

Sturry Social Centre Improvement Proposals Questionnaire

Your name

Your contact (tel. or email)

Improvement 1 Make access into the table and chair store easier

The Problems
Access to the whole storage area is through a narrow doorway at one end of the store. It is difficult to manouvre stacks of chairs through the doorway and stored tables and chairs have to be moved out before anyone can get t the back of the store.

The solution
Take out the existing door and part of the adjacent wall and install a set of 3 folding doors providing a 2.7 m wide opening and completely level threhold. This will make it much easier to get the tables and chairs in and out and will allow us to make much better use of the space.

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b	would it encourage you to attend activities	no	a little	quite a lot	very much		
c	Would it encourage you to hire the centre	no	a little	quite a lot	very much		

Do you have any other suggestions or comments for this proposal?

Improvement 2 Provide a more servicable kitchen

The Problem
The kitchen is very small and narrow. It is difficult for people to work together particularly around the serving areas and in and out of the doorway. There is no dishwasher or extractor hood and the whole installation does not lend itself to catering for maore than afew people and the serving hatches are arkward to reach resulting so that most food needs to be carried in and out through the doorway. Ventilation is poor.

The Solution
Widen the kitchen by removing one row of storage cupboards and the 400mm wide wall dividing the kitchen from the small meeting room. This will provide more circulation space in the hitchen, improve ventilation and allow for the provision of a wide serving counter into the small meeting room. Relocation of the doorway will reduce the distance food has to be carried into the main hall. Install a commercial (3 minute cycle) dishwasher and an extractor hood.

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Improvement 3 Make the small meeting room a better venue

The Problem	The meeting room has been encroached into by cupboards for storage. The main traffic in and out of the kitchen crosses the meeting room diagonally. This gets in the way of setting out tables and chairs for meetings and for use of the area as a refectory, so seating and serving areas for food and drink often have to be provided in the main hall. The space is gloomy with only one high level window and the decor is very utilitarian and dated.
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The Solution	The kitchen improvements will make serving food much easier and removal of some cupboards will make more space. Moving the kitchen entrance will take foot traffic to one edge of the room freeing up space for tables and chairs. The provision of a glass emergency access (see proposal 4) will let in more natural light and give a direct view and access to the outside. New flooring planned for the hall and meeting room will greatly improve the overall appearance of the space.
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Improvement 4 Provide a new emergency access

The Problem	The existing emergency access has a high step and is extremely difficult to negotiate for any one with impaired mobility. Wheel chairs cannot use this exist without two ablebodied assistants, these are not always available where groups using the hall are generally elderly. The main entrance, if it could be reached in an emergency has a high threshold and difficult to negotiate in a hurry.
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The Solution	Provision of a new wide emergency exit from the small meeting room with a level threshold. The level access would be continued along the outside of the centre to the car park
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