

SIRAC Meeting

2 November 2014

Community Hall Report



The Hall Committee had a meeting with the Booking Manager, Kerry Borthwick, as she expressed dissatisfaction with the online booking procedure. The booking information is emailed in such a way that it requires reformatting taking additional time. Attempts to resolve this with the Website Admins has failed.

The Committee decided that, after years as Booking Manager and organiser of the Hall, Kerry should be supported and her preferences accommodated. Her work as Booking Manager is highly valued and her system has been successful and efficient since 2009.

The Hall Committee requested an alternative online form as a compromise, a sample of which was forwarded to the Website Admins. Amendments suggested to the Hall page by Website Admins were agreed and a recommended template was forwarded for discussion.

As per the October Report, Council is preparing to carry out extensive maintenance and refurbishment of the Hall, taking on board our "wishlist" and more. A meeting was held with the Council Painting Contractor to discuss preparation, colours and preferences.

External Building:

- Installing new guttering at the front and painting the fascia
- Painting the external weatherboards, as staining is no longer an option
- Choice of 2 x colour schemes:
 1. Taubman's: "Cookie Jar" for downstairs brickwork; "Taupe Stone" for upstairs external weatherboards; "Burma Buff" for the railings.
 2. Bristol: "Stormy Skies" for downstairs brickwork; "Whippoorwill" for upstairs external weatherboards; Taubman's: "Burma Buff" for the railings.

External Downstairs:

- Painting of entire bessa-block wall, including around the Basketball court
- Moving of air-conditioning unit so a full wall can be built, including a door, for the storage area
- Installing a roller door closing in the catchment tank

Internal Downstairs:

- Installing a fixed window sill
- Replacing 1 x of the toilets/cistern
- Replacing shelving
- Painting of all walls, doors, stair railings and refurbishing the stair treads

Internal Upstairs:

- Installing an awning over the balcony
- Rebuilding the lighting stage to make it compliant to the building code
- Sanding and re-varnishing of 2 x end walls with the round windows
- Painting 2 x long walls off-white, exact colour to be determined
- Painting rafters Ironstone; the ceiling white
- Installing new down lights, dimmable

It is anticipated that the work will take in excess of 4 x weeks and Council Staff will work in with Hall usage to carry out internal work. The Hall is available from December 22 when bookings cease for the Xmas break and resume late January. External work can be carried out without disruption.