Village Hall Working Party Committee meeting – VHWC		
17 th September – 7.00pm – The Village Hall, Ousden		
Attendees from the working party:		
Christine Ingham – CI		
Richard Hurrell – RH		
Julie Pryke – JP		
Alan Christie – AC		
Mike Hole - MH		
Apologies:		
John Whitefield – JW		
	To Action	Time Frame
AC opened the meeting with reference to the recent Village Hall Survey and that the information gathered must not be lost.		
It was clear that it was positive and that the village hall was wanted.		
JP remarked that we should 'sing' that the figure of 84% agree that we should have a village hall		
AC suggested a meeting after the Village Hall survey meeting taking place on the 23 rd September and talked of a summary to be drafted that brings out the highlighted results making the 'key points' and messages to deliver and putting a 'front on it'		
AC said that after the next week summary if what the committee draws from the results the summary will go on the Parish Council website and tasks will go to all the committees		
AC Summarised the offers of help and it is super critical of communicating directly with these people and hold the e-mail address for the people who		

have offered help.

A task will be to approach and hold on to those people that have offered and a designated communications person will 'come and see you ' for a discussion.

AC then when through the agenda items

Planning

MH has suggested that no pre-application is pursued as this really has been done already with Paul Leeves

The pre-app went through the options of – Repair / Knock it down and replace / Combination of full plans for the village hall and an outline plan for the house plot. MH believes that we go in for planning permission

AC commented that he feels there is really no more that can be done until planning is received and then we have 3years

MH pointed out that in the pre-app the planners talk about being confident that the money from the land will be available to build the hall, with the two being linked.

The next steps would be

- Planning permission / open day for design materials which would mean having actual building quotes from 3 builders
 - Agreement from the committee and the Parish Council
- MH also pointed out that we would need a bat survey and tree survey (the bat survey being relatively urgent as they are coming up for hibernation season)
- Speak with the PCC/Church as we are beside the graveyard
- MH said we would also need a land contamination survey

AC noted that we need to get a suggested time line for the planning and show the process and then go for the planning, ultimately – if we are successful – we fundraise if we are not then we re-think

MH said there was a lot do to for the planning and with more time available at the end of October.

AC said that the next 'selling job' is the cost, as there have been comments about the cost of a new hall

AC confirmed that we need to look for a new Chairperson as he will be leaving the village. CI mentioned that she had already been putting out feelers.

AC made the point that we need to increase the committee size. An individual approach to those people who had offered to come on to the new build committee should be made. Those next steps can be decided after the Village hall survey meeting next week

AC had heard from Sarah Payne from the Wills Estate who had initially said that the estate would need to give permission for the proposals, however subsequently she has said that is wasn't required, but asked to be kept in the loop.

JP has said that her should be preparing the template letters for requests for funding from organisations and from individuals

AC agreed and has proposed this runs in parallel with the planning

JP mentioned that we should look at 'Just Giving' page again

AC summarised again that a boost to the committee numbers was key, to support MH and for fundraising etc. We need to spread the workload.

JP was keen to not lose momentum and now we have the evidence of a precept being agreed by villagers, this must be followed up with the Parish Council

Follow up meeting confirmed for 1st October – 7PM