## ROLLESTON VILLAGE HALL

# **NEWS UPDATE**

**SUMMER 2005** 

THIS newsletter is produced to help keep the community up to date with the ongoing development of Rolleston's new Village Hall and the actions and decisions of its committee.

As many of you know, having been at the extremely well-attended open meeting to cast your vote, a new committee was formed which has already formulated itself and is now working hard on the process of creating and shaping the Hall's future.

## A NEW COMMITTEE WITH NEW CRITERIA

**TWO** of the most important criteria uppermost in the committee's collective mind were:

1.To make the Hall profitable enough to pay for itself and to cover the loan that has been secured.

2.To make sure it is still economically accessible to absolutely everyone in the village.

To date we have designed and agreed an exciting new-look "corporate" logo for the Hall, which will be used on all correspondence,

marketing and advertising across the board.

And we've designed and agreed the brochure format with which we will promote our new facility.

We've applied for an Awards For All grant for funding of the official opening event, which will include activities for children and others in the afternoon, followed by a knees-up celebration party with plenty of live music in the evening.

This official opening is likely to take place around October/November.

Pictured left & right: artists impression of the hall interior.





Cheryl Warwick (Director and Leading on Facilities Management)
To be confirmed (Finance)

Pam Richardson (Administration)

Doug Mirtle, Nick Freestone & Malcolm Mason

(Sales & Marketing Team)

Julie Ward (Lettings Manager)

Martin Fish (representing The Friends of Rolleston)

Heather Mirtle (representing the Parish Council)

Debbie Baldock (representing the Parochial Church Council)

#### PRICING STRUCTURE

**PERHAPS** one of the most important and difficult issues to get right is that of pricing, and this subject has been debated by us long and hard.

We've had to strike a fine balance between the Hall making a profit and also being financially accessible to all groups and individuals in the village.

To this end we have agreed a simple pricing scheme of £9 per hour for residents, with the wider structure being built around this figure.

The scheme will also include discounts for regular users and a minimum hire period of only one hour.

We are now in the process of identifying future running budgets.

#### **OPENING DATE**

THE new Village Hall is expected to be open for business from mid-September and we are hoping to arrange a series of preview sessions for villagers and businesses earlier that month.

#### AND ON A FINAL NOTE....

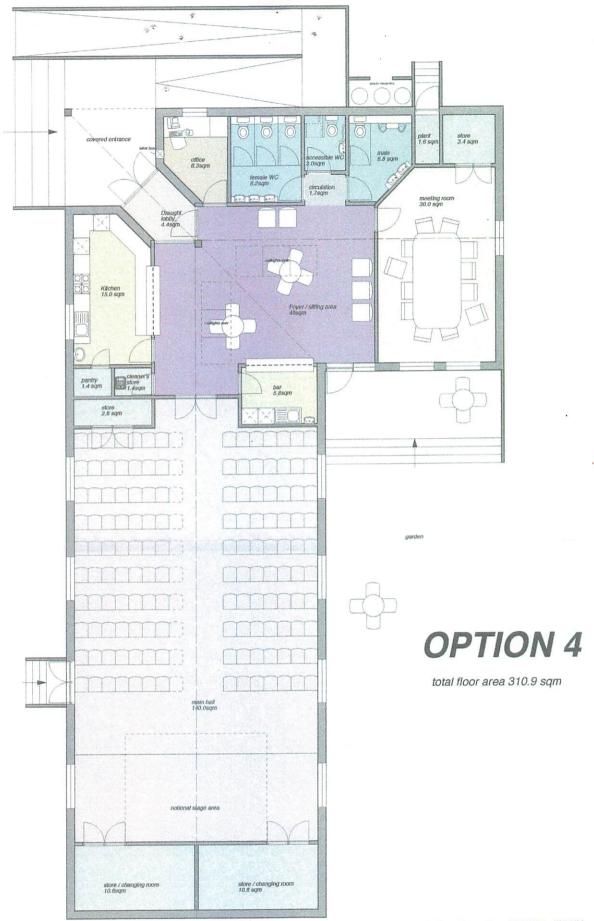
**CONGRATULATIONS** and thanks to our two Ace Fundraisers, Gill Rowles and Nick Pearson, who were not only responsible for obtaining the original DEFRA grant but who have since found further funds from DEFRA, and financial support from WREN (Waste Recycling Environmental Ltd).

And to Martin Fish and the many Friends of Rolleston who helped and supported the incredibly successful Open Gardens Day. At the time of writing, the money raised appears to be in excess of £3,000.

Well done to everyone.

Pictured below I to r: Martin Fish keeps the visitors rolling in. Two lucky winners in the 'Make a Scarecrow competition'. Visitors in one of the twelve Open Gardens.





### Rolleston Village Hall Plan March 2003

Rev A: revisions in line with meeting of 08/04/03, 17/04/03
Rev B: ramp altered, external steps added, entrance doors altered, window in office added, 23/04/03

