Summertown Church Hall Retrospective Planning Application PP-12589075

Design and access statement

The original request for planning permission was made on 24/3/2022, by Mr David Smith, on behalf of the PCC. It was proposed is to provide a new toilet and a sink unit in the Community room of the Church Hall, with safe storage facilities, thereby making the Community Room and Office space an independent part of the Lower Hall.

We were advised at that time that planning permission was not required for the proposed works, but only Building Control certification. On this basis the works were carried forward and Building Control Certification for the related internal improvement works was obtained (Plan Number 22/00453/OTHFP dated 15/7/2022).

Subsequently, it became apparent, on advice from the Planning Authority, that the use of the premises for commercial purposes represented a change of use (this had not been our original intention). As a result, this planning application relates solely to change of use for an existing set of offices, with no design or access implications.