

Hello Everyone and Happy New Year.

A reminder about our Special General Meeting to be held on **Wednesday 13 January at 6 p.m.** to establish that we are resolved to go ahead with the project to build a joint new premises on our existing site in Golf Road.

We appreciate there is some trepidation amongst our membership as to the enormity of the journey we are embarking upon. To help allay anxiety a group convened last Friday (the 8<sup>th</sup>) and went through issues item by item to clearly establish where we stand now and in the future. Please look for these Notes in the 2021 folder - Committee Minutes - on the website.

Additionally - listed below is more clarification:

1. We will be getting a larger playing area in the new building.
2. Toilets - we will have our own separate facilities. Surf Club to have access through firewall.
3. Additional costs BEFORE we move into new building - only the "Won-door" - which is a concertina style soundproofing door which will separate the main playing area from the training area. We are waiting for a quote for this currently but estimated to be \$50K). Also we will need to pay "professional" people to re-install our steriliser, oven, etc.
4. Running costs - we will have our own power and water meters and internet. Hopefully heating/cooling costs will be less than presently, and all other costs should be as per status quo.
5. Our space will be OUR SPACE. No moving anything back and forth. At our discretion, community groups may use when we are not using our facilities (see notes).
6. Parking is covered in meeting notes.
7. Interim premises will be part share of the bowling club (not all - there will be a dividing door and TCC is cogniscent of congenial people next door, eg taekwondo. Our portion of the bowling club is slightly smaller than our present premises but will be OK as a short term solution.
8. Yes we will have a lease that guarantees our right to be in the new building until 2054 which is the maximum available under current TCC regulations.
9. Costs of moving in and out of interim premises - covered in notes.
10. Costs of aircon - covered in notes
11. Projected timeline - covered in notes.

As mentioned in discussion notes, not everything is set in stone as yet regarding this project. However, ALL parties are committed to, and enthusiastic about, Omanu having a very smart and practical community-based facility. Your Steering Committee representatives believe all parties are acting in good faith in endeavouring to service the local community and obtain the best deal possible for the Bridge Club as a whole and our members in particular.

