

Report To CHAFT Committee - October 2022.

Hall Report.

Longer Term - Hall improvements & Energy Audit

The hall modernisation quote from the independent professional Ed Heaton Ltd. was considered costly, therefore the CHAFT committee agreed that we should get alternative quotes. We were not able to get alternative quotes for a similar work package at the time.

We contacted Monard Electrical Contractors of Oxford, who have previously carried out a number of free consulting in that they have carried out detailed energy audits in the Oxford area. The intention has been to make energy improvements in buildings. Unfortunately, we have had not reply.

We decided therefore to obtain quotes from local firms to modernise the Hall with the intention of improving the halls insulation, reduce running cost and general modernisation. At this stage we did obtain a number of quotations for new air conditioning plant, installing a false ceiling with new insulation, new double glazing at all windows and installation of new modern wall heaters.

Next, we approached the Low Carbon Hub in combination with Oxford Brooks University and Westmill Solar Co-operative to carry out a community building energy audit of the hall. We have had telephone conversations with the Low Carbon Hub and completed an application form for further consideration. Our application is currently being processed and we should in due course get an energy report. After that, a small sub-committee will consider what is needed for the hall and will produce a report, involving project management and funding, for consideration by Trustees.

BROADBAND

Following AirBand deciding not to progress with installation of their network into Charney Bassett we will need to relook at BT installation.

HALL HIRE

Following the recent rise in energy costs for businesses it was decided, by an email vote, to raise the hall hire charge to £10 per hour for all hirers. The booking form now reflects this change and gives 15 minutes for set up and clearing up any additional time will need to be paid for.