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Parish Council**

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STATEMENT FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Community Project was a joint partnership between the Parish Hall Management Committee and the Parish Council which had a project cost of over £450,000.

Following concerns regarding the car park at the village hall (which formed part of the project) a decision taken for a structural survey to be carried out by someone independent and suitably qualified. Some of the findings highlighted in the report not only related to concerns with the car park but with the terrace/patio area and water causing damp within the halls structure. Full detail of the report can be found on the Council's website.

On 4th August the Parish Council wrote to the Parish Hall Management Committee inviting them to work alongside the Council and presented three options all relating to the rectification of works needed to the community project as outlined in the structural surveyor's report, in short:-

- Option 1:-The Halls Committee to have sole responsibility for the works.
- Option 2:-To form a working group with the Parish Council.
- Option 3:-To allow the Parish Council to address all matters.

The trustees of the Parish Hall Management Committee met and a unanimous decision taken that none of the options presented were in the best interest of the charity.

The Parish Council will therefore have to reflect on the situation given none of the presented options for the urgent rectification of works to the community project supported by the Parish Hall Management Committee.

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HPC Clerk