
antiques fairs and sales		1
more concerts in church classical otherwise		1
music concert or genres		1
concert series like stockbridge		1
art exhibitions		1
concert talks and events		1
concert's		1
advent fair		1
passion play		1
Choral Society annual concert		1
church for annual talks and concerts		1
musical concert's all genres		1
Military Wives type concert's		1
set up upper Clatford choir club		1
set up Upper Clatford choir		1
satirical fundraising events		1

Propositions and Ideas	Use Group	iY
silver surface club - monthly clinics- help /online advice and		2
community events /brunches/ dinners and toddlers		2
technology drop in younger ones helping older ones		2
Advice sessions on use of Internet and mobile phones		2
conservation to bring youngsters in		2
Link other Village events with church exhibitions (e.g. Jazz + Flower Festival)		2
Running drop in groups e.g. genealogy for silver surfers		2
Internet hot desk and outteridge for services. activities for under privileged children ?? Ikniel		2
youth groups (e.g. brownies and scouts)		2
space for band practice		2
encourage younger people to visit the building		2
courses like art and cooking		2
Well being days once a month		2
nature walks		2
outreach to local schools		2
centre for nature walks around village		2
exercise and dance groups for all ages		2
grow toddler group		2
genealogy group		2
computer club		2
heritage club		2
silver surfers with local volunteer help		2
eco hub including the water Meadows		2
history booklet well designed for children		2

Propositions and Ideas	Use Group	iY
craft groups well being courses such as yoga in cookery		3
dinners in the church		3
drop in sessions - silver serving coffee /tea mornings and community help sessions		3
monthly tea and coffee mornings		3
cheese and wine Christmas market		3
cookery and craft courses		3
Group competitions - like bake off's and music competitions		3
coffee club		3
regular coffee and Tea mornings for older people		3
wine tasting events		3
wine tasting supper club and pudding club		3

Propositions and Ideas	Use Group	iY
Well being days - nutrition /exercise /weight management /mindfulness /etc		4
use space for well being groups		4
Retreats for well being		4

Propositions and Ideas	Use Group	iY
Raising money to replace pews with new light easy to move seating - enables more activities within the church space		6
use of space internal and external for various events - be imaginative what about weddings		6
Business hub (needs Internet )		6
Internet to promote the possibilities		6
Internet connection live broadcast of events		6
Internet		6
Internet and web casts in church		6
Internet webcams and business hub		6

Propositions and Ideas	Use Group	iY
Meadow room - take bookings village Hall can't accommodate		5

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Finally, each participant was asked to bring forward their preferred 4 ideas which they ranked as **Option 1 → Option 4**. We have also analysed the ideas based on this ranking by the participants in their individual selections at final step. This should reflect the relative importance of the different ideas to individuals and this combined with the frequency with which they are proposed is a good indicator of the priorities the workshop participants had as a result of the debate.

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silver surface club - monthly clinics- help /online advice and	1
community events /brunches/ dinners and toddlers	1
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conservation to bring youngsters in	1
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art exhibitions	2
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nature walks	2
outreach to local schools	2
centre for nature walks around village	2
drop in sessions - silver serving coffee /tea mornings and community help sessions	2
monthly tea and coffee mornings	2
cheese and wine Christmas market	2
Internet connection live broadcast of events	2

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passion play	3
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genealogy group	3
cookery and craft courses	3
Group competitions - like bake off's and music competitions	3
coffee club	3
use space for well being groups	3
Internet	3
Internet and web casts in church	3

Propositions and Ideas	Ranking and Preference
set up Upper Clatford choir	4
satirical fundraising events	4
computer club	4
heritage club	4
silver surfers with local volunteer help	4
eco hub including the water Meadows	4
history booklet well designed for children	4
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wine tasting supper club and pudding club	4
Retreats for well being	4
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### NEXT STEPS

This analysis is now submitted to the Project Refurb team for review. It is proposed that it is then forwarded to the PCC for review in time for their next Meeting in mid Feb.

The basis is here for the PCC to set up a few working parties around selected ideas, so that they can:

- Develop and flesh out the basic idea and suggest frequency of events
- identify what would be needed in terms of church layout and services (e.g. lighting, PA, food preparation etc).
- other community groups that need to be consulted (e.g. Coffee mornings may need to be done in conjunction with the WI)
- fund raising potential

### WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS

A number of parishioners contacted said that they would Like to have participated but could not. the list below shows the names all participants at the workshop. we have contact email addresses for this list and the others who are able to come so follow up should be relatively easy.

First name	Surname	Respons	First name	Surname	Respons
Rosie and Colin	Barclay	2	Jane	Kennedy	1
John	Baxter	1	Sylvia	Kennedy	1
Richard and Karen	Bennett	2	Richard and Angie	Langrishe	2
Gerry and Liz	Dawson	2	Anne and Denis	Lockhart	2
Mary and Geoff	Dunn	2	Wendy	Message	1
Rev'd's Phil and Katrina	Dykes	1	Bill and Cilla	Mitford	1
Charles	Eyre	1	John	Moodie	1
Nicki	Eyre	1	Kate	Savage	1
Peter and Emily	Fabricius	2	Joe	Shrimpton	1
Maureen	Flood	1	Phil and Jenny	Skeet	1
Tor and Ed	Gay	2	Clive and Sally	Spencer	1
Lynda	Gent	Meeting T&C 24th	Jim	Stuart	1
Carolyn	Hallinger	1	Grace	Timms	1
Peter and Leslie	Heslop		Susan	Timms	1
Sue	Ingham	1	Phil	Wilkinson	1
Chris and Eleanor	Jackman	1	Tom and Jane	Wilson	2
Neal and Lindsay	James Crook	2			

### PHOTO RECORD

