

# Norton Community Trust

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We thought you'd like one last "hurrah" of Hub news for the year!

The tender process for the building work has now closed, and we received four submissions for the work. We hope to appoint a contractor imminently and get the work started early in the New Year.

We've established the management committee for the Hub operation. At our meeting on 23 November, 10 enthusiastic volunteers offered to serve on the committee, and a further 24 local residents are standing in the wings ready to support and help. And we know that there are many more of you willing to offer further help over the coming months as required. Such a great community effort! This now puts us firmly on track to build the increased direct community involvement which is essential to the success of the project.

The new management committee will be having their first meeting in January and will be confirming their roles and responsibilities and starting to work on their list of priority areas to focus on over the next few months. Details of the new committee will be announced after the January meeting.

Using funding from PAVO, we have completed a survey of established community hubs to help us understand some of the challenges and pitfalls of operating our own hub. The survey will be a valuable reference point for the new management committee.

We have had two more fundraising successes to end the year. Vicky's Tombola at the St Andrew's Presteigne Christmas Fayre, raised £171 for Hub funds - a great sum given how tough things are for everyone just now. We have also been awarded a small grant of £500 from Localgiving on behalf of the Postcode Lottery. This contribution towards hub running costs is much appreciated.

Finally, the November draw of our 100 Club draw took place on 23rd November, and the winning numbers are - First Prize (£30) No. 69, Second Prize (£20) No. 60,

Third Prize (£10) No. 70 - and £60 has gone into Hub funds. The 'double money' December draw will take place later this month and we'll circulate the results as soon as we have them.

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