

## Eardisland Parish Council

Meeting of the Feasibility Study Group  
on Tuesday 7 August 2018 at 19.30 in Eardisland Village Hall

### Notes of meeting

**Present:** Richard Kirby (Chair), Maryan Hanson, Reg Curtis, Ross Risdon, Jo Watson, Wendy Cross, Sue Richards and Susie Curtis.

**In attendance:** Alison Sutton, Parish Clerk.

1. **Apologies –**  
James Miller.
  
2. **Draft pre-application request document –**  
Document sent to group members agreed with one additional point re use of current village hall if new build option on new site pursued. Clerk asked to action asap.  
Offer of land for new hall, parking, community housing and some market housing noted and discussed. Will be taken to parish council meeting on Thursday.
  
3. **Funding streams –**  
Lottery funding – new funding stream for large works is Reaching Communities England; although much easier to apply for funding than with previous scheme, would require a lot of work and input to write application and no guarantee would be successful; would have to show community support following consultation.  
Public Works Loan – loan taken out by the parish council, low and fixed rate of interest, can be repaid over 2-50 years, sensibly 30 yrs would be maximum to take out; would have to show community support within business plan for application, as loan repaid from precept (parish council element of council tax).  
Other small grants available from charities and other sources – many only give to charities so would be suitable for EVH management committee (EVHMC) to apply and use for specific part of upgrade, eg new kitchen; but not suitable for extension/building work.
  
4. **Next stages –**  
Ask architect to attend meeting asap and start process of getting plans for consultation drawn up, while waiting for pre-application advice. Clerk to ask Architype to attend meeting.  
Noted EVHMC would prefer option of parish council finding funding for extension and external work and EVHMC finding funding for projects of refurbishment as above.  
Could consider a false ceiling to provide insulation, new electrics including moving the meters, new heating and lighting – need to be included in costs of extension work and as stand-alone refurbishment project if no major work supported by community.
  
5. **Open forum –**  
None.
  
6. **Date for next meetings –**  
29 or 30 August, 4 or 5 September, Clerk to arrange with architect and confirm date and time with group.

Alison Sutton – Parish Clerk.

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