

Parish Centre Redevelopment – Update (DR/02/19)

This month's report is a combination of good and bad news. I will start with the good. Work on the building is continuing at a pace. The sedum roof was installed in late January and good progress has been made with the internal works.

Electrical 1st fix is 100% complete and 2nd fix 60% complete. Mechanical work has commenced, heat exchange units all installed along with the duct work and the air-con units are in place. Plumbing 1st fix is complete, most of the second fix is dependent on the installation of the vanity units and the kitchen. Underfloor heating is complete and all the floors have been screeded. Plasterboard works are 95% complete with only parts of the main hall outstanding.

There is still an issue with the colour match of the plywood boarding to the ceiling of the main hall. It would appear that the boards meet the specification required in the contract and TMDP say they have done their best to try to match them rejecting quite a few panels.

We have placed an order with Fidelity Group to provide the infrastructure for the telephone and IT systems. TMDP/Haywards are attempting to get them on site prior to the plastering work recommencing.

The choice of supplier and colours for the floor coverings has now been made along with the colour of the stone for the feature wall in the reception area.

Now for the bad news. An order was placed in January with Western Power and Cadent for the reconnection of the electric and gas. Western power carried out a site survey on 25/1/2019 but connection date is likely to be late march. Cadent have given a date of 07/03/2019 to carry out the survey (although we have been told it could be earlier) with connection 6-8 weeks thereafter. TMDP are chasing Cadent on this .This has a serious effect on the commissioning of the underfloor heating. This has to be switched on and a temperature increase of 1 degree per day carried out for 20 days. This obviously cannot start until the gas has been connected. Worst case scenario we are now looking for completion sometime in May.

Some Outstanding Issues:

1. Fencing details required to secure the rear of the site and the finish to the slope at the main hall end.
2. . Decision on reinstatement of the footway adjacent to the PC.
3. Type of trees to be planted as replacements for the ones felled.