

COMMUNITY HALL

Progress Report No. 3

1. The planning application was formally lodged on Wednesday 22nd May. This was three weeks later than planned due to finalising details for the external layout and drainage of the hard surfaces. The Building Warrant application is still on course for Thursday 13th June. The planning application will be advertised by North Lanarkshire Council with a fee of £135.06.
2. The Civil Engineer is proposing a new ditch be dug to the south of the building and car parking. This will collect water from the existing ditch system and the outflow from the pond.
3. Building warrant requirement for two EV charging points is to be reviewed when kitchen equipment and its power demand are resolved. The Electrical Engineer's current view is there is insufficient power for two EV charging points. The client group view remains these are not justified by potential usage and are at risk from vandalism and misuse on an unsupervised site.
4. Kitchen planning needs to be progressed by the client group in advance of a meeting with Steelplan, the supplier/installer. The kitchen budget in the cost plan is £8,250. A small group of community members with experience in kitchen planning is being marshalled to progress the equipment schedule and layout.
5. We have asked the Services Engineer for early advice on the air to air heat pump specification - in particular its performance, efficiency, location and integration with structure and finishes. Similarly, we've requested the Engineer's confirmation that the water treatment plant design by PHX Water, Perth meets all current requirements. The existing septic tank is being checked for capacity.
6. We have settled the first round of professional fees to the Design Team (with the exception of the M&E engineer who is still to invoice). Fees paid to date including VAT are £5,023.82. from a budget of £34,890.00. The structural engineering fee includes substantial work towards the Building Warrant application.
7. Now that the preliminary design work is complete and the planning application has been lodged, we propose to update the VRG website with full details of the project as it now stands. This may require some paid input from Webreturn.

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