

Council Chamber and Mayors Parlour working group

14/02/2019

Attendees:

Facilities Manager, Tony Misson

Cllr D. Ambler

Cllr I. Goldsworthy

Cllr J. Pascoe

Cllr J. Smith

Cllr C. Whitty

The working group discussed the current use and layout of the rooms, before considering the impact of the recent improvements in access and potential future uses.

Council Chamber.

Items discussed included the current furniture, the possibility of alternative flexible furniture, layouts, the plinth, the acoustics (the potential for a suspended ceiling), redecoration, power points and display equipment.

Mayor's Parlour

Items discussed included enlarging the room by including the members room, allowing the room to be used for more meetings (whilst retaining its character), moving the Council Chamber table (2.4m x2.2m) to the room and redecoration.

Other items raised included improving accessibility to the Quimperle room.

After discussion the working group agreed two proposals:

Proposal 1:

Investigate the practicality and cost of removing the plinth and top table (making use of the existing tables to provide for meetings). Remove the 2 tables at the rear of the room to provide more seating room. The provision of additional power points and a projector or large LCD monitor for display of plans etc. The redecoration of room to a standard befitting the Council Chamber.

Proposal 2:

Investigate the practicality and cost of enlarging the Mayor's Parlour by the removal of the partition between it and the members room, in addition the cost of making good, redecoration and replacement of carpets etc.