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OSH – Small Hall Renovation Project Update (5) – MAY and JUNE 2024

Hopefully this could be the final Small Hall Renovation Project Update as we are moving ever closer to obtaining our Council Code of Compliance. As expected with a building that dates back to 1929, there has been close to 20 variations/amendments that have had to have Council Consent to ensure all the work Chris Moon (Moon Construction) and his team has been doing is compliant with current building regulations and codes.

All of the renovation work is nearing completion – vinyl has been laid, painting, plumbing, electrical work and drain laying is completed, plus temporary stairs from the new back door have been built. New soak holes have had to be dug (a Council requirement) to make sure our back lawn area no longer floods.

We now have a Utility/Cleaner's Room (previously the men's toilets in the Small Hall) where the old kitchen cabinets have been repurposed and given a new lease of life. A new tall cupboard has also been installed in this room.

The Small Hall kitchen is now totally transformed with all new cabinetry, along with three tall lockable cupboards. Unfortunately, due to a delay in the manufacture of our stainless-steel bench top, this pushes out the completion date until sometime in June, as the taps, splash back and silicone behind the benchtop must all be completed before the CPU (Certificate of Public Use) can be issued. Once this work is done, we will be issued a CPU and will be delighted to be able to open up the Small Hall again. With the CPU in hand, there will be no more Port-A-Loos in sight or on site as the new Lobby toilets will be able to be used!

With grateful thanks to the Omokoroa Community Board, we have been granted funding to construct a wrap-around deck with entry/exit doors from both the Small and Large Halls. Work on the deck is planned to start within the next couple of months along with the necessary remedial work on the Small Hall roof. NB: once the CPU has been granted, this work can still continue and should not interfere too much with anyone using either of the Halls, but will make a huge difference in the future to Hirers who will have a large, safe and accessible outside area to enjoy.

We would also like to express our gratitude to the Omokoroa Centre – thanks to their generous support we have two baby change tables, four highchairs and an under-bench refrigerator for the new Small Hall kitchen.



New Small Hall Kitchen – benchtop to come



New Utility Room (utilising “old” kitchen cabinets)



One of Two Baby Change Tables

As always, your comments and/or suggestions would be most welcome.

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.