

Members are requested to:

- NOTE this report
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- CONSIDER the suggestions - originally from thoughts for the Annual Meeting
- CONSIDER any other activities that could take place/be used
- CONSIDER the Clerk's suggestions
- HELP to make it a success

Background

The Parish Hall has been booked for the afternoon of 2nd October for a "Meet the Councillors" between 3pm and 5pm.

Thoughts for Discussion

- Advertising - website, social media, noticeboards
- Start the session with refreshments
- Consider a speaker to talk about a local group or initiative e.g. The Little Lydiard Library
- Invite the Clubs that use the JCH and the recreation field (particularly LMJFC and Stagestruck as these are for children/teenagers).
- A list of parish projects/issues to share with parishioners to get feedback on their views, previous suggestions are below
 - a. Development of JCH to provide more facilities (Catherine to provide details)
 - b. A pocket park in the field next to the Parish Hall (a previous councillor did a lot of work on this idea and at least we'd get to use the field)
 - c. Replacement of stiles on popular walks (again this has been discussed previously)
 - d. Replacement of play area at the Mews with a wildlife area (we need to do something here as the equipment is dangerous and it seems a bit of a waste to have two play areas so close together)
 - e. Creation of a dog exercise area at the recreation field (possibly the area at the end of the car park) so people can exercise their dogs off the lead and reduce issues of dog poo on the sports area.

Clerks Suggestions for Consideration:

From the list of projects above or any other projects discussed at this meeting, or that evolve from the event – may I suggest you only choose what is within the powers of the Council to do, and choose the one most popular with the aim of completing it by Annual Parish Meeting in 2022.

Interactive Tasks Work well at This Sort of Event

- One display board – with the possible Projects in bubbles – Coloured stickers can be stuck to preferred option – have an empty bubble with blank 'post it's' to add their own suggestions
- Three display boards with a main heading 'YOUR PARISH - WE NEED YOUR THOUGHTS', each board would be for either 'What's GOOD, What's BAD, What's UGLY'. Those present can write on 'post its' and stick them on the board.
- Councillor Name Badges
- Volunteers to take on responsibility for the different elements of the event.

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