

Williton Pavilion Project

Project Update.

The Charity submitted its Stage 3 application to the Big Lottery as required on 7th December. Although completed a week earlier, we had to wait for the letter from West Somerset Council advising of the planning approval for the amended design, this was not received until Monday 5th December.

The application contained the Project Plan which was produced by Mitchell Architects. The plan details the proposed design, including all the features required to make the building fully accessible, along with our approach to procurement and timescales for the build.

We expect a number of questions from the Big Lottery over the coming months and if all goes well, we will be advised of their decision by late April.

In the interim we still have much to do, priority is to consider applications received for the role of Employers Agent, this will be the company that will project manage the tender and construction phase of the project, their appointment will be linked to the Big Lottery decision in April, if successful, we will be given 5% of the total project cost to commence work.

There are planned meetings during February with our other major funders EDF and West Somerset Council to brief them on project progress and the proposed budget and funding plan.

The amount of effort required over the previous six months to achieve the 7th December deadline has prevented the working group from holding regular meetings with the user management group, we intend to structure meetings through the coming months to continue to brief and update them on progress.

Councillor Bill Vaughan