

THERE'S WAS A HOLE IN OUR ROOF!

Dear All,

The Village Hall Committee is delighted to be able to say, the hole in our roof is no more!

You will recall, our 111-year-old roof was in dire need of some serious TLC. Well, it's now better than new with two layers of insulation AND a new breathable and waterproof membrane sitting just under the rehung tiles.



What has all this all cost? Well, the roof/insulation costs are working out at around £25,986. We did find the old chimney that served the open fireplace in the old Committee Room was in poor shape, so we took the opportunity to remove it down to below the roof line and we ended up replacing the asbestos tiles from over the committee room. The cost of Solar Roof Panels and 10kwh battery fitted, is round about £21,120.

As you might expect, we went looking for some help with funding this project. We had been hoping for a £12,000 grant from the ACRE Platinum Jubilee Village Hall Fund, but after a lot of form filling and rushing around getting letters and paperwork from various bodies, we were unsuccessful due to the lease we have with the Church not meeting the grant criteria!

With the Parish Council having very kindly pledged us £5,000, we turned to asking you our community for help, and my word you didn't disappoint us! The Football Club, Cloverleaf Productions, The Bowls Club, the Art Group, the Book Club and The Ilminster Ukulele Clubs Show, the Horticultural Society along with many, many of our community members all came forward with donations, in total we raised over £11,840, and the donations are still trickling in I'm glad to say. So, a **BIG THANK YOU to you all**, and here's to a warm, dry and energy sustainable village hall for many years to come.

Ian Croucher, Village Hall Treasurer.

Please feel free to contact Ian our Treasurer on 01460 64098 or you can email csnvillagehall@hotmail.com for more information or if you would like to make a donation as well. Many, thanks for taking the time to read this and for your support for our lovely little village hall, a real community asset to be proud of.