

Meeting at Doddington Road premises

25 September 2018

JM explaining to club members the reasons that we are looking into new premises. The Committee has approved the new premises but we want to know what the members think.

General points from members:

- More parking than Cathedral Centre – we can park anywhere up the road with no restrictions. One member expressing concern over parking but the general feel was that parking was better than we currently have at the Cathedral Centre which at times is non-existent.
- Large, spacious room
- Good set up for projection
- Aircon is a bonus
- Is there enough seating? Yes – 44 seats but we can fit in more if we borrow seats from the other rooms
- Seating is comfortable
- Members asking can we have biscuits in the future?
- Lower rent - £55 as opposed to £75 at the Cathedral Centre
- What about the BBQ? We could sort something at an alternative venue. We will look into this nearer the time.
- Storage? We have been offered the use of a store room. DT saying this is more than adequate for our needs.
- Ceiling height might be too low for studio nights
- Projector quite low for viewing photos but we can rearrange the seating if this is a problem
- Door downstairs locked during meetings – latecomers can ring and be 'buzzed in' from the meeting room. We will be keyholders.
- Any contracts? Not currently but we can have one drawn up if we wish.
- Any alternative premises? Yes but all are either too expensive or not available for the night we require
- Doddington Road premises is available immediately
- January for possible moving date? General discussion on this. Members want to move sooner rather than later. DW saying there's no formal contract with the Cathedral Centre but we should give 4 weeks notice.
- The building will be owned by Red Recruitment who we would be tenants to.
- Currently no disabled access but this is something that they are planning on putting in in the future – approx. 2 year timescale.

VOTE – unanimous to move premises to Doddington Road – 29 members present including the Committee.