

FACT SHEET:

The Committee/Trustees over the past 5 years have been committed to securing the future of the Village Hall.

We do not want the village to lose this facility and would have preferred not to relocate but without parking the village hall cannot survive.

The two spaces available at the front of the hall are insufficient and reversing off/onto the busy Turners Hill Road is extremely dangerous.

Options that have been explored over the past 5 years:

1. Land offered by those building 'the Pheasantry' would have provided 12-15 spaces. Funding was refused by WPC.
2. Access to the back of the Village Hall via the adjacent land. Again WPC refused to fund.
3. Plan to access the rear of the hall via right side (facing hall).
Unfortunately not wide enough and would only have provided 6 spaces.

What next?

We have planning permission to build a new village hall on the Haven Sports Field Car Park. This will provide 18 car parking spaces. The current hall would be sold to fund the new build.

Why bother?

Because we believe that the 1906 Trust which provided the land and the donations which provided the building should be respected and that there should be a Crawley Down Village Hall for future generations.

We love the Village Hall, we the Trustees all use it regularly and care for it. However it cannot survive, in the longer term, without adequate, safe parking.

We continue to look at any alternative possibilities that arise and fully consider any objections raised.