

Colden Common Community Association - Our Hopes for the Centre.

We would like you to tell us whether you think extending the Community centre is a good idea. The centre is currently working at near capacity, with potential bookings that are beneficial to the village, frequently having to be turned down.

We would be very appreciative of your feedback. You may think that this is a good thing and have ideas of your own that you would like to put forward or you may feel that the centre does not need to be extended. Whatever your views we promise to take them all into account before any action is taken. This is the time to have your say.

The Initial Proposals and reasons are outlined below – **BUT** – none of this will happen if you do not give us the go ahead.

PROJECT PART 1 – MULTI PURPOSE ROOM BETWEEN CENTRE AND TAKE AWAY

- To provide an informal meeting place for the community
- To provide a permanent home for the very successful 4C's Café during the day that could double up as a drop-in centre for the young people and youth outreach workers in the evenings.
- Upstairs would be space for offices (including a Parish office) and quiet areas to sit and access the internet.
- It would also provide easy access to the loft space above the main building.

We haven't got a building or even the go ahead yet, but people are asking how will we run/staff the café. We will have a business plan, but the answer at the moment is we do not know. It may have to rely on volunteers to begin with but we are sure that once it is up and running we will be able to pay staff wages and create another job or two in the village.

PROJECT PART 2 – STORAGE TO THE SIDE OF THE GLOUCESTER HALL

- There is room at the side of the Gloucester Hall to provide a secure and high quality store. This would provide much needed extra storage for existing and future users, and which would include a secure enclosed buggy/bike park.

PROJECT PART 3 – EXTENSION TO BE LOCATED AT BACK OF GLOUCESTER HALL STORE

- To provide a robust space capable of withstanding messy and very active activities. This would provide space for Mums and tots, babies, school age children and young peoples activities. We also need room to run a crèche on occasions, so that Mums can do activities as dance or exercise classes.
- It could have out Storage around the room it could be self contained for the groups using it. A Separate entrance door, Walls that cannot be damaged by balls etc. protected windows and lights
Electric points (preferably in cupboards) for computers, TV and Wii, internet access (wireless)
Access, by passageway if necessary, to garden, Storage for toys, large and small, Storage for rugs, small tables and chairs

There would be another room upstairs, this time for quiet activities, which might include:

- A homework club
- A meeting/ conference room
- A place for adult learning, anything from sewing to IT
- A games room e.g. scrabble, chess, etc
- A chill out area for young people with sofas, a television, Wii, computers and somewhere to make drinks. Such a provision could be supervised by youth outreach workers or an organisation such as Solent Youth .
- There could be Projection shelf and window to Gloucester Hall

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Please indicate how many people in your household

Under 16	16-25	26-40	40-60	60-80	Over 80
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Gender – how many of each in your household?

Male	Female
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Please would you answer these questions as clearly as possible, including the views of everyone in the family.

What could the Community Centre provide that would improve/increase enjoyment of life in Colden Common? Your answers will help inform the design and use of extensions to the Community Centre

Internet / Computer Room Meeting Rooms Permanent Café Music Room
Improved Youth Facilities Separate Parish Council Office

Other (please specify)

If we had a permanent facility that provides food would you use it and how?

This could be anything – a café, lunch for the elderly, children’s breakfast club, Young peoples coffee bar, catering for functions, parties, workshops etc.

Yes I would use it How I would use:

No I would not use it

Provision of “SMART OFFICE” Facilities

For a small fee, office space can be rented by the day or hour. Included is broadband use, a computer if you need one, photocopying and shredding. If transport is a problem, the house is too noisy or your broadband service has gone down, Smart Office could offer a unique solution at a small cost.

Would you use such a facility if available, and if so, for what purpose?

Yes I would use it How I would use:

No I would not use it

How would the provision of a youth wing impact on village life and the youth organisations?

Would you like access to training and learning opportunities locally? If so what?
Learning opportunities can be anything - IT skills, crafts, exercise, cookery, drama or more formal subjects such as English or maths

Are there any activities not currently offered, you would like to access? If so what?

Would you would like to take part in community activities that include people from different age groups? If so what type of activity?

Would you support the proposed new build to achieve the improvements listed on this form
 Yes No

The following questions will help us get a better understanding about other issues related to life in Colden Common. Please include an answer to each question from every member of your household. Your answers can relate to any issue - not just to the community centre.

What do you like about Colden Common?

What do you dislike about Colden Common?

What one thing about Colden Common would you change if you could?

If you would like to be involved in this project or be kept informed please add your name & email address.

Name Email.....

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