



**OCLC Questionnaire review meeting**

**Present:-** Cllrs Antill, D Warren, M Warren

**Other:** Kelly Grove (Clerk), Dale Pearce (Caretaker)

Apologies:- Cllr Antill-Holmes (work)

Main points raised from questionnaire

Comments:-

* 4 against spending money on OCLC
* 5 specifically against closing centre - Great resource/ asset/ local facility
* Re name as a parish centre would be less divisive - as it comes across as an Oakthorpe building – needs to be a community building.
* Not clear it is a LC from outside
* Not clear what is there when driving past
* Building is not eye catching – easily missed
* Lots do not know what is on/going on at OCLC – sign outside?
* Marketing and publicity need greatly improving
* Lack of space inside
* Parking issues raised when centre is in use in the evenings.
* MUGA needs updating - tired
* Pub/bar – getting a licence for site
* Community events – movie night, bands, team competitions
* Suggestions for courses wanted – noted by caretaker
* Make office space for people to rent out

**Other matters to consider:-**

OAFC accept showers might be removed – aware of costings. Clerk has sort advice. No showers needed unless we provide a swimming pool/ gym/ back-to-back workout class

Note – tank would need made smaller if showers not used, but water will still be needed for kitchen/bathrooms.

ACFC is in a league they access to changing rooms or council could lose ACFC

Not enough football grounds available – council have a club wanting more field time.

NWLDC are looking into process to change name to a Parish Community building. Clerk will inform council once information is known.

**Other suggestions**

Re-open as a community event – football competition?

Extend flat ground outside hall to be able to add a marque for events (with bar) parties/weddings/funerals

**Next steps:-**

* Costs/ grants – business plan to see if viable

Clerk to contact VAL about costing to produce a business plan

* OCLC working party to provide a thing to do list:-

1. Free
2. Things that do not cost too much
3. Things that need grant support

Council needs to consider Closing the centre will still incur costs for:-

* Insurance
* Security
* Building & Grounds maintenance
* Water
* Possible – legionella testing
* Ground rent
* Clerk office space/ electricity/
* Council storage for MVAS equipment /paperwork