

Services and Facilities Meeting

3 October 2024

Appendix SF081

**Towers Lawn Toilets Working Group**

**NOTES**

**Tuesday 10th September, 10am at the Town Hall**

1. To receive apologies.

Present: Cllrs Aldcroft, Glover, Hughes & Manton

Absent: Cllrs Love & Sanderson

1. To agree the Notes of the meeting held on 28th June 2024

The Notes were agreed

1. To discuss the draft plans for Newport Road Toilet Block and agree what should be in each cubicle.

Councillors considered the draft plans. They agreed the following:

* The gents toilets to both have urinals
* One ladies, one gents and the disabled to have a baby changing unit.
* The shutter on the service room to be removed.

Councillors were in favour of having the doors set back to allow the door to open without encroaching on the pathway. It was agreed there would need to be suitable lighting in the area.

It was also suggested that classical music be played in the cubicles to discourage users from lingering too long.

Councillors discussed bringing the service room wall out to be inline with the proposed wall to provide additional space for the cubicles; this would result in a uniformed frontage.

Internet provision for the payment system was discussed, it was thought that having hard wired rather than wi-fi would work best.

Conversations took place regarding the specification and the following issues were raised

- does the building have cavity walls?

- does it need damp proofing?

- will the design include a mechanism to stop water freezing

- the design will need to have sufficient ventilation

- drainage issues, in particular the back drain to be sorted

1. To discuss next steps

Clerk to request revised plans, which will be circulated to the working group.

Draft plans to be presented to the Services and Facilities Committee meeting on the 3 October.

The draft plans to be made public to raise awareness of the refurbishment

To work with the architect to produce the specification and tender document