

Pavilion Working Group report to Preston Parish Council
20 May 2026

The PWG has held 10 meetings.

Key points from the last meeting are:

- Prior to the meeting, a report had been sent by Pentangle Design, outlining both options for the pavilion which included a Comparative Analysis.
- This report enabled the group to prepare in advance for the meeting.
- Jonathan Read, RIBA, (Royal Institute of British Architects) the Director of Pentangle Design attended the meeting and presented the preliminary drawings for both options.
- The report and drawings were discussed and questions raised and answered.
- A solution to winter access to the pavilion is still being sought.
- Further information is required before the PWG can make a recommendation to the Parish Council on which option would be best for both the community and the cricket club.
- Pre-application advice and a meeting with a planning officer will highlight any issues and will give an indication as to how and if they can be addressed.
- More detailed costings will support the recommendation.
- It was noted that, if there was a huge difference in cost between the two options, then the cheaper one may have to be recommended.
- It is anticipated that if the information requested is available for the next PWG meeting on 24 June, it should be able to make a recommendation to the Parish Council meeting on 9 July. If it isn't, the PWG would like to have an extraordinary Parish Council meeting so that the recommendation can be made as soon as possible.
- Once the recommendation has been agreed, the PWG will plan a community consultation in the Autumn.
- In addition, tree and ecology reports will be required. It is expected that quotes for these will be available for the Parish Council meeting on 9 July

The PPC is requested to:

- a) NOTE the contents of this update.
- b) To agree to obtaining pre-planning advice to enable the PWG to make a recommendation on the best option for the pavilion. The cost is £1631.12 excl VAT. Shared 50:50 with Preston Cricket Club, the cost will be £815.60 for each organisation.
- c) To consider and agree to obtaining more detailed costings than the £190 basic costs as agreed at the last meeting and which have not yet been requested. Costings for a new build is £350 and £250 for an extension, a total of £600 + VAT. More detailed costings will give a better indication of potential funding requirements and will help towards making a decision on new build or extension. The Cricket Club has been asked to share the costs.
- d) To agree to the organisation of an extraordinary meeting if not all the information is available to enable the PWG to make a recommendation on the way forward at the Parish Council meeting on Thursday 9 July.