

# HAWKHURST COMMUNITY CENTRE CONSULTATION RESPONSE FORM



## January 2020

We are keen to hear your views on the draft design of the proposed new Community Centre for Hawkhurst.

The draft design has been developed over the past year, with input from local groups, organisations and HCT 2018. For background information, FAQ's and the designs please see the website [www.hawkhurst-pc.gov.uk](http://www.hawkhurst-pc.gov.uk).

We are seeking your general views, ideas and suggestions so feel free to comment on anything. We would also like you to consider some specific points.

### 1. What do you feel about the general design?

To meet the architect brief (developed with public input) and with site constraints (such as TPO trees, retaining the football pitches, conservation area etc.) we have designed a two story building with a "Kent Design" – What do you think?

### 2. The Main Hall is a key element – have we got it right?

Advice from theatre companies is to provide a performance space in a community centre rather than a stage – what do you think?

The main hall / performance space can be divided up, into three meeting rooms.

Is the main hall too big at 220 or too small?

### 3. Studio and dry changing

Especially if you use studios (Aerobics, Dance, Tai Chi etc.) What do you think of the dry changing upstairs next to the studio? – is this required or a nice to have?

**4. Café / Kitchen**

How big do you think the café should be – 20 seats, 30 seats or more / or less?

The kitchen is designed to serve the café and a major event in the hall.

Do you think this will work for you?

**5. Costs / Funding**

Until the design is finalised and costed we cannot confirm the cost, but we will fund it through a mix of Council funds, developer contributions, grants and public a loan.

Before we can take a public loan we will do a “village poll” to decide whether the residents of the parish are prepared to accept an increase in the precept to cover the cost of loan repayments. At the moment the estimated additional cost is in the region of a “Christmas festive cup of coffee” or two per month, per average property, between £3.50 - £7.00.

Do you think this is acceptable? Too much? Are you prepared to pay more per month?

**6. General**

Please feel free to add general comments, ideas, suggestions. Add an extra page if you wish  
Is there anything we have missed? Anything you think we don't need?

Please return the response forms to Hawkhurst Library or The Parish Office or email [parish.clerk@hawkhurst-pc.gov.uk](mailto:parish.clerk@hawkhurst-pc.gov.uk).

The consultation Feedback Report will include a summary of all comments explaining why they have been included in the revised design and if not, the reason why not.

If you are interested in receiving more information please clearly include your email address below, our Data Protection Policy is available on [www.hawkhurst-pc.gov.uk](http://www.hawkhurst-pc.gov.uk)

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**Thank you.**