A summary of work to date on improvements to the Field and Hall 2019 to present.

Phase 1 and 2

Plans informed by :

Village plan 2017

Community survey/school competition summer 19

Comments invited at Village Day 2019

Desire to attract new users to field.

First results

Plans to cater for all ages and abilities.

21/22 Playpark installed including accessible equipment, picnic benches including wheelchair accessible tables, game benches, sensory seating area and garden. Total cost £130,000

Spring '24 basketball pitch and hoop, benches

Legal work – changing charity to CIO with all new documents; obtaining Title Absolute

Total cost £5000

Total cost £10,000

Phase 3 building on phase 1 and 2

Summer 21 Consultation with village re potential development of Community Centre

Leading to plans to refurbish Community Centre to include cladding the roof and walls, creating a studio space, a village café area, refurbishing toilets to include an accessible toilet, increasing storage.

Aim to raise £250,000 - £350,000

Currently (November 23) applying for Planning permission and Quantity Surveying

Cost so far £10.000

Outcomes so far

All ages park created, youth games area ready to go in Spring 24, football club using park, large pickleball club catering for ages up to 80 +

Increased usage of the field and hall combatting isolation and improving village cohesion.

Village has become desirable for young families increasing sustainability of local primary school.

A volunteer garden team

Potential future Users/services

Dementia café/singing; baby and toddler group; internet café; children's reading groups- more use by school; Young Farmers; Wildlife groups bird, bat, insects; farmers markets; Repair shop; art groups; yoga; keep fit activities aimed at the various age groups in village; new consultation events, conferences and small meetings.

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