

# 2022 Community Hall Engagement



## Executive Summary

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This report summarizes feedback gathered from the Community Open House on July 23, 2022, and results from the 2022 Community Hall Survey.

The Open House focused on engagement related to the planned upgrades to the Ghost Lake community hall and learning ways the hall can be made more accessible and aligned with the vision of the overall community. It was attended by around 30 villagers. The 2022 Community Hall Survey was sent to the villagers to get further feedback and ideas for the community hall upgrade. The survey recorded an overall 26 responses which have been summarized in this document.

## Navigating this document

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This document is divided into two parts. The first part highlights the responses we received from our engagement session during the July 23rd Open House. The second part of the document displays the feedback received from the 2022 Community Hall Survey. All responses are listed in a randomised order.



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# Community Open House Results



## Vision for the new Community Hall

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Villagers were asked what their vision is for the new Community Hall.

- Capacity to accommodate high-volume social gatherings and events such as wedding receptions
  - Capacity limits should also account for bathroom capacity to account for the number of people that access the hall
  - Should account for noise restrictions (i.e. end all events at a certain time)
- Potential location to host Summer Village of Ghost Lake events (e.g. Farmers markets, community markets, games and other activities)
- Keep the community hall accessible for small community-focused events
- Make the hall available for villagers to rent - for events

## Community Hall purpose

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Villagers were asked what uses the Community Hall should serve.

- Space for programs, activities, and games for the villagers
  - E.x. Pool table, shuffleboard table, TV for watching sporting events, etc
  - Community focused events



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## Accessibility

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Villagers were asked how the Community Hall can be made more accessible.

- Regulate building temperature at a comfortable level to encourage more use of the hall and library during colder weather
- Flexibility for event rentals (i.e., performances, entertainment, markets, etc) to encourage people to rent the facility
- Only allowing villagers to rent the facility
- Imposing an age limit for facility access and activities such as pool

## Suggestions/Feedback

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- If renting the hall, there should be a cleaning cost added to ensure that the Community Hall is kept in good shape regularly
- The village should look into the noise aspect when making decisions regarding the Community Hall expansion and renting for events



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# Community Hall Survey Feedback



## Vision for the new Community Hall

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Village common place to gather, hang out, play games and entertainment

An accessible place for all community members

Multi-purpose community center for resident use and rentals

Sustainable building with minimized carbon footprint

Space for community members to host events such as potlucks and game nights

Space for games (Games room)

Simple and accessible space for essential gatherings such as Council meetings and Regatta

Minimal changes to the current hall, with minor renovations to uplift the space such as adding more games, and TV

\*Keep renovation simple and at a sustainable cost\*

Keep the building as is with minor renovations.

Movie night-styled events

Improved acoustics for meetings and presentations

# What is the purpose of the community hall?

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Recreation, games, and a place for relaxation

The social gathering place for daily activities such as pool or ping pong.

Space for events such as Council meetings, Regatta, courses/information sessions

Drop-in use for residents

Rental space for events and parties

Library

Equipment storage

Family and community gatherings

Space to hold educational talks/workshops for children and adults

A space for important events as well as indoor entertainment suitable for all ages, and a quiet space section

A place to hold meetings and community functions only

Housing community vehicles and important village equipment

Exclusive space for village residents

# How can we make the community hall more accessible for villagers?

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Implementing a door keypad/lock system

The community hall is currently very accessible for most villagers

Implementing a system where space needs to be booked in order for someone to use it

Use bulletin boards, emails, Facebook, and the village website to inform villagers about events and community hall-related news

Move the defibrillator to a more accessible area such as the library

Designated drop-in area: couches, seating space.

Opportunities for villagers to schedule community activities

Social media outreach

## Other comments/feedback:

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Create strict pre-rental contract expectations on how the hall is used to ensure it remains in a satisfactory state after use

Install cameras on-premises to allow for security monitoring

Keep the community hall simple

Install solar panels to improve the sustainability aspect

Renovations should be minor and simple to keep the community hall close to its current state

Make the community hall easily manageable for a volunteer community

Introduce community programs and events for villagers to be involved in

Implement more detailed surveys to produce accurate feedback from the community

Create proper guidelines for the usage of the community hall and minimize the impact on villagers and facilities by limiting the number of large events

Add a deck on the roof of the community hall building to create a space with views of the lake and mountain

## Thank You

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We would like to thank all of the villagers for providing their input. The comments from the Community Open House and the Survey will be used in conjunction with more future public engagement to help us with the planning process for the Community Hall. These responses are not indicative of current policy.

If you support or are opposed to any of the suggestions made, or would like to provide further feedback on the Community Hall project, please email our administration. Our goal is to work with the community and get your input so that the future use of the Community Hall reflects the interests and needs of the village.