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FACT SHEET

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# The Hiltingbury Pavilion

The Parish Council is aware that some misinformation is circulating about the proposed development of the Hiltingbury Pavilion. Please note that the project is currently at planning stage. If planning consent is given by Eastleigh Borough Council, the Parish will then put the project out to tender. Should the tenders exceed current financial limits, full Council could vote not to proceed.

**1** Refurbishment or rebuild on the existing footprint would not be commercially viable. It would not attract grant funding and would cost parishioners more in the long-run.

**2** **The options are:**

- **Do nothing** – maintain @ £25k p.a (Minimal or no income)
- **Re-build as is** – Over £550k (reserves) from your precept (Minimal income and competition with 'The Hilt' for bookings)
- **Develop facilities with sports hall** - £350k from the Parish Council, unlocking £402k Eastleigh Borough Council funding and c.£900k affordable finance based on a low occupancy revenue model.

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- 3** The proposed sports hall location is on the south-west side, facing the recreation ground because the land is 2m lower, therefore reducing the roof height impact.
- 4** The position of the hall uses the most unsuitable grass/sub-soil/drainage quality area without disturbing or requiring costly major drainage engineering.
- 5** A four-court hall provides the best financial option, sports usage and revenue return. As well as the sports hall, three fitness areas will be available; one large fitness/dance studio and two smaller rooms providing multiple fitness spaces for all to enjoy.
- 6** The additional space taken from the poor quality area of the ground is minimal.
- 7** Car parking issues have dramatically reduced since the introduction of time restrictions. Additional planned spaces and cycle storage will add sufficient parking for the new facility.



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- 8** A temporary car park for developers will be sited near the junction of Hiltingbury Road and Ashdown Road next to the MUGA. There will not be heavy or frequent movements and is unlikely to cause traffic issues at this junction. This approach will reduce vehicle movements near the construction site.
- 9** Eastleigh Borough Council research shows a shortfall in sports facilities even when the new Fleming Park opens.
- 10** The suggestion of using school facilities does not provide sufficient flexibility to ensure regular managed public access with the necessary safe guarding.
- 11** The 'Basement' facility is currently occupied by the SOCO Music Project on a short-term lease from Eastleigh Borough Council. EBC have identified this land for potential development.
- 12** The Parish continues to invest in other facilities. E.g. the budget for the replacement of play area assets has been £50k p.a. for the last three years.



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The Parish Council has considered all measures to reduce both the visual impact and encroachment impact on nearby facilities and user groups. It has consulted with Eastleigh Borough Council, experienced planners, architects and engineers to ensure the best outcomes and future proofing possible since January 2016.



Parishioners have been kept informed of the development proposals via three Parish newsletters, the Borough News and the leaflet which accompanied every Council Tax bill 2017/18. Meetings at every stage have been held in public with prior notice given on the Parish website and official Parish noticeboards.



We are listening and consulting and will be using social media to reach more people over the coming weeks. Your views are important as the Parish Council works hard to deliver better services and facilities to Chandler's Ford residents.



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