

**From:** Richard Witney [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Monday, October 10, 2022 10:03:17 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
<[REDACTED]>  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Roslin Pavillion Formal Asset Transfer Request Form 21092022.docx

Dear Irene & Lynda

**Letter of support for the Roslin Pavillion asset transfer**

I am writing on behalf of a badminton group. We play on a Monday night between 7-9pm. We started at the Roslin Pavillion around 2009 and played there until around 2012. After this date it became too costly to play at the Pavillion and we moved to the Penicuik YMCA.

We are very much in support of the LASC and Roslin Village application for asset transfer of the Roslin Pavillion. It would be great to be able to have a local facility which is available for badminton and at a reasonable cost (we play £12/hr at the YMCA) and also to be available at accessible times throughout the evening. The badminton hall at the Pavillion is one of the best courts we have played on in Midlothian. I am sure it would be very popular with other badminton groups which would raise a nice level of income for the hall.

Encouraging the local community to exercise at a local facility ticks many boxes including health benefits, reduced travel miles and brings a sense of community back to Roslin.

Good luck with your application.

Best regards

Richard

[REDACTED]

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From: [REDACTED]  
Date: Tue, 11 Oct 2022, 21:04  
Subject: Fw: LASC asset tv and Roslin girl guiding  
To: Claire Witney [REDACTED]

To Midlothian Council,

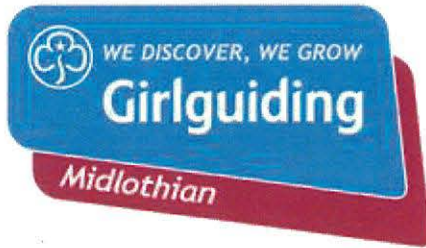
Please accept this email as confirmation that Roslin Brownies, and the Roslin Girl Guiding District overall, are extremely supportive of the LASC asset transfer application to Midlothian Council for the local pavilion. The main reasons for our support are listed below:

- We have a large guiding community in the village; all packs are full with long waiting lists, and girls unfortunately are having to be turned away. These waiting lists will only increase with the additional housing being built in the village. If a community venue such as the pavilion was made available to us for one or more nights a week, then it may be possible to set up additional guiding units, giving more girls the chance to benefit from the rainbow, brownie and guide experience.
- We have recently had our rent doubled at our current venue and are struggling to meet costs without doing substantial additional fund raising. A local reasonably priced community venue would make a huge difference and any money spared would be funnelled directly back into ensuring the girls had the best guiding experience possible.
- There are many activities we would like to do with our guiding units – some of which can be slightly messy, such as baking and crafting. This isn't something we are able to do with ease in our current venue, as we're unable to clear a large enough space for the activity to take place without potential mess to the furniture, which is expensive. However, I am sure the pavilion would be perfect for this type of thing – and of course brownies always clear up after themselves, so we'd leave the place spotless!
- Evening activities for children are not overly common in Roslin, as most clubs tend to take place in Penicuik or Loanhead. If the pavilion was used a night or two a week to offer additional evening activities for this age group, (guiding or otherwise) that would be great. I myself attended a local youth club there from the ages of 14-16, which was run very well and the pavilion was a great location for the club.

Happy to discuss any of the above points in more detail.

Kind Regards,

Pam Gibson (Roslin Brownies, Brown Owl)



[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

26 October 2022

To Whom It May Concern

**Support for LASC Roslin Pavilion Asset Transfer**

I would like to convey my support of the above application, on behalf of Girlguiding Roslin District, as Roslin Pavilion is such an important asset within our village.

Girlguiding Roslin currently have three units meeting weekly – Rainbows, Brownies and Guides, providing fun, adventure, and space for girls aged 5-15 to discover their potential. Rainbows and Brownies both currently meet in the Roslin Masonic Lodge, with the Guides meeting in Bilston Church. While these are great venues, neither are very big, their longevity is not guaranteed, and in these uncertain times prices are increasing substantially. In addition, all three units currently have waiting lists. If we could guarantee a more reasonably priced venue (and more volunteer support!) we would be able to expand so that more girls could benefit locally.

With so much new building happening in Roslin, the need for a venue such as the pavilion will continue to increase. The size of the main hall, the kitchen and toilet facilities, the safe entry and car parking area, and close proximity to the park make this a great space for youth groups to use.

I'm sure many other community groups will also back this application.

Yours faithfully,

Mairi S Needham

Girlguiding Roslin District Commissioner

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## Potential Community Asset Transfer Roslin Pavilion



09/10/2022 09:58

To: Irene Hogg; Lynda Stoddart; Richard Witney

On behalf of Rosslyn Rhino's **Petanque** Club we would very much support a change in the operation of the Roslin Community Hall/Pavilion. The current arrangement is too prohibitive in terms of costs and access.

For the purposes of the **Petanque** Club all we require for tournaments is access to the toilet facilities as currently we have to use a members house. A key safe facility with more reasonable payment terms than £40 per hour with caretaker present would make such a difference to the players and community.

Wishing you every success with this project.

Kind regards

Jim Hiddleston  
Officer Wellbeing Essentials/Rosslyn Rhino's

**From:** Roslin and Bilston Community Council <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** 17 October 2022 12:50  
**To:** Irene Hogg [REDACTED]; Lynda Stoddart [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Community Asset transfer of Roslin community hall

Dear LASC,

We discussed your proposal for the Roslin Community hall at our last Community Council meeting and are happy to offer our support based on the local community having improved facilities and more access at reasonable rates via your investment. A condition of our support being that the local community are represented on the 'Hall Committee' to work with groups to provide an arrangement beneficial to all parties.

If we can be of any further assistance please do not hesitate to get in touch and we look forward to hearing the outcome of your application in due course.

Kind Regards

Donna

RBCC

On Wed, 19 Oct 2022, 08:03 Jean Anderson, <[REDACTED]> wrote:  
Thank you for your involvement and support.

Greatly appreciate that Roslin has a fast growing population and there is much demand for baby, toddler and childcare in general.

There is also a great need for activities which would interest the teens and give them somewhere to go and become involved.

Roslin too has an existing population of the older generation, many of whom are lonely and not so able. An inclusive policy for Roslin, old and new.

Realise I suggest the need but I am unable to provide the solutions!

Good luck and best wishes in going forward.

Mrs J Anderson



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**Richard Witney**  
October 11 at 10:45 PM

### Community Consultation

#### LASC & Roslin Village asset transfer of the Roslin Pavillion

You may remember in June 2019, the Roslin Village Group held an open day to gauge support for the asset transfer of the Roslin Pavillion. At this time, we got some great support and we went on to apply for OSCR charity recognition for the group as well as submit the formal asset transfer application to the council. Unfortunately, we were declined OSCR charity recognition, along came the pandemic and our project stalled.

We now have an exciting opportunity to partner with Roslin After School Club (LASC Childcare Services) for a new application. LASC (a registered charity) will be the main applicant and have a lot of experience of other asset transfers. They will have use of the building for the pre school after school care and after school kids club. Between these times, in the evening and at the weekend the hall will be available, at an affordable rent, for the community to use for clubs, sports, meet ups, parties etc. We are hoping access will be available via a booking process, a keysafe and local key contacts. It is proposed that there will be a Board set up to run the Pavillion and this will have local community members. The introduction of a community café, sports facilities and potential inter organisational projects will create job roles and help support developing skill sets which support employability.

In support of our application, we would like to gauge community interest via this post in Roslin Forum. Your comments would be really helpful and very much appreciated. Please provide comments to this Facebook post or alternatively, please email your comments to: [roslinvillagegroup@gmail.com](mailto:roslinvillagegroup@gmail.com). Closing date for comments is Friday 21st October.

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Ellie Geen

This sounds brilliant, LASC is a great organisation and this sounds very positive for the village!

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Rosewell Parish Church Hall  
Crafts · 1 guest



TOMORROW AT 10 AM  
**Christmas Fayre at The Dean Tavern**  
The Dean Tavern,  
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TOMORROW AT 7:30 PM  
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- Mary McCulloch**  
This sounds like a great idea and a very exciting prospect for all. It's so sad to have such a huge building situated right in the heart of a growing community that that is under-utilised and has such huge potential. Very supportive of this application.  
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- Emma Boyd**  
Excellent news for the village  
Like Reply Share 3w
- Sara Jones**  
Great idea and solution  
Like Reply Share 3w
- Catherine Roberts**  
Brilliant ❤️❤️  
Like Reply Share 3w
- Abby Houston**  
This is certainly great news for the community  
But would LASC not benefit from running a full time nursery from the premises as they do in Rosewell and it works really well.and that was an asset transfer too.  
I don't know how many rooms your pavilion have in order to share with the community.  
But good luck with this project.  
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- Kay Dewar**  
Great idea and I fully support the creation of a hub in Roslin. Many folks used the hub to meet friends at the Bush showing folk liked to meet and catch up. Equally the cafe at Glencorse has created an

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Well done Richard, glad to hear that. I will give you as much support as I can.

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