



New Romney Town Council – Community Hall & Sports Pavilion

**PRESENTATION FOR THE ROGER DE HAAN
CHARITABLE TRUST**

Presented by: **Councillor Patricia Rolfe** – Chair of NRTC's
CHSP Project Steering Group

In attendance: **Councillor Paul Thomas** – Town Mayor &
Chair of NRTC

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Hollaway

Synergy
Construction and Property Consultants

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New Romney

Designated 'Rural District Service Centre'

The 'Capital' of Romney Marsh serving the needs of residents and businesses within the Town and within the **deprived rural hinterland** the Town serves.

New Romney Town Council AIMS to provide:

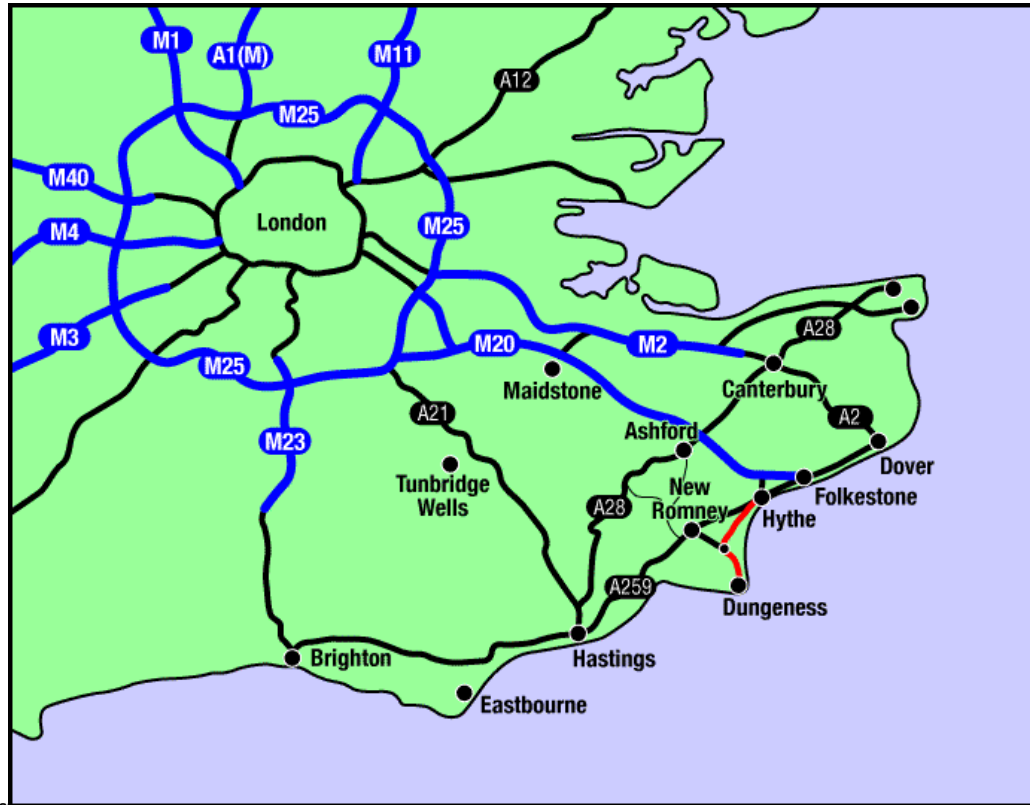
- **A FOCAL POINT** for the local community and wider Romney Marsh
- **ENHANCED SPORTING PROVISION** for a range of sport and other physical activities
- **FACILITIES FOR A WIDE RANGE OF LOCAL CLUBS**, societies and organisations
- **EVENT SPACE** for larger-scale private and community functions



Amenity grassland encompassing the majority of the site.

Mission Statement:

Provide a vibrant focal point for those living in, working in or visiting the area



Location Map – South East

Location – ‘Heart’ of New Romney & Romney Marsh

Equi-distant between High Street & Amenities and Coastal Strip

Site Boundary



The site is home to the existing sports pavilion for New Romney Town Football Club. The field is used predominantly for football in the winter and cricket in the summer. The Seashells nursery, also on the site, sits just to the west of the existing pavilion. Both buildings share an unformalised car park to the east of the existing sports pavilion.

The site is easily accessed from Folkestone & Ashford, and has close local amenities such as the light railway, the Marsh Academy and the beach.

During the summer, New Romney is a popular tourist destination for families. Often disembarking the RH&DR at New Romney and walking down to the beach.







New Romney has a primary and secondary school in close proximity to the site.

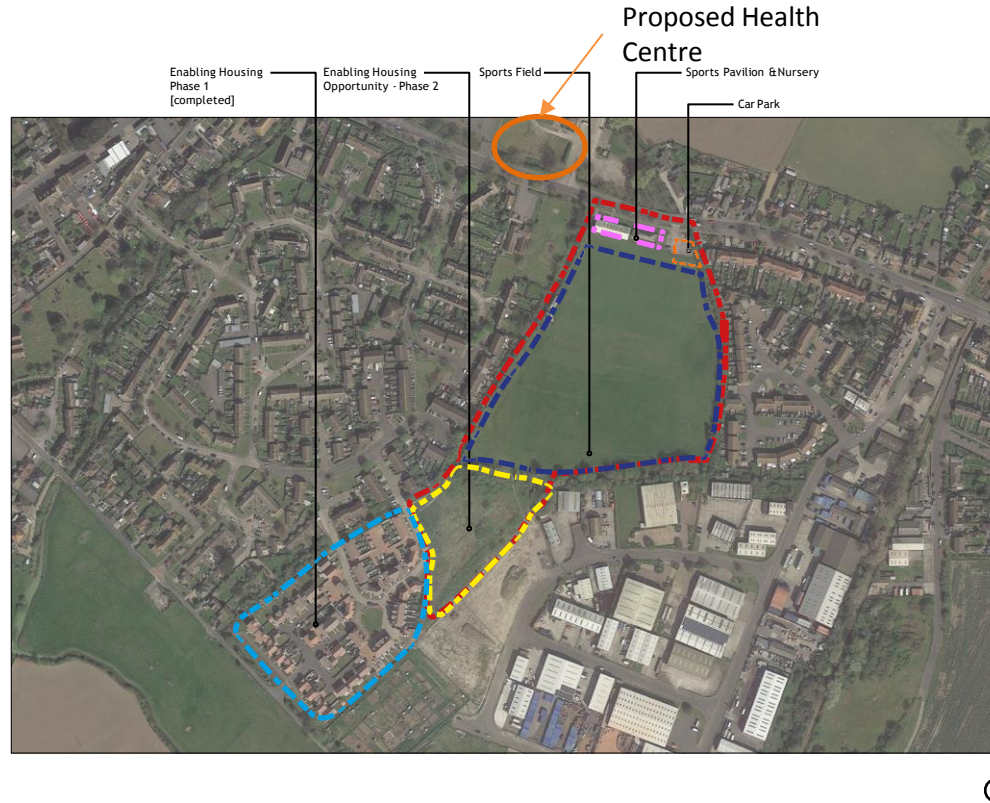
The site requires an upgrade in facilities to utilise the existing amenities.

The existing sports pavilion accommodates the local football club which offers sport for children and adults in various local leagues. The nursery which is on the site is a key part of the local infrastructure and is also due an upgrade to improve its facilities and efficiency.

The vision for the sport pitches is to offer FA approved football pitches to encourage active outdoor sports and to offer flexible usage.

The land also offers an opportunity to facilitate a housing scheme which will help New Romney Town Council raise funds for this community project. This is located to the south of the site, adjacent to an existing housing scheme, part of which was recently completed in 2017.

- Car Park 
- Sports Pavilion & Nursery 
- Sports Field 
- Phase 2 
- Phase 1 
- Site Boundary 





Current



Replacing/Upgrading: Existing ageing and dilapidated buildings

Creating:
New 'state-of-the-art'
Community-focussed
facility

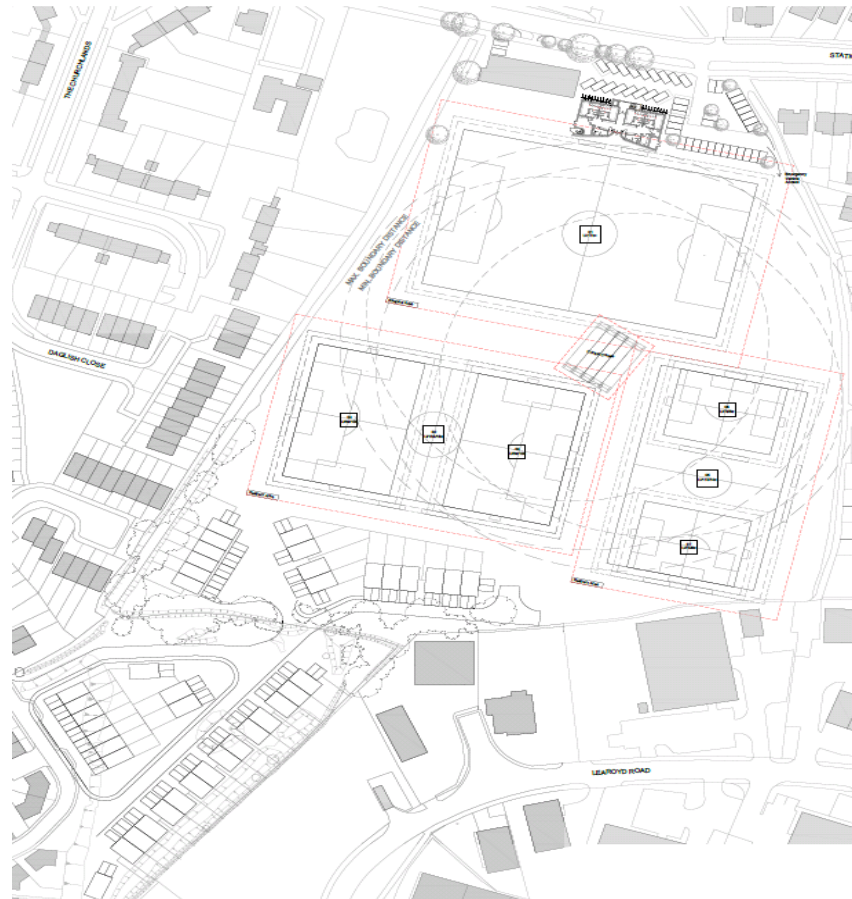


Proposed

2.0 Guy Hollaway video presentation

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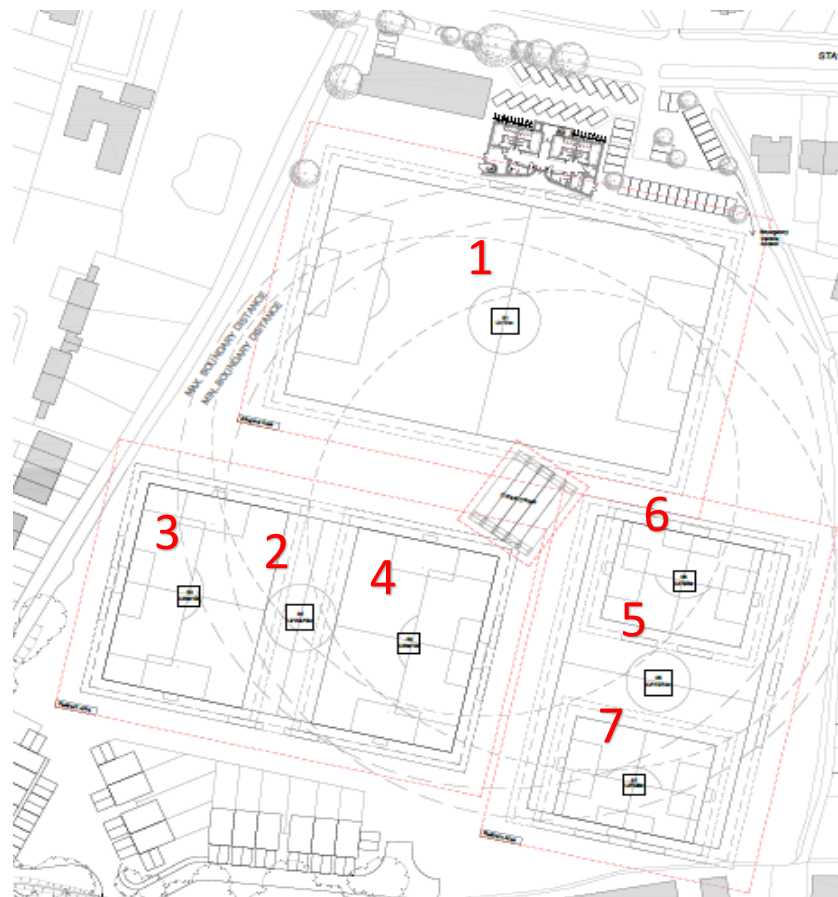
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Proposed Site Masterplan

Key:

- 1 U/17s +
- 2 U/15s / 16s
- 3 U/9s / 10s
- 4 U/9s / 10s
- 5 U/11s / 14s
- 6 U/7s / 8s
- 7 U/7s / 8s



Proposed Sports Pitch Layout:

Note: Layout increases provision by providing 7 pitches, sizes to current FA requirements

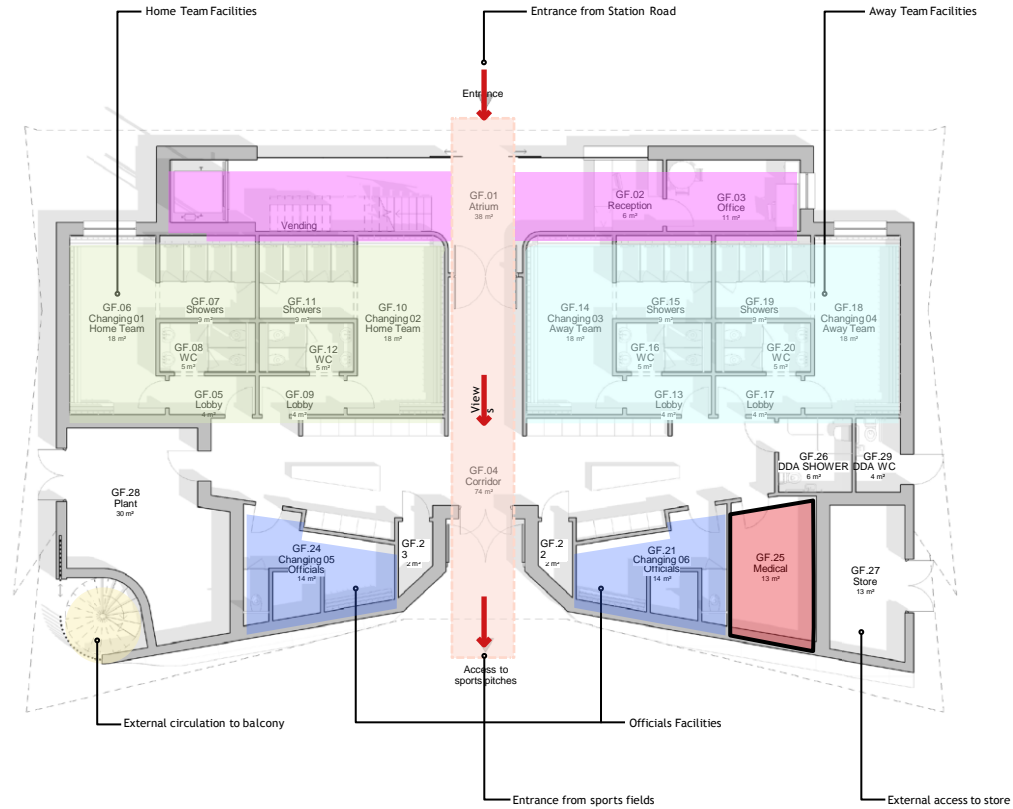
The masterplan for the site logically orders the existing facilities. Protected trees which front the sports field to Station Road have been retained and the vehicular entrance remains in a similar location to existing.

The nursery is to remain as existing, however the external is to be cladded and upgraded. Thereby improving the aesthetics while working hard to improve the efficiency of the building. Providing a fenced outdoor play area to the rear of the nursery will address any potential child protection issues.

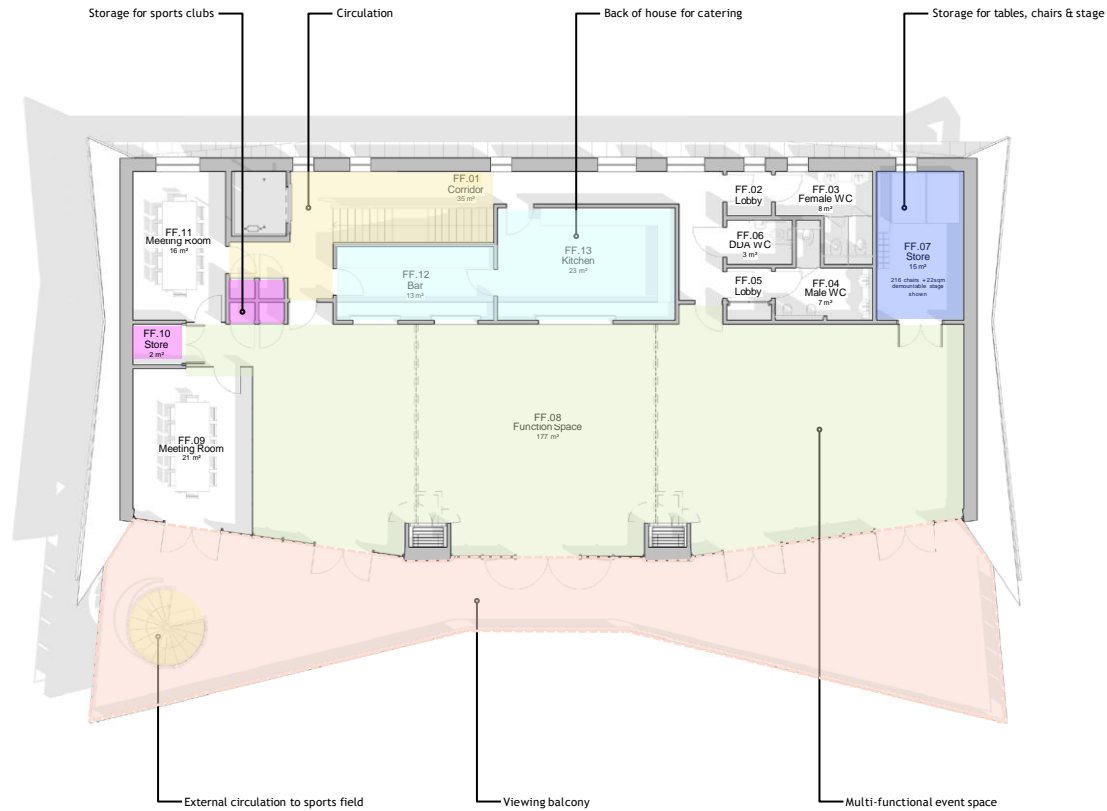
The car park area is to increase, providing much needed spaces which will be used by the sports pavilion and nursery. It will be formalised to utilise the space available. Bicycle parking is also proposed to encourage local residents to cycle to the amenities & leave their car at home.

The proposed sports pavilion has shifted away from the existing footprint, enabling a larger car park to be implemented. The plan sees the sports pavilion based along a central axis, with circulation through the building happening in the centre, leading visitors onto the sports field.





Proposed Ground Floor Plan (NTS)

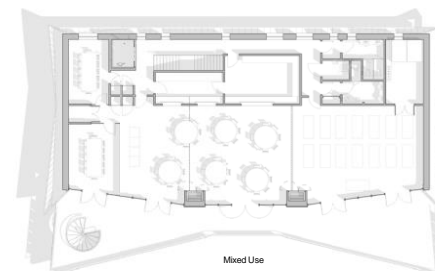
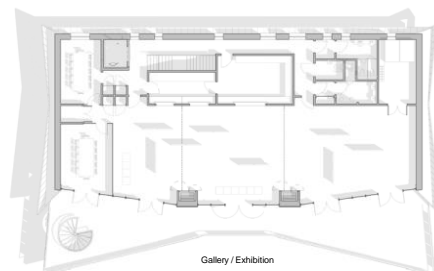
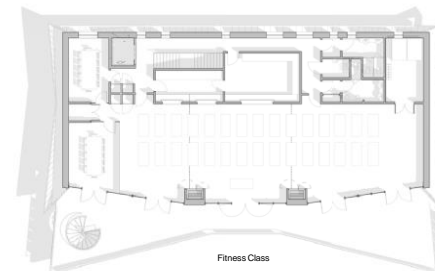
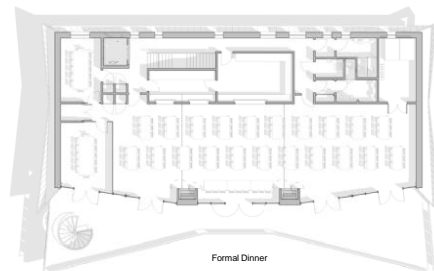


Proposed First Floor Plan (NTS)

The function space was one of the key specific facilities that was important to the user group study the council ran and this is further evidenced by the wider user consultation feedback provided by 1422 local residents. Therefore, the function room is located on the first floor and has been designed with flexibility in mind. Offering a space to accommodate theatre productions, presentations, exhibitions, dinners, awards ceremonies and fitness classes.

Storage has also been provided to house the furniture & stage, and there is also a large kitchen/bar incorporated after the user group survey presented an interest in catered events.

The space also has two optional dividing partitions to offer more flexibility to the space, enabling two or more clubs or events to be running simultaneously.



Proposed First Floor Plan - Arrangements (NTS)



Proposed Front Elevation 2

The front elevation mixes warm tones of wood with functional concrete. The vertical slats help to elongate the form, emphasised by the angular wings which draw up either end of the pavilion. Along with the full height glazing on the first floor, the cantilevered structure appears lightweight and elegant.

The central circulation axis offers a glimpse of sporting activity before entering the building, connecting the facility with the community.

Catching the corner of the nursery on the right to the pavilion, the material is consistent and ties the facilities together.



View of entrance from proposed car park



View of entrance from Station Road

Proposed Views



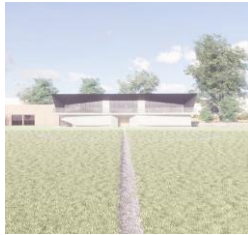
Proposed Front Elevation 4 - Aerial

To the rear of the pavilion, the full form can be appreciated. The angular roof line and raised corners throw open the pavilion to take in the views from the balcony. The angular form of the canopy are working hard to shield the balcony from solar glare and rain.

The fully glazed first floor facade floods the pavilion with light and appears lightweight. Connected by an external spiral staircase, the two circulation options offers flexibility to the facility.

The ground floor services such as changing rooms, storage and plant rooms are encased in concrete, offering a practical and functional finish.

The nursery to the left of the pavilion is clad in the vertical timber seen on the front of the sports pavilion and opens up to an outdoor playing space.

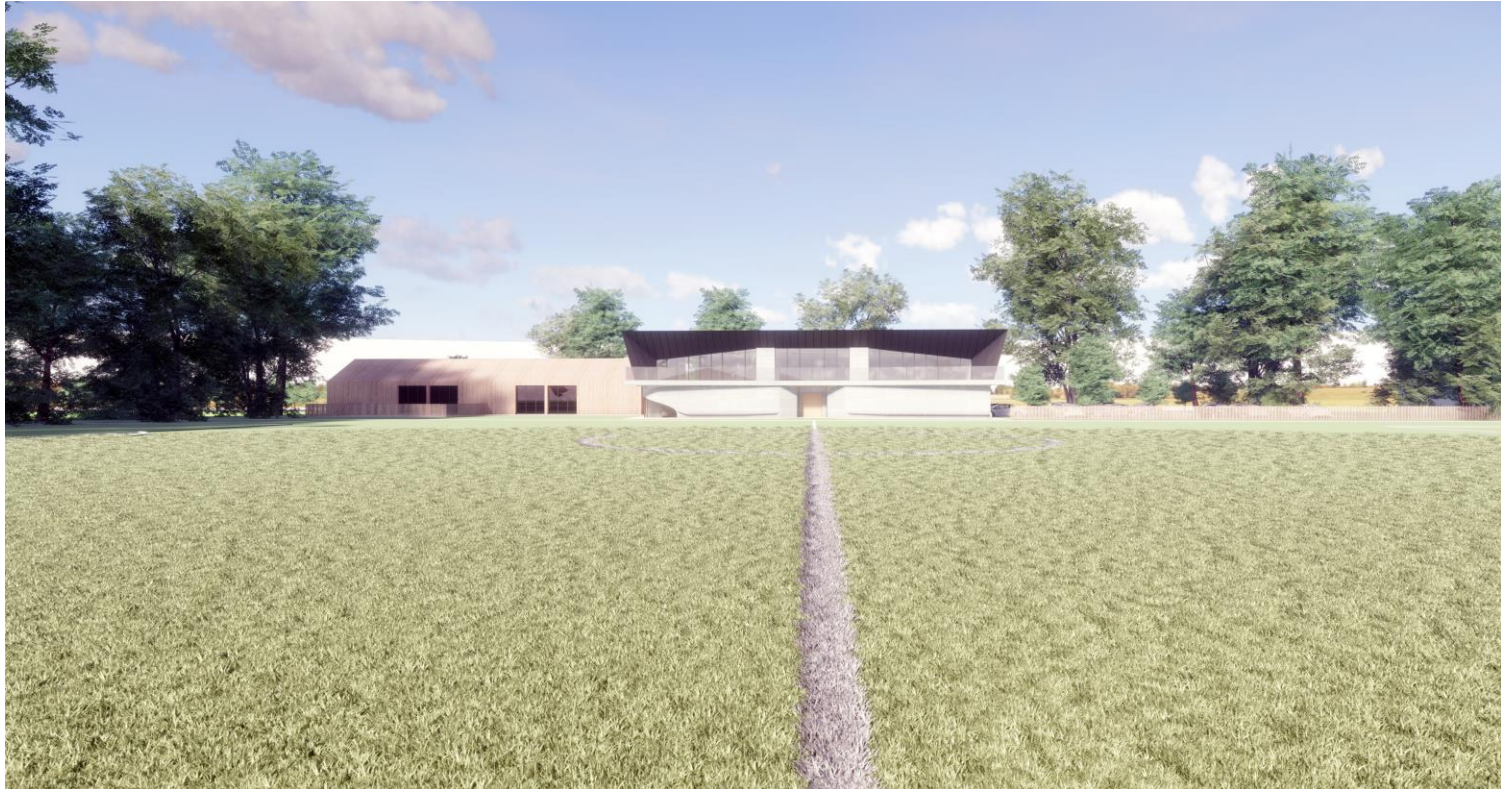


View of pavilion from football pitches

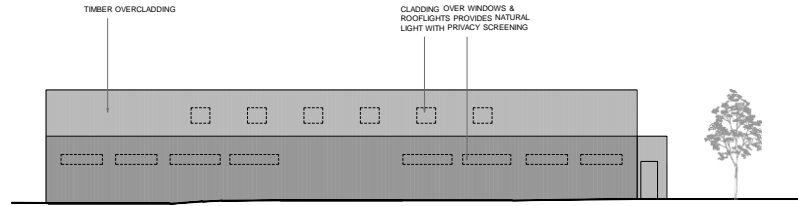


View of pavilion from football pitches

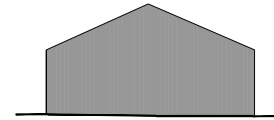




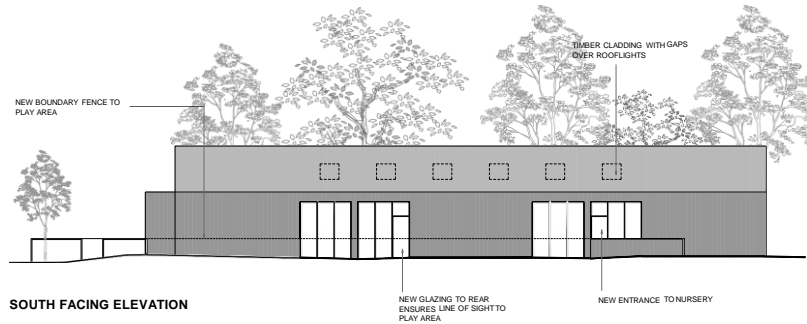
Proposed Rear Elevation 2 From Centre Line of Pitch



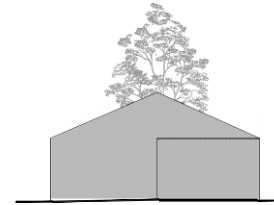
NORTH FACING ELEVATION



EAST FACING ELEVATION



SOUTH FACING ELEVATION



WEST FACING ELEVATION

Proposed Nursery Elevations (NTS)

Sustainability – the Building

Sustainability & BREEAM (Building Research Establishment Environmental Assessment Method)

The Design Team is committed to designing a building which

Minimises waste &
pollution

Reduces greenhouse
gases

Avoids use of non-
renewable resources &
specifies sustainable &
responsibly sourced
materials

Naturally ventilated (reliance
on natural daylight)

Glazed elements ensure low
thermal loss & solar
admittance

Construction of the building envelope will be such that **solar gain will be minimised, instead relying on naturally generated heat.**

The Design Team
are committed to
achieving
BREEAM 'Very
Good' or higher

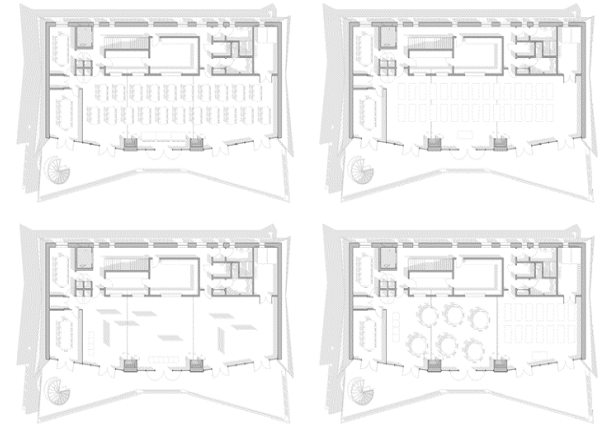


Sustainability – the Business Plan

The long term financial viability and sustainability of this project was a key consideration in the development of the project's Business Plan.

FLEXIBILITY IN DESIGN was prioritised, **to enable the different community spaces to be used simultaneously** and to allow the different areas to change in size depending on the nature of the booking. Two meeting rooms are adjacent to a large Community space that can be divided into 3 distinct and separate areas using movable partitioning. Hence a yoga class may take place at the same time as a dance class or bridge club meeting, **so optimising revenue potential and helpful in ensuring Covid-19 'socially distanced' circulation patterns can be established** if and when appropriate.

LONG TERM BUILDING MAINTENANCE has also been considered. The Town Council has **already established an Earmarked 'Facilities Maintenance Reserve Fund'** to enable yearly contributions to be made during its annual budgeting process so that a **'sinking fund'** is available as and when major maintenance work or improvements to the building are necessary. The **building's future general maintenance will also be included in the Town Council's ongoing periodic 'Rolling Maintenance Programme'.**



Ongoing
community
engagement over
years

Overwhelmingly
positive &
supportive

Collated data
evidenced need
& desire

Bridges gap in local
amenity provision

Stage One: Following creation of a draft Capital Spending Plan that identified development of Community Hall and Sports Pavilion as a priority a public consultation took place and the **Capital Spending Plan** was duly adopted as a direct result of feedback.

Stage Two: A **Stakeholder Group was established** involving representatives of local groups and organisations and several meetings took place to discuss the project

Stage Three: Stakeholder Group identified 'wish list' by potential user groups of facilities desired and additional elements for consideration

Stage Four: (August 2015) **Small-Scale Public Consultation** (234 responses) confirmed majority agreement with 'wish list' identified at stage one (August 2015)

Stage Five: (December 2016) **Large-Scale Public Consultation** (questionnaire distributed to every address within the TN28 postcode and **1422 responses received**) identified continued public desire for this project (**87% of responses proffered positive support**) and evidenced wide range of usage potential

Stage Six: (April 2018) **Guy Hollaway Architects presentation to Stakeholders** (including Nursery, Football Club and New Romney Coastal Community Team) held.

Stage Seven: (May 2018) The Design Team presented updated designs and overall scheme to Stakeholder Group and a **2 day public awareness and consultation event** was held to update and engage with local residents

Stage Eight: (August/September 2018) **A detailed consultation pack sent to all residents & businesses in area** containing multiple questionnaires distributed via Royal Mail

Stage Nine: (April 2019/March 2020) Public consultation on proposal via the **Planning process re-endorsed need** for facility – **evidenced by comments and letters of support** from local residents & key stakeholders

**Community feedback has been
a guiding force for the
proposed design and layout of
the building**



NRTC Council Chambers

Stakeholder Engagement

New Romney Coastal Community Team ('NRCCT') and the New Romney Socio-Economic Plan

- **NRCCT's membership involves representatives from a range of organisations (statutory and others)** that directly impact the cultural and socio-economic regeneration prospects of New Romney and its rural hinterland. Partners include New Romney Town Council, Shepway District Council (now known as Folkestone & Hythe District Council), Romney Marsh Partnership, The Marsh Academy, The New Romney Sports Club, High Street Traders Association, Romney, Hythe & District Railway, JAM, Magnox, RNLI, The Varne Boat Club, Romney Resource Centre, New Romney Bowls Club, New Romney History Society, The Old School Trust and others
- **Creation of a 20 year forward thinking strategy.** The overall vision for the strategy is that:
'New Romney will be a stronger and more dynamic hub of Romney Marsh; promoting and using its strategic location and unique range of shops, services and attractions to increase investment. It will provide a vibrant focal point for those living, working and visiting the area'
- **Four themes were established:**
Community and Service, Tourism and Heritage, Culture and Leisure, Business and Heritage

Of the 62 projects put forward in the original Socio-Economic Plan, the Community Hall & Sports Pavilion was noted as the 'Primary Priority Project'



Stakeholder Engagement

LETTERS OF SUPPORT

Formal letters of support for this project have been received from:

- **FORMER CLINICAL CHAIR OF THE SOUTH KENT COAST CLINICAL COMMISSIONING GROUP – Dr Jonathan Bryant**
- **DAMIAN COLLINS MP**
- **THE RIGHT LORD MICHAEL HOWARD OF LYMPNE – CH QC**
- **FORMER LEADER OF KENT COUNTY COUNCIL – CLLR PAUL CARTER, CBE**
- **CHAIR OF THE SHEPWAY SPORTS TRUST – TREVOR MINTER**
- **CHAIR OF THE NEW ROMNEY COASTAL COMMUNITY TEAM – CLLR PATRICIA ROLFE**



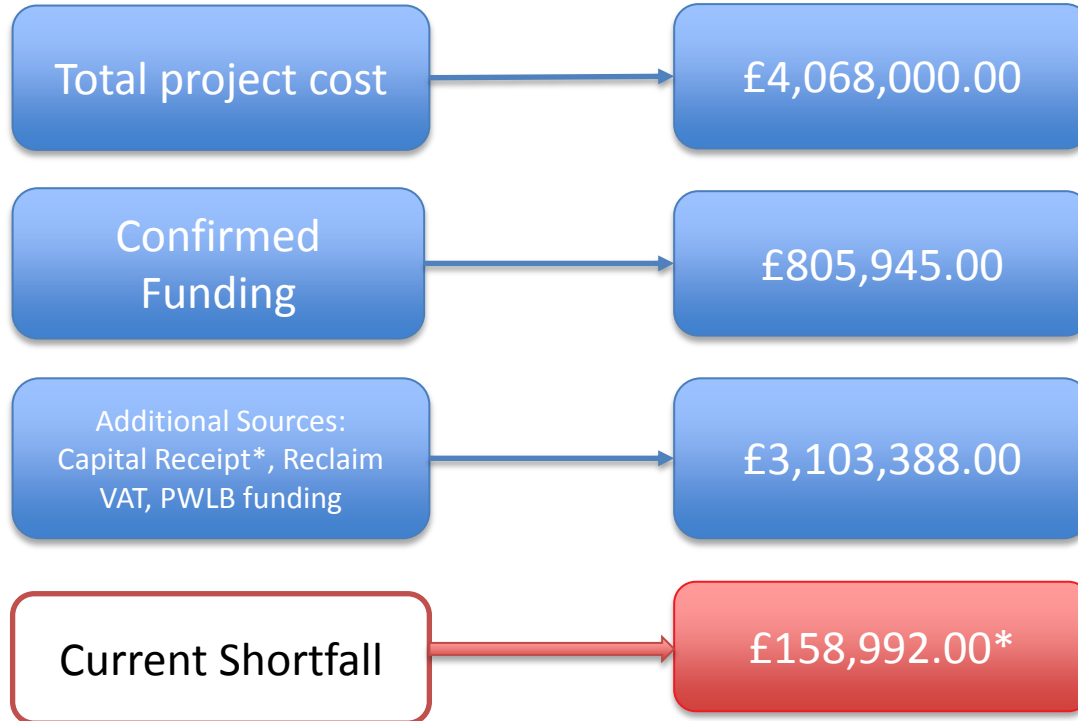
Planning matters

Planning Approval Received:

A Planning application was submitted to the District Council's Planners in April 2019. **Planning consent was granted by the Planning & Licensing Committee in May 2020.** The application included:

- **Erection of a new Community Hall & Sports Pavilion** immediately to the south of the Maude Memorial Hall, which is to be demolished
- **External renovation of the adjacent nursery building** – including cladding and other upgrades and visual connections between the two buildings, and
- **Construction of 34 residential units** located at the site's South West extent immediately adjacent to the Sports Field
- The Planning Application received a significant number of letters/comments of support from residents and other stakeholders. **Only 4 letters of objection – to the residential element only** from individuals living on the Phase 1 development site were received
- Importantly, **Sport England did not object** to the application despite the small loss of an unused part of the sports field which will be sold as part of the residential development
- **No Affordable Housing Units** were required within the residential development to optimise the capital receipt of the sale of the land for the Council. The funds generated by the residential development will be used to make a significant contribution to the funds required to build the new Sports Pavilion and Community Hall and reconfigured sport pitches.
- **A Section 106 Agreement is currently being negotiated**

Cost Plan — based on Cost Plan 7



*subject to s106
negotiations re
contributions

Full & Comprehensive Risk Assessment
undertaken

Financial Risks considered – see Business Plan



Miscellaneous:

General design and construction cost risks to be minimised through a robust design process and undertaking a series of specialist on-site surveys.

Design & Build contract will be issued for the construction work to ensure that costs remain within a defined funding envelope

Following finalisation of s106 details



Design Team to be re-engaged to commence discharge of conditions and start Stage 4



Ongoing technical and cost evaluation and continued fundraising to point of award of contract once target achieved

43	Discharge pre-commencement Conditions	8 wks	↑
44	Stage 4 (Technical Design)		
45	Technical Design	10 wks	↑
46	Client Approval	2 wks	↑
47	Prepare Tender Dwgs / Specs / BoQ	6 wks	↑
48	Tender Period	6 wks	↑
49	Tender Adjudication / Interview	2 wks	↑
50	Client Approval (to appoint Contractor)	2 wks	↑
51	Contract Agreement	3 wks	↑
52	Contractor Appointment	0 days	↑
53	Stage 5 (Construction)		
54	Mobilisation	4 wks	↑
55	Construction Period - tbc	50 wks	↑
56	Completion	0 days	↑

Addressing Deprivation & Accessibility issues on Romney Marsh (1)

Romney Marsh is recognised as having several pockets of deprivation. This new facility will be accessible to residents living within both the Town and the rural hinterland the town serves.

Romney Marsh Partnership

5 work pillars – endorsed by NDA

1. Maximise opportunities in the nuclear, tourism and high-value sectors
2. Realise the workforce potential through skills development
- 3. Improve accessibility** to enable better workforce and community mobility
4. Encourage and support business development
- 5. Enhance infrastructure**

- **A strategic REGENERATION forum focussed on addressing the many challenges the area faces. It has a wide membership** including **senior representatives** of Magnox/Nuclear Decommissioning Authority; EDF; Kent Invicta Chamber of Commerce; Folkestone & Hythe District and Ashford Borough Councils, Rother District Council, Kent & East Sussex County Councils, the Marsh Academy, Romney Resource Centre; Rural Kent, Kent Wildlife Trust and, more recently - East Kent Colleges (Ashford & Folkestone) and Visit Kent.

Poor Accessibility – widest context – transport, infrastructure, access to services/opportunities, digital network

Addressing Deprivation & Accessibility issues on Romney Marsh (2)



Shepway Sports Trust

Discussions have taken place with representatives of **Shepway Sports Trust** who have indicated that they would like to use the **new facility as an outreach post for their range of 'health and wellbeing' services.**

This, linked to the **potential, to support the Government's ongoing social prescribing agenda** will open up new opportunities for residents of the Marsh.

The following slide will also demonstrate the **range of potential activities** that could take place within the proposed facility **based on consultation feedback**

Large Scale Public Consultation (Postal)

December 2016

Having clearly evidenced the desire for such a project and the scope of its required provision, further large-scale public consultation was then undertaken to reinforce this desire and evidence its need and potential usage. Consultation was undertaken by questionnaire delivered via Royal Mail door to door to every address in the TN28 postcode together with a postage paid reply envelope for the return of responses to the Town Hall. This method of consultation resulted in a much higher response rate, the result of this was an overwhelming desire for the project to be progressed and clear evidence of need and potential use, as follows:

Q1) Do you think that you will use the proposed new Community Hall / Sports Pavilion once it is built?

	U18YRS	18-25YRS	26-65YRS	66+YRS	TOTAL YES / NO	TOTAL YES / NO IF INCORRECTLY COMPLETED RESPONSES INCLUDED
YES	97	42	404	367	910 YES = 87%	(1197 YES = 84%)
NO	8	7	65	57	137 NO = 13%	(221 NO = 16%)

DISABLED?	136 RESPONDEES					
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	U18YRS	18-25YRS	26-65YRS	66+YRS	No Age Group Indicated
INCORRECTLY COMPLETED					
YES	1	7	44	51	184
NO	1	3	12	12	56

	U18YRS	18-25YRS	26-65YRS	66+YRS
ABUSIVE RESPONSES (DISCOUNTED)				
YES				
NO			4	

Q3) If any of the following activities could be made available at the proposed new community hall / sports pavilion, which do you think you would be likely to participate in? (Tick all that apply*)

	U18YRS	18-25YRS	26-65YRS	66+YRS	TOTAL	TOTAL IF INCORRECTLY COMPLETED RESPONSES INCLUDED
JUDO	31	9	28	7	65	72
TAI CHI / YOGA	20	12	132	86	250*	289*
INDOOR ARCHERY	37	16	107	55	215*	248*
INDOOR CURLING	23	8	64	51	146*	169*
DISABILITY SPORTS	6	4	7	14	31	46
BRIDGE / WHIST CLUB	5	2	31	49	87	108*
BALLROOM DANCING	12	7	112	87	218*	248*
BALLET	24	3	14	10	49	51
FENCING	24	9	34	14	79	87
WRESTLING	17	3	11	7	38	41
PACK HOLIDAY VENUE	19	3	18	17	57	66
KIDS' HOLIDAY CLUBS	66	5	55	23	149*	166*
DISABILITY SOCIAL CLUBS	11	5	22	41	79	92
COMMUNITY CHOIR	10	6	68	54	138*	167*

Q2) How do you think you will use the proposed new Community Hall / Sports Pavilion once it is built? (Tick all that apply*)

	U18YRS	18-25YRS	26-65YRS	66+YRS	TOTAL / % OF RESPONSES	TOTAL IF INCORRECTLY COMPLETED RESPONSES INCLUDED
FAMILY PARTY	75	32	231	111	449 = 49%	613 = 51%
WEDDING RECEPTION	41	25	122	42	230 = 25%	318 = 27%
PRIVATE FUNCTION	55	30	224	221	530 = 58%	672 = 56%
FOOTBALL MATCH	44	17	61	31	153 = 17%	226 = 19%
FOOTBALL PRACTICE	45	14	50	15	124 = 14%	183 = 15%
CRICKET MATCH	17	11	29	23	80 = 9%	127 = 11%
CRICKET PRACTICE	18	9	23	11	61 = 7%	95 = 8%
CONCERT PERFORMANCE	54	24	237	201	516 = 57%	680 = 57%
PANTOMIME	73	17	224	150	464 = 51%	588 = 49%
ATTEND A CLUB / GROUP	73	22	265	204	564 = 62%	723 = 60%
COFFEE MORNING	16	10	172	178	376 = 41%	519 = 43%
CRAFT FAIR	29	16	241	214	500 = 55%	676 = 56%
TABLE SALE	24	15	206	191	436 = 48%	601 = 50%
COMMUNITY MEETING	23	11	197	195	426 = 47%	560 = 47%
SOCIAL EVENT	46	32	286	207	571 = 63%	736 = 61%
FUNDRAISER EVENT	42	23	240	159	464 = 51%	611 = 51%

	U18YRS	18-25YRS	26-65YRS	66+YRS	No Age Group Indicated	TOTAL
INCORRECTLY COMPLETED						
FAMILY PARTY	0	6	28	17	113	164
WEDDING RECEPTION	0	6	18	10	54	88
PRIVATE FUNCTION	0	6	27	19	90	142
FOOTBALL MATCH	1	5	12	7	48	73
FOOTBALL PRACTICE	0	4	5	6	44	59
CRICKET MATCH	0	2	8	6	31	47
CRICKET PRACTICE	0	1	2	4	27	34
CONCERT PERFORMANCE	1	5	29	34	95	164
PANTOMIME	1	4	20	21	78	124
ATTEND A CLUB / GROUP	0	4	23	32	100	159
COFFEE MORNING	1	2	23	34	83	143
CRAFT FAIR	0	3	32	37	104	176
TABLE SALE	0	2	28	33	102	165
COMMUNITY MEETING	0	2	18	33	81	134
SOCIAL EVENT	2	5	30	25	103	165
FUNDRAISER EVENT	1	4	24	31	87	147

Community Hall / Sports Pavilion Large - Scale Consultation.

Championing Health & Wellbeing in a post-pandemic world

Covid-19 and Social Prescribing

Covid-19 has had a dramatic impact across all sectors of society, some, such as the leisure and tourism sectors have been particularly affected.

A report by the LGiU released this month (February 2021) noted that the closure of 7,200 leisure centres, swimming pools and gyms is costing the UK around £90m in sector revenue for every week of lockdown and lost 'social value' – which includes health savings and the benefit of activity for people's health & wellbeing accounts for £7.25m per week of lockdown.

The report states: *Looking ahead, public and private leisure services will have an important role to play in the UK's post-Covid recovery and in helping us to look after our health and wellbeing*

Pre-pandemic 'social prescribing' was high on the Government's health and wellbeing agenda. It provides GP's with non-clinical referral options that can work in parallel with, or as an alternative to, existing treatments – for example, the known benefits of exercise to tackle obesity or even, depression. The report notes: *The national roll-out of social prescribing has created an opportunity for the physical activity and leisure sector to purpose itself on as we come out of the pandemic.* It later observes: ***Social prescribing done well offers an opportunity to raise the profile of physical activity, enable more people to access local activities that support their physical and mental wellbeing, and for physical activity to be built into health planning.***

THIS IS EVIDENCE THAT facilities such as this will be crucial to bringing our current socially fragmented communities back together in safe and controlled environments.

Championing Health & Wellbeing in a post-pandemic world

Health & Wellbeing – the local context

The proposed building will form part of a future new 'Health & Wellbeing' Hub for Romney Marsh.

The new Community Hall & Sports Pavilion was approved as a priority project within New Romney Coastal Community Team's Socio-Economic Plan which was developed in 2017. The Plan also highlighted the need for a new health centre for the area.

In parallel with the development of this facility, **work is being undertaken to develop a new multi-agency Primary Care Health Centre on a site opposite the Sports field and immediately adjacent to the Marsh Academy.** Stakeholders involved in the project include Kent County Council, Kent & Medway CCG, Folkestone & Hythe District Council, NHS England, Local GP practices and others. Cllr Rolfe has been involved on the Project board from the outset so there is a link between the two projects. **The Health Centre project board have acknowledged the role the new CHSP will play in enhancing the local health services infrastructure.** Former Leader of Kent County Council – **Cllr Paul Carter**, sent a letter of support for the CHSP observing



“Health and wellbeing is vital to a better future for all Kent residents and therefore the co-terminosity of this Community Hall and Sports Pavilion with the proposed new health centre and the Marsh Academy sounds like an inspired piece of thinking” – Cllr Paul Carter CBE

Conclusion and Summary

What will this project achieve?

Vision: To provide new, high quality facilities that:

- Encourage wider participation in sport and leisure activities
- Bring the local community together
- Improve community cohesion, health and well-being

Aims:

- The proposed Community Hall and Sports Pavilion will provide a **state of the art facility at the heart of New Romney where local residents and residents of the wider Romney Marsh can gather, socialise, develop new skills and participate in sport, physical and mental activity**. It will be run by New Romney Town Council, which will promote its use by a wide range of community groups and organisations as well as individual residents and which will also seek to organise / promote its use for annual events that will **bring the community together**.

A financially sustainable, landmark sporting & community hub that will be well-used for generations to come

Mission Statement:

Provide a vibrant focal point for those living in, working in and visiting the area



OBJECTIVES:

- **Replace the existing worn-out sports pavilion which is approaching the end of its useful life and is no longer fit for purpose**
- Provide a new, state of the art public facility for a wide range of community uses
- **Improve provision of and access to participation in football and other sporting activities on Romney Marsh**
- **Improve provision of and access to a wide range of clubs, activities and events available in New Romney**
- **Improve the health and well-being of the local community in New Romney and the wider Romney Marsh**
- Improve community cohesion in New Romney
- **Provide a financially sustainable facility that will remain well-used in New Romney for many generations**
- **Meet a key priority of the Romney Marsh Partnership & New Romney Coastal Community Team Socio-Economic Plan**

Why fund this project?

Sustainable
- Building
Design &
Business
Plan

Improves
sporting
opportunities
on Romney
Marsh

Addresses
some 'poor
accessibility'
and
deprivation
issues

Endorsed by the
Community &
Key
stakeholders eg
RMP/ NRCCT
and CCG

Location –
heart of
'Rural
District
Service
Centre'

Enhances
community
infrastructure

Community
input ensures
community-
focussed
output

Supports future
growth and
development of
town – significant
housing increases
planned

'Part' of a
proposed
Health &
Wellbeing
Hub



And finally

“The more living patterns there are in a place – a room, a building, or a town – the more it comes to life as an entirety, the more it glows, the more it has that self-maintaining fire which is the quality without a name”

Quote from ‘The Timeless Way of Building’ by the architect Christopher Alexander

‘Thank you for your time’

Any Questions?

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