

# TAKELEY PARISH COUNCIL

## THE OLD SCHOOL HOUSE PROJECT

Takeley Parish Council may accept donations  
via Local Government Act 1972 S139

**If you would like to personally donate to the Old School House Project,  
please contact the Clerk - (Tel: 01279 – 902434)**

The public first voted at a public meeting to purchase the Old School House in 2015 and a further annual meeting was held in May 2017 updating the community of progress. The council is currently working hard with fundraising initiatives with monthly updates reported in the Parish Council's minutes on where we are to date.

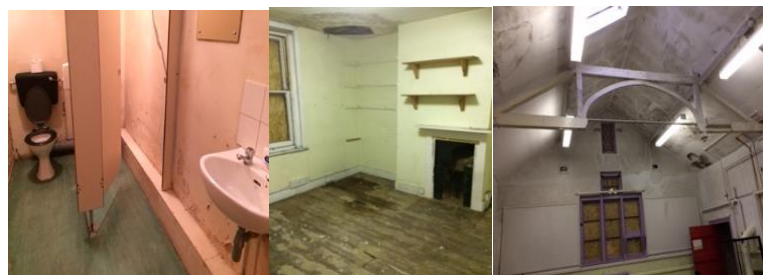
The refurbished building will enable:-

- The Community Café to continue
- Provide a refurbished hall for the youth club and storage of its equipment
- Provide continuation of service to the Foodbank
- Provide an agreed satellite outreach Citizens Advice Bureau facility
- Provide a permanent home for records and the parish council
- Provide a Toy/book/media library.

Below are some pictures showing the building and challenges ahead



Old School House Exterior    Refurbishment of internal halls    Underpinning



Toilet block refurbishment.    Damp in ceiling & uneven floor    Roof Refurbishment



Evidence of non use & vandalism.    View from the road with boarded windows

## Takeley's Community Hub

### Café Opening Times At The Station House:

Thursdays -12:00 – 4:00pm

Fridays: - 9:00am – 1:00pm

The Lease at the Station House is due to expire on the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018. Below are some snapshots of the current Community Café run by our volunteers showing a cross section of the local community.

The Parish Council wish to thank all the volunteers for making the Community Café possible and are delighted to note the cafe is providing valuable work experience to valued members of the community.

We look forward to providing extension of this facility at The Old School House once the refurbishment is complete.



SPECIAL THANKS ARE ALSO EXTENDED

TO VOLUNTEER JOHN MONK & WESTON HOMES

WHO ARE SUPPORTING THE COUNCIL BY OFFERING FREE UNBIASED PROFESSIONAL ADVICE