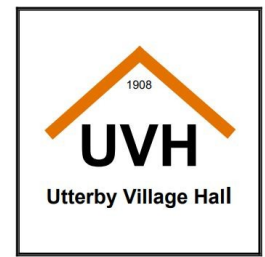


Dear Utterby Residents,

As you know, our Development Plan, “**Utterby Village Hall...Today...Tomorrow...the Future...**” was published to the Hall website last year. This was created based on information from ongoing conversations and feedback from regular and community Hirers.



From this plan we have already moved forward and had work done to repoint some areas of the ageing brickwork, resolve and repair damp issues, re-plaster the north internal wall, redecorate the whole of the main hall and fit another radiator to the coffee area.

We are now looking at applying for grant funding from the East Lindsey Investment Fund (ELIF) to focus on some more repairs, updates and improvements. Therefore, we have highlighted key areas from our development plan where funding would help us restore and invest in our community space at this time. These areas of improvement would have maximum impact upon the building and its community of Hirers.

We know that an accessible, well cared for environment has a positive impact on the well-being of those that use it.

We want to let you know what we are proposing to use the grant funding for, should we get it, and seek your feedback on this.

**Please read through the proposal below and let us know your thoughts by emailing us at [thevillagehallutterby@gmail.com](mailto:thevillagehallutterby@gmail.com)**

**If you prefer, you can write to us and drop your response to the post box on the side of the Hall.**

## **PROPOSAL FOR ALLOCATION OF GRANT FUNDING**

**1. REPOINTING** Finish repointing to the remaining areas of the South exterior wall to restore lost mortar and stop water seepage into the brickwork, causing damage to the structure of the building.

**2. ACCESSIBLE CAR PARKING.** Improve the disabled parking space to provide a wider bay, an even surface with drainage and a new access path to the entrance, enabling people with mobility needs to access the building safely and independently.

**3. ACCESSIBLE TOILETS** Improve the accessible toilets by replacing sinks with smaller basins to enable more space and access for wheelchair and mobility frame users. Fit lever taps to sinks to improve ease of use. Improve grab rails for safety and accessibility. Replace door locks with “disabled toilet cubicle indicator locks” to improve accessibility, independence and privacy.

**4. TOILET HEATING** Fit a PIR motion sensor system to toilets that will turn new instant heat heaters on/off with movement, providing controlled heating to this area making more pleasant to use.

**5. AIR CIRCULATION SYSTEM** Fit a Positive Input Ventilation System to the main hall roof void to eradicate moisture and condensation issues by circulating fresh air throughout the building and also improving air quality for users.

**6. DECORATION** Carry out redecoration of the toilets, kitchen, entrance and coffee areas with durable quality paint to walls, ceiling and woodwork to improve quality and durability of décor.

**7. FLOORING** Restore the main hall wooden floor by sanding and sealing with a high grade durable finish to improve durability and safety. Replace the coffee area carpet to improve durability, quality and cleanliness.

**8. FURNISHINGS** Replace window blinds throughout to improve quality and functionality for users and to meet fire safety requirements for furnishings. Replace chairs in the main hall with chairs of consistent size and colour, to improve quality, enable safer lifting, moving and stacking and to meet fire safety requirements for furnishings.

**9. PHOTO ARTWORK** Add four large photo canvases to the main hall to illustrate the local area / Lincolnshire Wolds, to add interest, help provide a sense of place and improve the quality of the indoor environment.

**10. INFORMATION DISPLAY** Improve the main inside notice board, leaflet and library book storage, to clearly display and make accessible key information / policies / marketing info / community library books.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND SUPPORT**

**An outline of this grant application will also be included as part of our AGM on Monday 28 April 7pm at Utterby Village Hall**