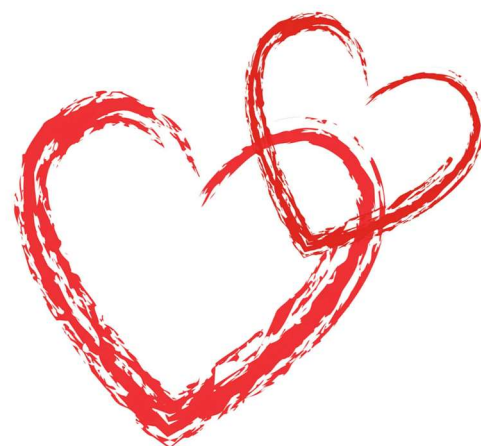


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Village Hall



News Update – February 2023

Renovation Update

Work towards reopening continues to progress well –

Since December's update:

Electrics	First fix completed and cabling installed for the fire alarm system
Kitchen	Painted and new kitchen units and appliances installed
Accessible Toilet	Strip out complete, new ceiling installed and painted, new compliant door installed
Main Hall	Strip out complete, wall prep for painting is underway
Male/Female Toilets	Minor strip out completed, new ceiling installed and painted and preparation work for redecoration by volunteers started
Large Storeroom	Build and plaster work to meet Fire Regulations completed.

February/March plan:

Second Fix Electrics	Lighting, heating and connection to power in all areas (early March)
Builders	Plastering, plumbing and installation of sanitary ware and painting in Accessible Toilet, installation of hatch in Main Hall ceiling and general tidy up work
Flooring	Main Hall, Kitchen, Lobby, Accessible Toilet, Large and Small Storerooms
Volunteer Activity Requirement	Preparation and painting of walls and/or woodwork throughout (Main Hall, Lobby, Toilets and Storerooms).



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Thanks to the boys at A STAR Kitchens & Carpentry



Fundraising Updates

Grant Update

Di has been speaking to the Herefordshire Community Foundation and established that £2k is available from the Wye Valley AONB. This grant must meet the aims of the AONB for maintenance/repair of the landscape to benefit the community. There is a high probability of success following an onsite meeting with their community support representative. Di will be submitting an application before the end of March.

Separately, the community support representative also offered £1k from a 'small pot' of funding which is available before their financial year end (March) which can be used directly on the Hall. Fabulous news.

BUY A BRICK Campaign

Two more bricks have been purchased boosting the fundraising by £200, thank you to –

Parishioners:

David Teague ■ PEBODY Family ■ THE OLD SCHOOL ■ V Lucas ■ J Sherahilo ■ Lina King ■ DIANA NUTTALL
 ANONYMOUS VILLAGE RESIDENT ■ ANONYMOUS VILLAGE RESIDENT ■ The Jeanery ■ OLD FARM 2019
 FARQUAHAR FAMILY ■ THE MARSHALL FAMILY OF FIELD HOUSE ■ ADRIENNE & TONY ALLEN ■ Ali O'Brien
 John & Elaine Lutkin ■ LEONARD NUTTALL ■ Mike O'Brien ■ Alyx Miller-Hall ■ Brian Miller-Hall ■ Paul Hopkins
 Sandra Hopkins ■ Nick & Susie Tabernacle ■ Dough & Martina Yates ■ Lucy Parry

Friends of the Village:

'HERE TO STAY' SUE ALDRIDGE GLOUCESTER ■ SUE MARSHALL-TONG ■ PHILIP MARSHALL-TONG
 Andy and Julie Lerigo ■ Jess, Rob, Harry and Ryan Pugh ■ Marianne O'Brien ■ Jack Clements 'Mr C'
 STORM EMC SERVICES 'GLAD TO HELP BUILD HAPPY TIMES' ■ TIA GROUP ■ Julia & Mark Whittaker
 ANONYMOUS ■ CHRISTOPHER SHELTON PALMER SEPTEMBER 2022 ■ ROSS TENNIS CENTRE
 DANIEL 'DOC' O'CONNELL ■ 'GOOD LUCK WITH THE FUTURE OF THE HALL' CLIVE & KATH KEY
 JACKIE & MALC STAPLES xxx ■ 'ANOTHER BRICK IN THE WALL' MIKE & SUE O'CONNELL ■ M. EVANS & K. HENDRY
 Mel & Jonquil Richards ■ Ksenja Moerl ■ Larissa Moerl ■ Karin Moerl ■ Sascha Moerl

Two more pledges have also been received.

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Fundraising Signage

Signage quotes have been obtained for the Corporate Sponsorship and BUY A BRICK fundraising campaigns. Our aim is to have these displays in place for when the Hall is opened.

Volunteers

General

We are still calling out for help please as we get ever closer to re-opening. We have a small team of volunteers which is fantastic but we could really do with some additional volunteers to spread the load.

Help needed.

1. Prep for painting
2. Painting
3. Ali and Keith Latham have kindly volunteered to fit our old kitchen units into the storeroom – thank you both.
4. Gardening

Please contact either: Mike O'Brien 07885 765834 or Brian Miller-Hall 07810 850069

A big thank you to the boys that have done prep and painting to date – Anthony, Brian, Matthew and the two Mikes. And to the girls for aiding the prep in the male/female toilets – Ali, Di and Hayley.

An extra special thank you goes to Brian McCormick a local professional Painter & Decorator who donated his time to the preparation and painting of the Kitchen for us.

Events

Now for the bit we have all been waiting for!

Following two Events/Usage meetings and the VH Trustee meeting on Tuesday 7th February, we would like to announce the proposed Brampton Abbotts Village 2023 Events Diary –

The VH, BAcRG, PC, PCC, Motley Hog Brewery are working together to plan the Grand Opening of Brampton Abbotts Village Hall and Celebration of King Charles III Coronation. More details to follow but please keep the date free.

18/02/23 – The Rectory Orchard Event

04/05/23 – VH Polling Station for local election

07/05/23 – Village Event (The Opening of Brampton Abbotts Village Hall and Celebration of King Charles III Coronation)

16/05/23 – VH Annual General Meeting

08/07/23 – VH Music Event, Afternoon Tea & Plant Sale

September – BAcRG Harvest Festival

28/10/23 – VH Event (Halloween)

09/12/23 – BAcRG Christmas Fare

18/12/23 – Village Carol Singing / BAcRG Refreshment

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We will be calling on volunteers to help with the planning of this event as we finalise the details. Please contact us if you are interested in helping us admin@bavh.co.uk

Booking for the hire of the Hall can be taken now for events from 7th May 2023, please email us at enquiries@bavhall.co.uk

General Information

Recently the VH was offered a piano on permanent loan, by the Cunningham family. Sean Cunningham is off on his travels, and so needs a safe home for this treasured piece, and the knowledge that it will be appreciated by the village.

We've been really excited to take the piano on, not only because it will be a lovely feature within the hall when it reopens, but also because it can be used by those hiring the facilities for music events. We need to add some casters so have christened it 'DOLLY'.

In the meantime, there has been lots of fun transporting it safely into the Hall, because of its size and weight. Thanks to Jon and all involved in getting it safely transported in one piece: I'm sure the Cunningham family are pleased that they know where it is, can visit and hopefully play it from time to time over the years to come, and that it is making a valued contribution to the Village as others enjoy it too.

Next Trustee Meeting

The next Trustee's meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 7th March 2023.

