

3.0 THE SETTING

- The building should act as a landmark when seen from the main road through its shape and form.
- The scheme should look to create a physical relationship with the green to ensure they sit comfortably together.
- The building should be inviting and welcoming and somewhere people will feel comfortable coming into.
- The intent is to provide an attractive building able to blend in to the local architecture but also has its own strong identity and be identifiable as a civic building.
- There should be adequate parking and the potential for an overflow facility via the flexible use of the tennis courts.
- The new Centre should provide an excellent facility for hirers able to accommodate a multitude of users with flexible spaces able to adapt to different needs.

4.0 APPROACH

- The Centre will have one main anchor tenant with the Pre-School, the Town Council offices and rooms that can be rented out and used flexibly.
- The design process will require that all safeguarding issues to do with the Pre-School are considered while ensuring this is not to the detriment of the overall facility.
- The design need to achieve high levels of income from rental to ensure different types of activities can take place at the same time whilst not impinging on other services.
- The Councils investment in the project is intended to deliver a Community Centre that everyone can access, enjoy and use.

5.0 WHAT SHOULD BE INCLUDED?

- Reception space for 'Meet and Greet' functions.
- Spaces for the children's Pre School and outdoor play.
- Space for the Town Council Offices.
- Rentable rooms of varying sizes which could be combined into a hall able to accommodate up to 300.
- Potential for an indoor café.
- Flexible meeting rooms for use by staff and or hirers.
- Large catering kitchen facility to be able to serve the hall.
- Sufficient car and cycle parking provision.

