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OSH – Small Hall Renovation Project Update (2) – JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2024

The Small Hall renovation project restarted week of January 08 with Chris Moon and his team making solid progress. However, because of some unexpected issues including:

Extra Walls - Due to the outer walls not being remotely square, Chris has built two new walls touching the current ones between the kitchen area and the Small Hall and foyer ramp (leading to the Lobby); the floor has had to be extended out to compensate. The wall between the Small Hall and Lobby will also need packing

Ramp (to Lobby) - This needs a new flat roof. Hopefully the wall to the Lobby will be sound enough to support the trusses and this work may be able to be done without removing the ceiling. The trusses have to be custom made to fit the Hall's unique dimensions.

Sewer Pipes – A not-so-pleasant odour was detected during demolition which indicate cracked clay sewer pipes; these have to be replaced as a part of the drainage works.

Storage – The renovation team needs to use the Small Hall (lockable) storage area; which means removing the area's existing contents so that the items required for the toilet refurbishment can be secured and the storage room contents placed in the Small Hall along with the kitchen cabinets.

As would be expected with a renovation on a building that dates back originally to 1929 – there are unexpected issues that crop up which have to be resolved. Unfortunately, these issues have meant a delay - we regret to advise that as of February 01, 2024 the Small Hall will not be able to be used until further notice. This area should NOT be entered due to health and safety regulations and access to this area has been blocked off.

We realise that this will mean some disruptions to your usual Small Hall Bookings – wherever possible, we will try and place you into the Large Hall (at no extra cost) but this may not always be an option due to existing Large Hall Hires. Over the next couple of weeks, I will be emailing all the Small Hirers whose Booking may be affected from February and March – but - if you have any concerns, please feel free to contact me on: 027 6688 028.

A Porta-Loo has been installed and is located outside the Large Hall kitchen door. Please be careful on the steps in/out of the kitchen as well as the step up/down and to/from the Porta-Loo. Ample hand sanitizers are available.

The Large Hall and its kitchen will remain fully operational for the duration of the renovation project.

Please rest assured we will continue to keep you updated regarding progress – remember the end result will definitely be worth the wait – we thank you in advance for your patience and understanding!

Don't forget to check out our OSH Website (www.settlershall.co.nz) to make sure you keep abreast of all the activities we have happening over the coming months.

We also have our own FaceBook Page – please take a look to see our latest updates.

Please feel free to send this along to your Group attendees for their information.

As always, your news, comments and suggestions would be most welcome!