

The Scout Hut

1. Windows

The kitchen window was replaced by a double glazed unit in 2009. The interior surround of the windows has not been completed. The bars are still in place and advice from the insurers needs to be sort as to their necessity with the new window.

It will cost £185 each (£370) to purchase the other two front windows if we fit them ourselves and £325 each (£650) if we have them fitted.

Each side windows will cost £245 if we fit them ourselves and £380 to have fitted.

We have received a grant from Stotfold Town Council of £520 for replacement windows.

Propose we go ahead with the two front windows and one of the side windows at a cost of £1030 (that is £520 from the Council and £510 from our funds. There are so many other jobs which need doing that it would be better to get the windows fitted.

The following year we have the remaining four side windows fitted at a cost of £1520.

2. Rear wall outside cladding

The rear wall of the Scout Hut was patched up with plywood in 2008. This is now warping and splitting and is probably not weather resistant.

On inspection, a proportion of the existing feather edge board is rotten. We may have to consider replacing all the outer cladding.

The cost of new feather edge timber to cover the rear of the Scout Hut is about £500.

Propose we consider tackling this work during the summer months next year.

3. Kitchen

Replacement of the cooker. Pete Cheney has offered his old one after November.

Propose we accept.

4. Toilets

Male toilets would benefit from having a soap dispenser and hot and hand dryer.

Propose we investigate the cost and the viability of fitting a drying onto the present electrical system.

5. Old Guide cupboard

This space is not utilised. Presently it is used to store snooker table, mats and old carpets. The carpets take up all the floor areas and prevent other items being placed in the store.

Propose we re-think this space and make it a winter project.

6. Floor

The floor in the main hall is made up of 30cm square tiles which are stuck down. Possible movement or shrinkage of the under floor structure has resulted in four areas of concern.

- a. A line along the middle and running the full length of the hall.
- b. A line across the hall in the middle
- c. An area of 4 tiles near the flag
- d. A line on the left side of the hall near the second and third radiators

The cost of replacing the floor has been guessed at between £2,000 and £20,000. Also there has been a comment that the existing tiles may contain asbestos.

7. Computer room

Dependant on the outcome of the IT debate, but should not be filled with rubbish.

Associated Scout Hut buildings

8. Portacabin

The use of this space needs to be reviewed. The building issues are

- New roof membrane
- Top fascia panels replaced to achieve weather proofing.
- Rear interior wall re-painted once structure is water proof.
- Side door access to be improved

Propose we remove or significantly reduce the hedge.

- Access to the door with the "code" lock.

Walking from the rear door of the Scout Hut is over mud.

Investigate a suitable path and materials to allow access from the rear of the Scout Hut and access from the front.

9. Stores Extension (Container)

There are no issues with the storage container itself, which is now watertight and has electrical lighting.

How is the area in front of the container where the door opens needs to be prepared? It either needs to be dug out to a depth of 6" – 9" and paving laid or the container need to be lifted up and higher pillars placed under it.

10. Garage 1

This building appears to be watertight. It houses the wooden tables, trestles and benches, metal boundary posts and lots of stuff at the back!!!! ***No action needed just a tidy up.***

11. Shed 1 (in between the garages) Approx 6' x 4'

The shed appears to be water tight. The window is broken. The door frame and support are broken and the door does not close properly.

Contains: nothing.

12. Garage 2

Roof to be repaired. Contains: tables, crockery, more tables, skies, and more stuff!

This needs to be one of our urgent projects. Until this is complete we cannot move other equipment around.

13. Shed 2 Approx 6' x 5'

Appears to be water proof and in reasonable state of repair. Door fits and is locked.

Contains: 57 chairs and 5 karts.

14. Shed 3 Approx 6' x 5'

Appears to be watertight but has lots of ivy growing over it and inside.

Contains: sand pit, 4 old mats, shelving unit, full height cupboard, half height cupboard, bench.