

Building for the Future

June 2024 Update



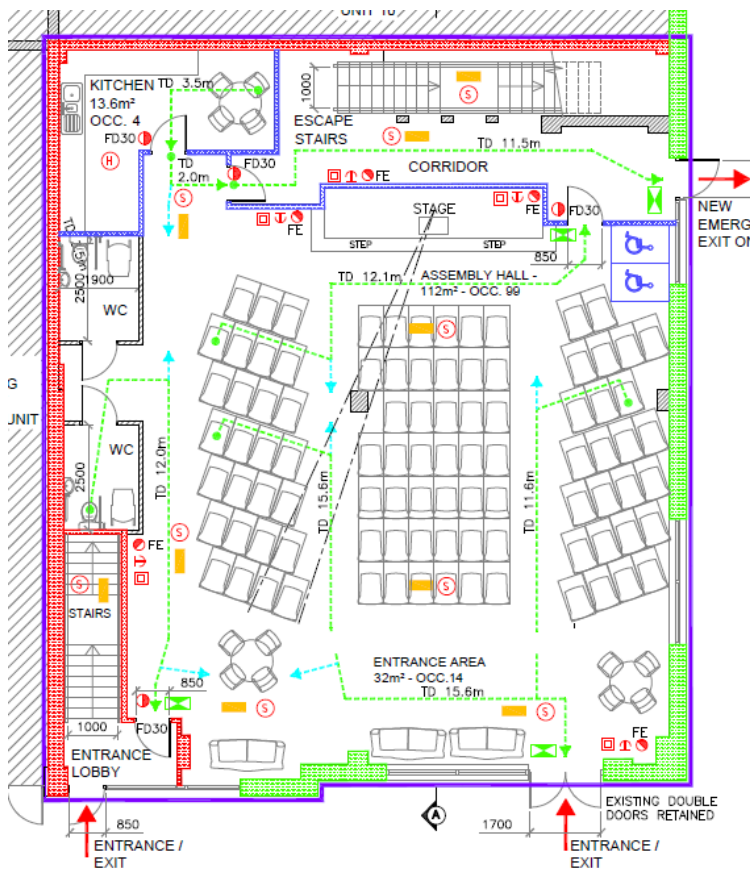
A period of waiting

Thank you for your continued prayer and support for our building project.

We submitted a planning application for change of use to the council in April. We were expecting an initial decision on 4th June, but they requested some additional information. We have submitted the requested information, so we now expect a planning decision on 2nd July. Please pray for all involved in the process, and for a favourable decision.

Please also pray that the building owner will remain patient as we complete this process.

Our applications for fire and disabled access certificates have been approved. This is, of course, subject to us completing the works needed to comply with the regulations. Thank God for this progress.



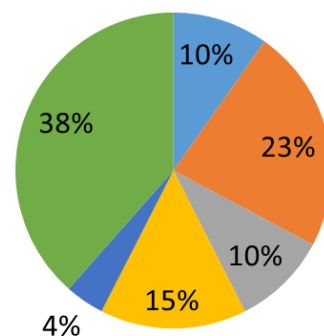
Budget update

We agreed a sale price of €285,000 and we estimate that renovation works will cost around €100,000. Therefore our total scheme budget is €400,000.

To date we have raised €260,000 from various sources as shown on the chart.

This includes a loan of €100,000 from a community finance organisation in Ireland.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed towards this project, and for those who have prayed for it.



Next steps

We hope to receive a planning decision on 2nd July, there will then be a one-month appeal period before the decision is finalized. At that point we would hope to be in a position to purchase the property.

In the meantime we have been making preparations for the construction work that will be needed. We have been working with suppliers to obtain quotations and estimates of the works. We will need to prioritise the fire and disabled access works, as these must be completed before we can occupy the building.

If you would like to know more, please get in touch.

Also, if you would be interested in helping us with any practical work when we reach that stage, we would love to hear from you.