

Hethersett Memorial Playing Field Trust

Pavilion Project

NOISE MANAGEMENT PLAN

The new pavilion on Hethersett Memorial Playing Field promises to be an invaluable asset to the village and once finished it will be carefully managed by the Management Trustees. An underlying consideration during the design phase of the project was ensuring that use of the building has as little adverse effect upon neighbours as possible. That consideration included planning ways to minimise the nuisance caused by noise. The Managing Trustees intend to do all they can to limit the disturbance caused by noise once the pavilion it is complete and in use.

Noise Considerations in the Design of the Pavilion.

1. There will not be any windows at the rear of the building where it backs on to residential gardens.
2. Building materials offering good sound-proofing qualities will be used as stipulated under the planning approval.
3. The size of the community/meeting room will only suit relatively small groups.
4. The small kitchenette will be for the purpose of making tea, coffee and snacks for those using the facilities. There will not be a bar area allocated.
5. The electric power supply will be connected to an automatic noise monitor that will “break” the circuit when excess noise is experienced. The limiter will be set at 90 dB internal noise level initially

Management of Noise Once the Pavilion is in Use

1. The community/function room to the pavilion will be available to hire between the hours of 09.00 and 22.00 only with a half hour set and up clean allowance either end
2. The trustees intend that the primary use of the community/function room will be for use by small groups. Typically this will involve formal club meetings, parent/toddler groups, keep fit, art, sewing and elderly recreation. Bookings will not be taken for events (like teenage parties) that have an enhanced potential to become noisy. All bookings would require that a nominated responsible adult is present and contactable by mobile phone throughout
3. All lettings will be subject to a formal contract with a deposit payable and forfeit for non-clearance of waste, inadequate cleaning of the rooms, damages and anti-social behaviour.
4. Occasional Temporary Events Notices will only be applied for in rare and exceptional circumstances and are limited by statute to no more than 10 Late Temporary Event Notices each calendar year or 15 Temporary Event Notices in total
5. Doors and windows will be closed in times of hiring to minimise noise nuisance.
6. The car park is usually closed by 20.00 hours. Under the circumstances where lettings go past that time special provision will be made to lock up at agreed times and under controlled circumstances.

7. There will be signage both inside and outside the building requiring groups to depart quietly after their function is complete. That request will also feature on the formal booking agreement.
8. Any complaints by the public will be recorded and investigated by a panel of trustees and responded to.
9. Where appropriate, those hirers who fail to comply with measures set by the trustees will not be allowed further access to the facilities.
10. The agenda of Trustee Meetings will include a routine review of how events progressed.

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