

**Trefriw Community Council  
New chairs for village hall**

**Issue**

The village hall has circa 75 chairs with padded seats and backs. They are old, the upholstery on many of them is dirty/stained, and a lot of them have wobbly/broken parts. This is not appealing to would be hirers of the hall and presents a potential H&S risk. In addition they are heavy and can only be stacked in lots of five which greatly reduces the usable space on the stage where they are stored.

**Proposal**

Cleaning and mending the existing chairs is not cost effective or time efficient. It is therefore proposed that the Community Council invests in c75 new chairs, and disposes appropriately of the current ones (those in better condition could for example be sold).

**Options**

There are a number of options for replacement chairs for Council to consider. Three options are set out below. All costs quoted are for 75 chairs excluding delivery from Gopak commercial furniture.

**Option 1.** Replace like for like - as per image 1 below (Rye).

Cost: £5121.45 inc VAT (unit price £56.91 excluding VAT)

Pros: like for like, padded seat/back for comfort, won't take up any more space than existing on stage, 3 year guarantee

Cons: risk that upholstery will get dirty/marked in time, does not release any extra space on stage, heaviest option (6kg), most expensive option, shortest guarantee.

**Option 2 (recommended option).** Replace existing with plastic chairs - as per image 2 below (GH20).

Cost: £1957.95 inc VAT (unit price £21.75 excluding VAT)

Pros: lighter weight (5kg), wipe clean, can be stacked 10 high so would save space on stage, 10 year guarantee, cheapest option, wide range of colours

Cons: no padding so may lose comfort

**Option 3.** Replace existing with lighter weight padded chair - as per image 3 below (ADV).

Cost: £4061.25 inc VAT (unit price £45.13 excluding VAT)

Pros: lighter weight (5kg), back and seat pads for comfort with wipe clean plastic elsewhere, can be stacked 10 high so would save space on stage, 5 year guarantee, wide range of colours

Cons: fabric at risk of becoming dirty/marked in time

*Image 1 - Rye stacking chair*

*Image 2 - GH20 stacking chair*

*Image 3 - ADV stacking chair*



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