

# FORM 1: FIRST STAGE ELIGIBILITY CHECK

Name of Group: Branscombe Pavilion

## Application Eligibility

Criteria	Yes	No
Is the application form <i>complete</i> ?	X	
Is the form <i>signed</i> ?	X	

## Group Eligibility

Criteria	Yes	No
Is the group a registered charity and standard Village Hall?	X	
Is there a copy of the group's governing document? E.g. trust deed, mem & arts, constitution.	X	
Is there a long-term lease (i.e., 28 yrs or more from time of application) or is the land free-hold?	X	
Is there a copy of the most recent annual accounts?	X	
Is there less than one year's running costs in reserve?		X

## Project Eligibility

Is it an admissible type of project?	X	
Are there drawings or builders specifications, if applicable?	X	
Is the proposal not solely for land purchase?	X	
Have the works not yet started? NB: earlier phases and professional fees are admissible.	X	
Is it for capital works only?	X	
Will there be likely spend in 12 months from time of approval?	X	

## Costs Eligibility

Are there 3 quotes or a 'bill of quantities'? Q23	X	
Is the grant requested no larger than £5,000?	X	
Is the overall project no larger than £750,000?	X	
a. Is the grant requested no larger than 1/3 of the overall project costs?	X	
b. Is there 1/3 of the funds from the group? NB. This is flexible, as long as the whole 2/3 is not from sole, large source e.g. lottery	X	
Do funding gained and cost of project match?	X	

### ASSESSOR Comments:

They have a significant amount of money in reserves, they are keeping some of this to replace the heating system in the hall itself when it fails. They have three quotes for the building supplies, the labour will be donated. Currently don't have planning permission.

# FORM 2: PRIORITY ASSESSMENT

Minimum score for each = 0, Maximum score for each = 5

	ITEM	Max. Score	Score Given
1	<b>To what extent is the hall, itself, needed by the local community?</b>	<b>5</b>	2
Comments: There is also Branscombe Village Hall near the proposed site for the Pavilion, this is very well used by a wide variety of groups. The majority of use of the Pavilion will be by the Cricket Club for their 20 home matches each year and training, although others will use it sometimes including the school and the wider community would be able to hire it, with it providing a smaller and more affordable meeting / class option. The main use would appear to be for a changing rooms and toilets for multiple outdoor sports activities, whereas this fund can only really take into account the uses of the building itself.			
2	<b>To what extent are the works needed?</b>	<b>5</b>	2
Comments: The current Pavilion building is an old shed, which does need improving. The current shed doesn't have changing facilities or toilets. There is also a very well used village hall in Branscombe, which is the main community building. The main use would appear to be for a changing rooms and toilets for multiple outdoor sports activities, whereas this fund can only take into account the uses of the building itself. There would be some use of the kitchen and lounge area by other groups.			
3	<b>To what extent has the project been developed with community support?</b>	<b>5</b>	4
Comments: The cricket club have developed the project. The Village Hall are supportive, and the project has been developed with the school. They posted the project on Facebook and had numerous supportive messages.			
4	<b>How well is the project planned (including works, advice and disability access)?</b>	<b>5</b>	3
Comments: The project is well planned. However, a planning application has been submitted, but no decision has been made as yet. This decision is due on 30 August.			
5	<b>How realistic is the funding package?</b>	<b>5</b>	2
Comments: They have £5,000 of funding in from an external grants provider and are contributing £10,000 themselves. The parish council has not contributed. There is a £5,464 shortfall, which they are hoping to raise from local residents and groups but haven't yet.			
<b>Total Score:</b>		<b>25</b>	13

## ASSESSOR Comments:

They don't know whether they have planning permission yet. They have a shortfall of £5,464. The main use of the Pavilion would be to provide changing rooms and shower facilities for outdoor sports, whereas this fund is more about use of the community buildings themselves.

# FORM 3: SUMMARY SHEET FOR COMMITTEE

Name of Hall:

Branscombe Pavilion

Branscombe want to renew and improve the pavilion building in the village. Although this would greatly increase the use of the field, we can't take this into account. We can only take into account the uses of the building. The majority of use will be by the Cricket Club, although others will use it sometimes including the school. There is a well used village hall within Branscombe as well. This Pavilion could provide a smaller, more affordable meeting space, but would mainly be used for its changing room and toilets.

Although the hall would be left with significantly over a years running costs in reserve, they have plans to spend this on renewing the heating system in the village hall when it fails. They don't have planning permission, we would need to ensure that they have planning permission before saying we'll give them a grant. Also, they still have to raise £5,464 towards the project, which they're hoping to raise locally.

Total Project Cost:

£28,464

Award Requested

£5,000

Recommendation

£

Funding Package:

Unconfirmed Funds:

£0

Shortfall:

£5,464

<u>Funds Applied For or Raised</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>In hand? Yes, No, or Unsuccessful</u>
Hall contribution	£10,000	Y
Parish council	Have not asked	
Grant:		
From locals	£3,000	Y
Freddie Green Charitable Foundation	£5,000	Y
<b>Total (if we give our grant)</b>	<b>£23,000</b>	

Priority Scoring:

ITEM	SCORE (0-5)
1. Need for Hall	2
2. Need for proposed works	2
3. Local support	4
4. Planning of project	3
5. Funding package	2
<b>TOTAL SCORE:</b>	<b>13</b>

Assessment Summary:

# East Devon District Council

## Community Building Fund Application Form

### 2019 / 2020

Please read the guidance notes thoroughly before completing the application form.

**IMPORTANT- If your application is incomplete by the deadline, it will not be assessed and will be returned to you.**

#### Data Protection

Any personal information which you provide will be held and used by East Devon District Council for the purpose of your grant application. Your information will be held temporarily by SNAP Surveys Ltd who provide the software used for the application. Your information may also be shared within East Devon District Council for the purposes of carrying out our lawful functions. Otherwise your personal information will not be disclosed to anybody outside East Devon District Council without your permission, unless there is a lawful reason to do so, for example disclosure is necessary for crime prevention or detection purposes. Your information will be held securely and will not be retained for any longer than is necessary. There are a number of rights available to you in relation to our use of your personal information, depending on the reason for processing.

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#### Eligibility checklist

**1 Please answer the following questions. If you answer 'No' to any of them your project isn't eligible for this funding.**

**If your answer is 'No' to any of these and still submit an application, your application will not be considered and will be returned to you.**

	Yes	No	Does not apply
Does your total project cost between £4,500 and £750,000?	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Is your application to us for between £1,500 and £5,000?	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Do you have the vast majority of your match funding from other sources in place?	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Is your community building or community shop in an area not covered by a town council?	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Is your community building or community shop in East Devon?	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
If the application is for a community building, is it used by a minimum of three separate and distinct user groups?	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Do you have permission from all the relevant organisations and people to carry out the project?	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Is your project a capital project for non-removable items (not to help with running costs, routine repair or maintenance nor removable items such as chairs and crockery)? Please refer to guidance.	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**2 Have you been awarded funding through our Community Buildings Grants scheme in the last two years?**

- ☐ Yes - if yes, you aren't eligible for this funding
- ☒ No

## **A - Your contact details**

**3 Name of your community building:**

Branscombe Village Hall Sports Pavilion

**4 What Parish is your community building in?**

**Community buildings in Town Council areas are not eligible.**

Branscombe

The contact details below will be removed before the application is made public as part of the agenda and minutes of the decision making meeting. Please see section F and the start of the questionnaire for further information.

**5 Main contacts name, position on the Committee, and address (including postcode):**

**6 Main contacts phone number:**

**7 Main contacts e-mail (IN BLOCK CAPITALS):**

## B - The legal status and management of your community building

### 8 Are you a registered charity?

- ☒ Yes
- ☐ No - please move onto question 9

If yes, what is your number?

300776

### 9 Is your governing document a....

- ☐ Trust Deed
- ☐ Conveyance
- ☐ Lease
- ☒ Charity Commission Scheme
- ☐ Other - please write in below:

### 10 In whom is the property vested? E.g. who are the holding/ custodian trustees?

- ☒ Named trustees
- ☐ Parish Council
- ☐ Official Custodian for Charities

### 11 Is your community building:

- ☒ Freehold
- ☐ Leasehold - please tell us how many years remain on the lease:

### 12 Are there any restrictive covenants in your governing document?

- ☐ Yes
- ☒ No - please move onto question 13

If yes, please specify:

## **C - About your project**

### **13 Are there any other community buildings in the parish? If so, please tell us what they are and explain why the community building you are applying on behalf of is needed as well as the others.**

The only existing community building is the main Branscombe Village Hall. The new building will replace an ageing prefabricated shed on the playing fields behind the Village Hall. The existing structure is, unfortunately, reaching the end of its life, showing significant signs of aging with part of the foundations sinking, the base of the walls rotting and much expenditure needed on the roof, exterior decking and handrails. Whilst used regularly by the Cricket Club, the nature of the existing building meant that it was rarely used by other local groups, meaning the playing field is also very much underutilised. We have therefore designed a new, multi-purpose Pavilion that not only meets the needs of the Cricket Club, but is also suitable for use by a large number of local groups.

### **14 Please explain in detail how regularly is your community building used and who uses it?**

The Cricket Club currently uses the old, existing shed for matches and practice approximately 30 times a year. It is also used on major Village Events such as the Harvest Fair or Bonfire night. The new building will be suitable to be used by a much larger range of organisations, meaning the playing fields will be used more regularly:

- The School - sports, lessons or other outdoor learning opportunities
- Local Playgroups
- Local Social Groups
- Local Youth Cricket Teams, e.g. Devon and East Devon Under 10-U14
- Tennis Clubs or competitions
- Five a side Football Clubs, goalposts already exist
- Netball Club
- Harvest Fair
- Bonfire Night
- Children's Birthday Parties etc
- Social bookings from external parties

### **15 What is your project?**

**Please check the rules to make sure your project is eligible. In particular we can't fund routine maintenance and repair costs.**

To build a multi-purpose use Community Sports Pavilion on Branscombe Playing Fields behind the Village Hall.

**16 Why do you want to carry out this project, why is it needed and what difference will it make?**

The Village Hall has recently invested large sums in providing wonderful community facilities to the Village residents and visitors including Tennis Courts and a Playground. However, the extensive playing fields remain underutilised, largely as a result of a lack of changing facilities. We want to encourage local people, especially young people, to use the playing fields more often. Unfortunately this is not possible with the current dilapidated shed. A new, modern Pavilion, with changing rooms, a WC and a large lounge area and kitchen will encourage a much wider group of organisations to use the playing fields. It is expected that Branscombe Village School will use it regularly to encourage more physical activity and also as an outside classroom. We have also had enquiries from individuals excited by the project and looking to start a Village Tennis Club, Netball Club (using the Tennis Courts) and a Five - a Side Football Club once the project is completed. The field is also a wonderful, beautiful, calm place for many other local groups to meet and enjoy.

**17 How do you know this work is needed? Who and how have you consulted?**

The whole Village has been consulted through the Branscombe Facebook Group and Parish Magazine with only highly favourable comments. The Parish Council unanimously support the project.

**18 Has planning approval been given?**

- ☐ Yes- Planning application reference: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Not required
- ☒ No- If no, why not:  
Application currently awaiting decision: 21/1852/FUL

**19 Has building regulation approval been given?**

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ Not required
- ☒ No- If no, why not:  
Will be once planning has been approved.

**20 When do you intend to start this project and how long is work likely to take?**

We hope to commence work mid September, making the building watertight in 4 weeks. We will then fit out the interior over the winter, with completion by March 2022.



## D - Project costs and match funding

### 21 Can you claim the VAT back on any of your project costs?

- ☐ Yes - please apply for the costs without including the VAT you can claim back
- ☒ No - please apply for the project costs inclusive of VAT

### 22 Project costs (£)

Purchase of land

Purchase of building

Construction work 20249

Adaptation/ repair work

Fixtures and fittings 2000

Car park

Other (please specify below)

Professional Architect Fees 2825

Professional Surveyor Fees

Professional Solicitor Fees

Disability access audit

Safety planning supervisor

Planning application/ Building Regulations 890

VAT

Inflation/ contingency 2500

**Total Cost 28464**

**Please send us copies of quotations for the project, we would expect quotations from a minimum of three companies. If you don't send quotations you won't be eligible for the funding.**

### 23 Match Funding (£)

We do prefer to be final funder, please make sure you have at least the vast majority of your funding in place before applying

Grant you are requesting  
from EDDC 5000

Your contribution 10000

Grant from Parish Council- is  
this confirmed?

Other (please specify below  
and send evidence where  
possible) 13464

£5,000 received from Freddie Green Charitable  
Foundation. £8,464 to be raised from local individuals.  
£3000 so far pledged.

Total 28464

Shortfall 0

## **E - Your finances**

**Please send your most recent set of approved annual accounts to us**

## **F - East Devon District Councillor comments**

**24 Please ask your East Devon District Council Ward Member(s) for their comments on your project and write their name(s) and comment(s) in below:**

If you don't know who your EDDC Councillor is you can find out online here: [www.eastdevon.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/who-is-my-councillor/](http://www.eastdevon.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/who-is-my-councillor/)

Geoff Pook - "This looks like a fine project that I will be happy to support."

## Section F- Checklist

### 25 Please check that you have included / sent the following with your application:

- ☒ Copy of governing document
- ☒ Details of offers / grants from any other funder / organisation
- ☐ A minimum of 3 quotes for total project costs
- ☒ Copy of most recent set of approved annual accounts

#### Optional documents to send us:

- Photographs, specifications and drawings
- Extract from your Parish Plan / Neighbourhood Plan
- Evidence from consultation e.g. letters of support from users
- Other

Please send all accompanying information by post or by e-mail to us:

**Post:** Jamie Buckley, Engagement and Funding Officer, East Devon District Council, Knowle, Blackdown House, Border Road, Heathpark Industrial Estate, Honiton, EX14 1EJ

**E-mail:** [jbuckley@eastdevon.gov.uk](mailto:jbuckley@eastdevon.gov.uk)

### 26 Please click in the box below to indicate that you have understood that East Devon District Council is subject to Freedom of Information legislation. Unless your information is classed as confidential or protected under data protection legislation and policies it will be made public. This will be in the form of the agenda and minutes of the decision making meeting and to fit in with any other Freedom of Information requests. If any information you have given is exempt from disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, it may be redacted before the remainder is published.

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**If you don't tick this box your application can't go forward.**



### 27 Signature of applicant:



### 28 Date:

28/07/21

**Please complete this application form in full and click on the 'submit' button below to send your answers to us**

## **Branscombe Pavilion application**

### **Additional questions and answers**

- 1. It looks as though your annual running costs are around the £24,000 level and your general reserves (excluding those earmarked for future hall renovations) are £57,592. This would mean you have two years running costs in reserve? We do prefer the halls we fund to have one years running costs in reserve. Do you have any input / comments on this please?**

The Village Hall Committee are holding cash reserves to ensure the ageing heating systems could be quickly replaced should they fail. Discussions are currently on-going in respect of combining their replacement with a new air conditioning / air filtration system. It is hoped that this would restore the confidence of hall users in these new, Covid times and ensure good circulation and air quality without having to open hall windows, thereby reducing noise disturbance late at night to local residents. The reserves will also obviously reduce by £10,000 once the build commences, the amount of the Village Hall's contribution to the project. Whilst fully supportive of the project, the Village Hall Committee do not feel it is prudent to contribute any more than this given the potential high cost of replacing the heating systems. It was initially hoped that this contribution, along with private individual donations would be sufficient to complete the project but the recent near-doubling of building materials cost means there is now a significant shortfall. We are therefore highly reliant on this contribution from The EDDC Community Buildings Fund to ensure the project can go ahead.

- 2. Have you spoken to the local school, local playgroups etc? Is there a proven need / evidence for this new community building in addition to the current village hall? Please note we can't take into account increased use of the outside space, just the building itself. We would need to take into account whether your project would take sustainability / income away from the village hall itself.**

Please find attached a letter from the Co-Chair of Governors for the local school Federation. The pavilion was conceived as a multi-purpose community facility with the school at the forefront of these considerations and it has been designed in collaboration with them to ensure its suitability. The letter clearly shows the school's enthusiasm for the project and their intention to use the facility regularly. It gives them so many options and benefits that currently are not available to them with the existing hall. We strongly believe that the facility is much needed to provide a better, more varied educational experience for the children of the Village. It is expected that the new facility will perfectly compliment the existing Village Hall, providing a smaller, less expensive venue that will encourage a large number of local groups and individuals to use these community facilities that previously were not available therefore increasing revenues and sustainability of the Village Hall facilities as a whole.

- 3. We cannot take much account of how the project would increase the amount of use of the playing field, we would take a lot more account of how the project makes the community building itself more sustainable within its four walls. Please could you tell us a bit more about how the inside of the community building would potentially be used, how regularly and by whom?**

Along with the school, Branscombe Cricket Club will be the main users of the facility. The Club hosts approximately 20 home matches every year and in addition meet for practice evenings every week during the summer. The pavilion will give the Club essential changing and WC facilities that are sadly missing with the existing, ageing prefab and will enable the club to host post-match teas on the field.

**4. We do still need three quotes for the elements of the project that are parts of the cost, although the labour is voluntary (which is amazing!). Please could you provide three quotes for the building supplies etc.**

Please find attached additional quotations for building materials. It looks like we may be able to make a few savings by using a number of suppliers, although the Bradford's quote includes the required higher specification cladding compared to the other quotes.

**5. When do you expect the planning application to be decided on?**

The application (21/1852/FUL) was submitted on 5th July. Applications are usually processed within 6-8 weeks and therefore a decision is expected by 30th August. There has been an overwhelmingly positive community response to the plans with no objections whatsoever and therefore it is hoped that there will be no delays in receiving planning approval. It is hoped to commence construction on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> September as we need to get the building weatherproof before winter.

**6. Who owns the land where the Pavilion would be put? Do you have their permission? Who would own / be responsible for the building?**

The land is owned by the Village Hall Committee and the project has the full support of the Committee. The Village Hall Committee will own the new building with the Cricket Club responsible for its on-going maintenance.

**7. Would the building be open to anyone in the community to hire out very regularly? Any groups?**

The building will most definitely be open to anyone in the community to hire out. Its proximity to the playing field makes it an ideal venue for children's parties. In addition, over the years there have been some people who wanted to use the hall for exercise classes (Pilates / yoga) but to pay to hire the hall for a half day eventually proved too expensive for the small number of people who would attend in a small village. It is hoped that if the pavilion were available to hire on a different basis (e.g. hourly rate) then the smaller space would be enough for these groups and the fee would be more reasonable. We understand that the yoga group liked to be on the field if possible but needed the hall if the weather was bad. We have also had confirmation from a Village resident of their intention to set up a Village Tennis Club with weekly club meetings (please see attached letter) once the facility is open. We have also received informal inquiries concerning the setting up of Netball and Five-a-Side Football Clubs, neither of which would be possible without the changing, catering and entertaining facilities of the building.

**8. As I guess the cricket club will be one of the main users, are there any fees to join the club? Can anyone in the whole community join if they wish to?**

The Cricket Club is open to anyone and there is just a £20 per annum playing subscription. The Club is actively seeking new players and welcome new social members with a nominal £5 per annum subscription. Over the years at least a dozen local children have been coached and played with us, the vast majority of whom have gone on to play League Cricket at Seaton CC or other local Cricket Clubs and we would love to do the same for any other local children interested in taking up cricket.

**9. Did you ask the parish council whether they would be willing to give you a grant towards the project? If so, what was their response?**

We have not asked the Parish Council for a grant towards the project.



## Facebook Post to advertise the project to the community

The Village Hall, in partnership with Branscombe Cricket Club, have applied for planning permission to redevelop the facilities located on the playing fields behind the Village Hall.

The existing structure is, unfortunately, reaching the end of its life, showing significant signs of aging with part of the foundations sinking, the base of the walls rotting and much expenditure needed on the roof, exterior decking and handrails.

Whilst used regularly by the Cricket Club, the nature of the existing building meant that it was rarely used by other local groups, meaning the playing field is also very much underutilised.

We have therefore designed a new, multi-purpose Pavilion that not only meets the needs of the Cricket Club, but is also suitable for use by a large number of local groups.

It is hoped that the new Pavilion would be regularly used by:

- The School - sports, lessons or other outdoor learning opportunities
- Local Playgroups
- Local Social Groups
- Local Youth Cricket Teams, e.g. Devon and East Devon Under 10-U14
- Tennis Clubs or competitions
- Harvest Fair
- Bonfire Night
- Children's Birthday Parties etc
- Social bookings from external parties

The plans include a large central seating area, a kitchen/bar with serving area, and a large, private changing room that can be sub-divided into two rooms when necessary. It also includes a compostable WC and a covered veranda with planting at the front. The structure is approximately 12.5m x 8m and the plans show its position in relation to the existing Pavilion and maintenance sheds.

We think the Pavilion will significantly improve the appearance of the field and will be a fantastic new facility for the Village, significantly increasing the use of the playing field.

The Pavilion has been designed by a local architect and will be built by a local builder, with all additional labour, as well as all planning and preparation time provided free by the Cricket Club. The builder has very kindly agreed to provide his time free of charge.

Such an impressive structure, unfortunately, comes at a cost, especially with building materials significantly increasing in price since the project was conceived. We have so far managed, through some very generous donations, to secure around 60% of the necessary funding. We are therefore seeking further donations from local individuals to help us complete the project. Donations can be anonymous or can be recognised on a plaque attached to the building and will qualify for Gift Aid, meaning higher rate tax payers will receive tax relief on their donations.

We really hope you like the plans and if you are able to contribute to this fantastic new Village Facility, we would be very grateful to hear from you.



12 August 2021

To whom it may concern,

**Branscombe Tennis Club**

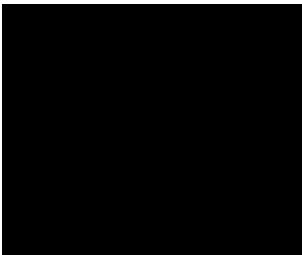
I confirm that it is my intention to set up a Tennis Club once the new Sports Pavilion is built on the playing fields behind Branscombe Village Hall.

The Tennis Club will meet weekly and will be open to all residents of Branscombe and neighbouring areas. Whilst there is an excellent tennis court behind the Village Hall, it has previously been impossible to bring local players together due to the lack of facilities, in particularly the absence of changing rooms.

The new pavilion will give us a fantastic place to meet and the kitchen area will allow us to provide refreshments after matches and whilst waiting to play.

We are very excited about the new facilities.

Yours sincerely



15<sup>th</sup> August 2021

To whom it may concern,

## Letter from Branscombe Primary School

As the Co-Chair of Governors for the Jubilee with Pebblebed Federation (comprising Branscombe, Broadhembury, Farway, Littleham and Woodbury Salterton Church of England Primary Schools) I am writing to express our support for the planning application (21/1852/FUL) to replace existing sports prefab with sports pavilion at Branscombe Village Hall and to explain the importance of the development to our school community.

Branscombe C of E Primary School is a small rural school located within the village of Branscombe and within walking distance of the village hall. Many years ago, through collaboration with the National Trust and the village hall committee, and recognising the importance of the facilities at the village hall, there was a safe pedestrian path installed between the school and the village hall. The school is on a small site, with a small, sloping, concrete playground. The playground is not large enough for ball sports or running games of any description. There is a small field adjacent to the school which is rented from the National Trust. Approximately  $\frac{1}{4}$  of this field is an allotment and the remainder of the field houses a "trim trail" activity structure. This field is also on a significant slope. Due to the nature of the school grounds, most physical education teaching takes place on the village hall site, either within the village hall, on the tennis / netball court or on the field. The school sports day takes place on the field.

Branscombe C of E Primary School is part of a federation of 5 primary schools and one of the benefits of the federation is that children from small schools can come together to gain the benefits of working in larger groups. Over the years since this federation has been in place, the Branscombe village hall and field have been a wonderful resource where children from some or all the schools can come together. In this way the school has used the field to have a federation sports day and to run a football club which would otherwise have been impossible. On these occasions, parent groups have been called upon to provide gazebo sun / rain shelters and to ferry refreshments from the village hall.

The proposed sports pavilion will provide excellent facilities for the school / schools to use for sports events. There is a changing area which was not available in the previous sports prefab and kitchen facilities that would allow access to make refreshments for events. The addition of a composting WC would make the school use of the field and pavilion much easier, as currently the WCs are located away from the field and through a busy car park and therefore children need to be grouped, monitored and accompanied to use these public facilities.

One of the benefits of a rural primary school is that a lot of learning can take place outside and the primary school curriculum contains many links to the local area. The new pavilion will provide a classroom base that can be used by groups that are out and about and learning in their local area. The communal space can be used as a classroom and the fact that there are kitchen and WC facilities located here means that the pavilion can be used for a whole day and not just for a couple of hours. One of the schools in the federation – Littleham C of E Primary School is in an urban area, and we can see the potential for bringing groups, from here to Branscombe, to support some of the curriculum topics that are better supported in our rural environment.

In the past the village hall has provided a safe space for school to continue when there have been emergency building works required or when building works at the school have overrun. On these occasions the village hall have been unable to take any other bookings as, for safeguarding reasons, it would be inappropriate to have shared usage of the village hall with the children in situ.

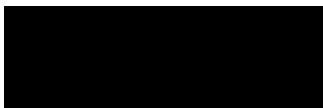
Therefore, having the sports pavilion available will allow much more flexible use of all facilities for many different user groups.

Due to the nature of our small rural community, what was the village pre school is now an Early Years setting within the school itself; taking children from just 2 years of age. At this age, children are encouraged to be out and about in their environment, playing and learning at the same time. The sports pavilion will provide an excellent space with all the facilities required for these young children.

At times the school have been approached by freelance providers of before or after school groups, such as sport or drama groups. As we have no school playing field or hall, we have been unable to help host these. However, the sports pavilion may provide the ideal location for such groups and would provide additional opportunities for our young people to engage in activities and provide families with wrap around care options that are so often required but generally only available through larger school set ups.

Although we all hope that we are coming to an end of Covid restrictions, the past 18 months has seen us having to segregate groups and form bubbles within our school environment, and for some time it was actually impossible to have all children at school, due to the restrictions around groups and social distancing. To overcome some of these difficulties some outdoor space around the school was utilised for classes but this was difficult. Should such restrictions be required again, the sports pavilion could provide an excellent site for an additional make shift classroom which would allow us to keep more children in full time education.

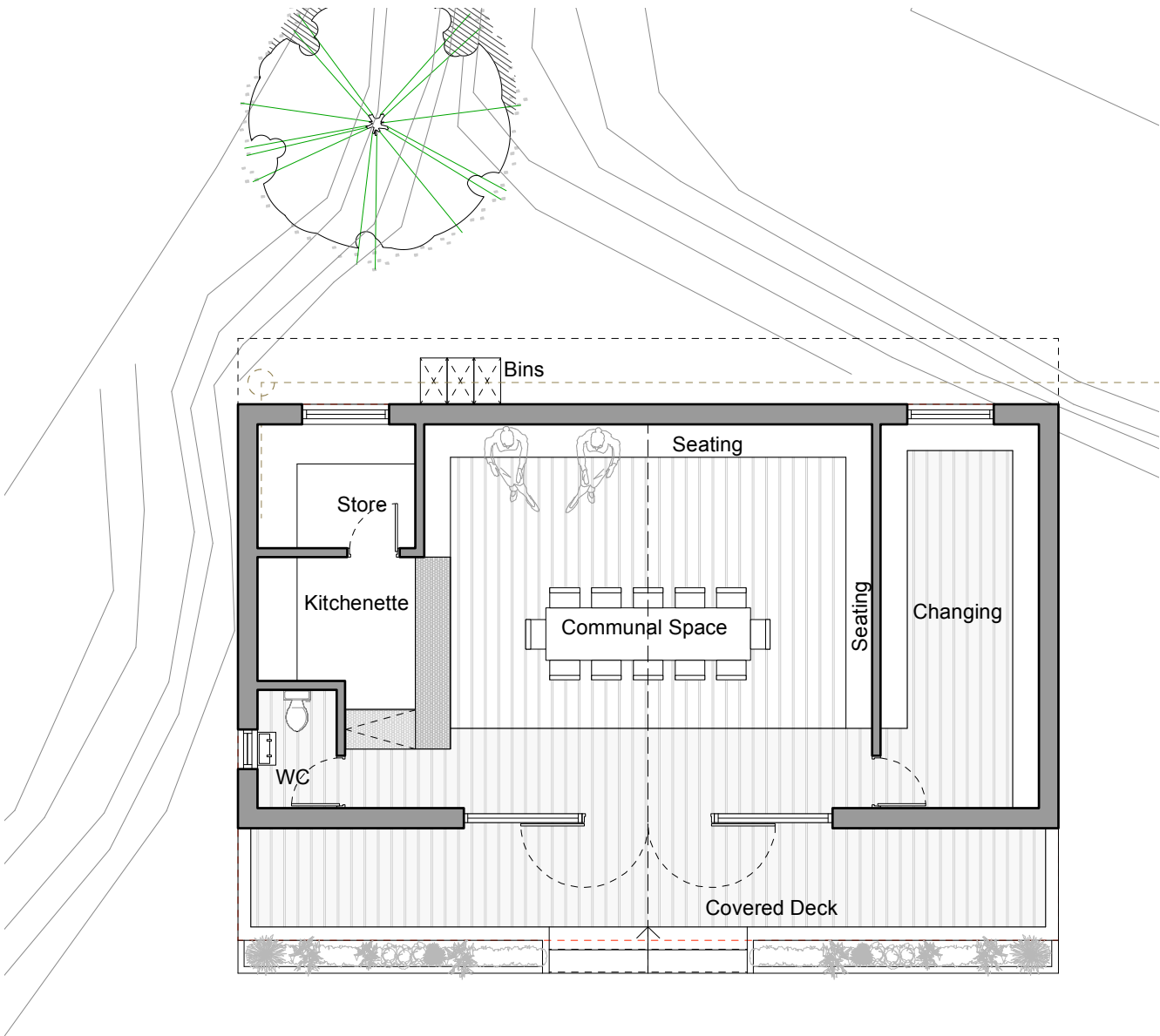
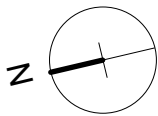
In our opinion this sports pavilion will be a huge asset, not only to our village school but also to our federation of five schools and to the community as a whole.



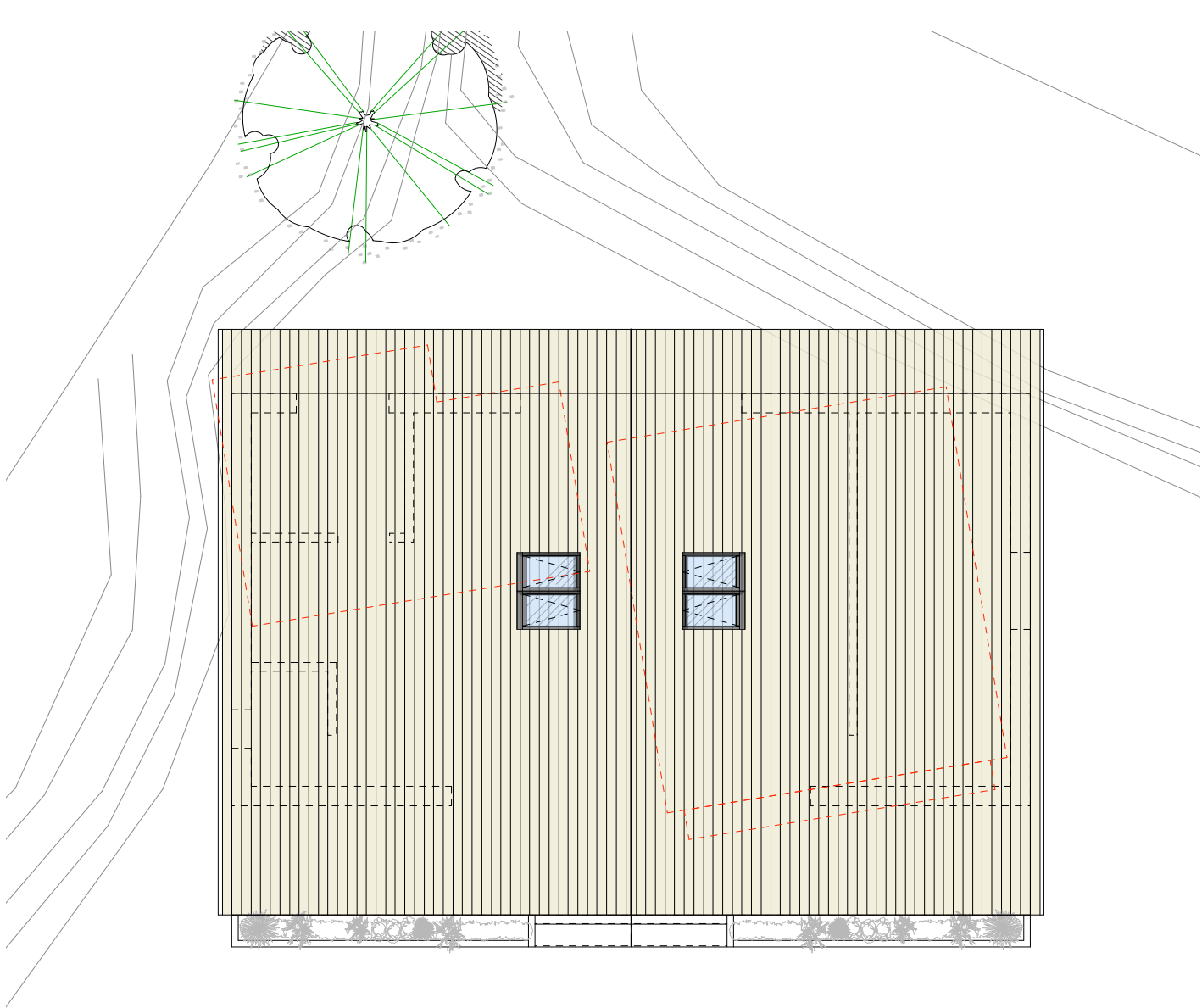
Jubilee with Pebblebed Federation

**The existing Pavilion:**





**Ground Floor Plan** (as proposed)  
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**Roof Floor Plan** (as proposed)  
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