Poynton with Worth Town Council



# **Civic Hall** Refurbishment Project

**Summer 2022** 

# **Building Condition**

- The Civic Hall was built in the late 1960's and opened officially in 1971
- Phase 1 works were carried out when the library and civic hall merged in 2014-2015. Phase 2 is now due.
- Surveys confirm that some systems have not been updated for more than 50 years. There are issues with;
  - Asbestos
  - Electrics and electricity supply
  - Gas installation
  - Heating & hot water
  - Health and safety (including fire alarm, emergency lighting)
  - The roof
  - Drains
- Imperative that the issues are resolved to ensure the longevity of the building and its use as a community hub.



#### **Civic and Community Hub** Craft Fairs Flu and Covid **Vaccinations** Gilbert & Sullivan Shows Blood Donation Brass band shows **Room Hire** CE hub for Connected providing services **Community Centre** Polling Station • Language lessons You and Yours • Art groups Counselling • Exercise Classes Citizens Advice Bureau Photography Balance classes Badminton CIVIC HALL • NHS baby Children's football and audiology clinic rugby classes • Bridge **Local Information Centre Town Council Base Support Groups** Mahjong Time out Café Bus timetables • U3A Town Council Offices Bereavement Local interest • Hobby groups Support Council meetings leaflets • WI conference & away days Counselling Town gueries Councillor surgery re - drains, grids, Parties Dementia Support pavements, dog poo Civic Sunday venue - Time to talk - Golden Memories Hate Crime reporting hub

### Phase 2 - Refurbishment works

- Upgrading electrical supply, replacing lighting in selected rooms and provision of additional sockets
- Installation of new heating and cooling system
- Removing asbestos
- Roof and drainage repairs and improvements to fire alarm
- Provide staff room which in turn would allow hirers to have exclusive use of the newly refurbished kitchen
- New safe storage for chairs and tables at the rear of the hall
- Refurbishment of the council chamber, hirers kitchen, reception and counselling room

### **Estimated Project Costs**

- Mechanical Works (heating, cooling, ventilation, drainage) £142,000
- Electrical Works (new electrical supply, upgrade electrics) £132,800
- Refurbishment (council chamber, hall, reception, counselling room) and provision of staff welfare facilities - £80,230
- General Building Work £16,665
- Project preliminaries and overheads and profit £74,339
- Contingency £45,000
- Professional and statutory fees £46,000
- Total circa £537,000

# **Possible Funding**

- How will the project be funded?
  - Council reserves £380,000
  - Borrowing £160,000

#### • Cost of borrowing (Public Works Loan)

• The interest rate for a public works loan for £160,000 over a period of 20 year is 2.76% and the repayments are estimated to be £10,290 each year

#### • Affordability

Each year the council sets aside an amount from its budget for capital projects such as this refurbishment, this amount is placed in reserves.
In the 2022 budget, £11,000 has been allocated for this purpose and the first year's public works loan repayment will be funded by this amount.
This means there will be **no increase in the precept** (part of the Council Tax) for 2022-2023 or subsequent years resulting from the refurbishment project.

#### Feedback

 The presentation together with a feedback form can be found on the Town Council website <u>https://www.poyntontowncouncil.gov.uk/Civic Hall Refurbishment</u> <u>42377.aspx</u>

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