

Churt Pavilion Roof



The Pavilion on the recreation ground was built in 2003. Unfortunately the roofing tiles have failed and the entire roof needs to be replaced. It has been found that the tiles used are faulty and under the terms of the warranty, the manufacturers will replace all the tiles free and pay for half of the labour costs involved as the failure occurred between 10 and 20 years. This means that the Parish Council has to find in the region of £10,000.00. Should the failure have occurred within 10 years we would have had no liability.

Funding Options

Having considered all options, Churt Parish Council passed a unanimous resolution at its meeting on 18th September that we should apply for a loan of £10,000 over a 20 year period from the Public Works Loan Board. This Board was specifically created for councils and public bodies to apply for loans for capital projects. The fixed interest rate will be in the region of 1.5% and there is always an option to repay the loan in full or part, early. Repayments would be in the region of £650 per annum, which would mean an increase of about £1 per household per annum on the council precept.

Consultation

As part of the application process for the above loan, we must hold a consultation which will last for four weeks. The clock will commence at 0001am on Monday 30th September 2019 and conclude at 1159pm on Sunday 27th October 2019. Details will also be included on the village website at www.churt.org and any comments should be directed to churt_pc@btinternet.com or via the contact option on the website. I can assure you that we have explored all options and this is the most cost effective solution.

Fund Raising for Pavilion

If any users of the pavilion or any village organisations wish or feel able to raise funds for the replacement of the pavilion roof any donations will be gratefully accepted and used to help to repay any loan taken out by Churt Parish Council.

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Addition - 28th September 2019

Donation received for pavilion roof replacement

Churt Pavilion Roof Replacement

Since the last newsletter was published, we are delighted to tell you that we have received a £1000.00 donation towards the replacement cost of the pavilion roof. This is an incredibly generous gesture made by a local charity which wishes to remain anonymous. I am sure that you will all join me in expressing our heartfelt and grateful thanks.

The pavilion actually belongs to Churt Recreation Ground Trust, a registered charity and is managed by Churt Parish Council as trustee. Funding for the running and maintenance of it comes from user contributions and the remainder by way of grant from Churt Parish Council.

This donation has "kick started" an effort to raise more funds for the roof replacement. Though the tiles are guaranteed and will be replaced free we have a liability to provide half of the installation cost which will be close to £10,000.00. To that end, please may I appeal to you all to consider further sources of income? Any ideas, thoughts or indeed pledges of support or donations, can be channelled to Churt Parish Council via churt_pc@btinternet.com or by phone to our clerk Dawn Barrow on 01428 714375 or 07766 190201 or via the village website www.churt.org.

Thank you.

David Crossley. Chairman

The next meetings of the Churt Parish Council and Recreation Ground Trust will take place on Weds 16th October 2019 in the pavilion at 7.30pm