





## Renovation Update

It is very exciting to report that work to get the Village Hall operational again is progressing well and to schedule. We have excellent contractors and great support from our volunteers.

## Since February's update:

Electrics Power, Lighting and Heating installation (Commenced 6<sup>th</sup> March)

Kitchen Power, Heating and Lighting installed

Accessible Toilet Toilets, Water Heater and Sink plumbed in

Main Hall Walls painted, Doors and Frames 75% painted, Ceiling Hatch fitted,

Electrics second fix started

Male/Female Toilets Woodwork painted

Garden Furniture 3 x 8 Seater Picnic Tables constructed

Apple Trees Pruning completed.

March/April plan:

**Builders** 

Second Fix Electrics

Lighting, Heating and connection to power in all areas by 20<sup>th</sup> March
Entrance Lobby

Plastering/Skimming 12<sup>th</sup> March, follow up prep and paint ASAP

Accessible Toilet Doc M Disability Aids, Baby Changing Station to be fitted

Flooring Main Hall, Small Storeroom, Kitchen, Accessible Toilet and Large

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Storeroom to start w/c 27th March. Estimated completion early/mid April

Skirting in Small Storeroom, Locks and Handles to Doors and general

tidy up. Estimated completion by 20th March

Volunteer Activity Requirement Preparation and painting of walls. (Small and Large Storerooms, Male

and Female Toilets, Entrance Lobby and snagging. Estimated

completion by 20th March.





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Fundraising Updates

### **Grant Update**

Following a successful meeting with the Community Officer of the Wye Valley AONB, we have been successful in securing an Accessibility Grant for £2,976. This primarily enables the replacement of a new Front Entrance Door in line with DDA regulations. Brian will be managing the decisions required on this.

The AONB have also promised a separate Maintenance Grant for £2,000, towards the repair of the broken Boundary Stone Wall. The required application form is currently being prepared and will be submitted upon completion. The Trustees confirm that we will be funding the additional cost involved in making the wall good.

An application has been sent to the Monmouthshire Building Society Foundation Charity to seek funding for the Main Hall Curtains and Roller Blinds for the Accessible Toilet. The grant meeting is on 29th March, result will be known within 28 days, so nice and quick. Curtain rails and fittings will also be needed in addition to this grant application.

The 'National Lottery Awards for All' Grant will be next to target (Pending completion of the 2021 grant for the Accessibility Toilet refurbishment).

## **Corporate Sponsorship Fundraising Campaign**

We have another Bronze Sponsorship taken up for £750 from two of the Trustees, to contribute to additional Flooring costs, Kitchen Blinds and other design 'nice to have' enhancements.

#### **BUY A BRICK Campaign**

We have had a fantastic 'last push' fundraising boost to our 'BUY A BRICK' Campaign boosting funds raised to a **TOTAL** of £6,800. We have reworked the display to accommodate these extra bricks.

## A massive thank you to -

Jack Clements 'KBO' / Marianne O'Brien / Mike 'The Beeches' / Ali 'The Beeches' / Jackie & Malc Staples xxx 'The Jeanery' / 'Old Farm' 2019 / In loving memory of Hannah Woor Hotston / Philip Marshall-Tong Sue Marshall-Tong / The McMarshall Family of 'Field House' / Alice Marshall / Sascha Moerl / Karin Moerl Larissa Moerl / Ksenjia Moerl / Paul Hopkins / Sandra Hopkins / Andy & Julie Lerigo Nick & Susie Tabernacle / Brian Miller-Hall / Alyx Miller-Hall / J Sherahilo / Viv Lucas 'ANOTHER BRICK IN THE WALL' Mike & Sue O'Connell / Daniel 'DOC' O'Connell / Leonard Nuttall / Diana Nuttall 'The Old School' / Pebody Family / Farguhar Family / Adrienne & Tony / David Dawson / Leila Dawson The Yates Family 'Russets' / Elaine & John / 'BRINGING THE COMMUNITY TOGETHER WITH FUN AND FRIENDSHIP' M & J x / 'HERE TO STAY' Sue Aldridge, Gloucester / 'GOOD LUCK WITH THE FUTURE OF THE HALL' Clive & Kath Key / 'FOR THE FUTURE OF OUR PARISH' The Teague Family / The Parry Family Mark & Julia Whittaker / Zac, Ted, Noah, Rosie / M. Evans & K. Hendry / Jess, Rob, Harry & Ryan Pugh 'Appleford' 1 / 'Appleford' 2 / 'GLAD TO HELP BUILD HAPPY TIMES' Storm EMC Services / Ross Tennis Centre Christopher Shelton Palmer September 2022 / Lina & Age / Rob & Mel Reid / Keith & Ali Lathan 'Harwell' IWSA Chartered Surveyors / Goodrich Village Hall / The McCarthys 2023 / Jeannette Hatcher 'NETTY' In memory of Joan Snell / In memory of Graham Brooks / Gething Lewis Family 'Lyndor' Hole-in-the-Wall Barry Durkin County Councillor / The Shepherds 'Pipers Ridge' / Jane & Matthew Osbeldiston-Hawkes BA Community Cafe / Jennie & Shane / Aron, Ellis & Faye 'Hatchers' / Roger & Rebecca March 2023 / TIA Group

## Volunteers

A big thank you to date (Apologies if we have forgotten anybody)

First coat in Main Hall Saturday 25/02/23 by Brian, Alyx, Matthew, Jon and Mike with preparation help from Ali and Jess. Second coat Sunday 26/02/23.

Update after Sundays efforts. Main Hall walls have had second coat. Work started on sanding and painting doors (many more to do) and painting of chair rails. Big thanks to Sundays team - Age, Alyx, Anthony, Brian, Jon, Mike x 3 (Cunningham, Spencer and O'Brien). Great to see new volunteers.

W/C 27/02/23. Thanks to all our volunteers for another good week/weekend to get lots done before the second fix electrics that starts Monday with Heating and Lighting installed over the next 2/3 weeks.

Great contributions from Anthony Parkes, Brian Miller-Hall, Len Lettice, Matthew Osbeldiston, Mike Cunningham, Mike O'Brien, Mike Spencer, Ali O'Brien and Jessica Pugh.

We are still calling out for help please as we get ever closer to re-opening. Contact either: Mike O'Brien 07885 765834 or Brian Miller-Hall 07810 850069 to offer your support.

### Events

#### **Diary Dates**

04/05/23 – VH Polling Station for local election (This will not happen at BAVH in 2023 but will in 2024)

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

28/10/23 - VH Event (Halloween)

18/12/23 – Village Carol Singing / VH Refreshments

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The VH, PC and Motley Hog Brewery are working together to plan the Grand Opening of Brampton Abbotts Village Hall and Celebration of King Charles III Coronation.



Below is a rough outline of the event, but more details to follow very soon –

## Sunday 7th May 2023

12.30PM EVENT OPENS

1PM OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE VILLAGE HALL

1.30PM CHILDRENS CROWN & FANCY DRESS PARADE

1.45PM LETS EAT!

Afternoon GARDEN GAMES, BOUNCY CASTLE, PHOTO BOOTH & QUIZ

4.30PM TEA & CAKE, PRIZE GIVING & RAFFLE DRAW

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 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023, please email us at enquiries@bavhall.co.uk

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## Donations

A big thank you for the following donations -



Cork Pin Boards x2 for the Kitchen Serving Hatch Doors, donated by Kieran Streames SPD UK.



Kettle donated by Charlotte Shepherd.



Oak Frame and Cloth Pin Board for the Foyer, donated by Ruth at 'Notice Board Company'.



Henry Hoover, donated by Hayley Bird.



Kitchen Window Sill surface to be donated by Lucy Brewer, Purple Granite (Granite / Marble / Quartz).



The sale of the donated Dishwasher funded the purchase of the Kitchen Hand Wash Sink.



Bouncy Castle donated by Wayne at MegaBounce for our Opening Event on the 7th May.

# Next Trustee Meeting



