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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **WE ARE READY TO OPEN!**

The ambitious Wingrave Community Association Vision:2020 Project at Wingrave Community Centre is now complete, having seen a full refurbishment of the main halls.

The re-opening was celebrated by an official launch event on the 19<sup>th</sup> September where the residents of Wingrave and Rowsham were, under strict Covid-19 guidance, able to view and experience the new spaces.

The stunning refurbishment was made possible from funding of a £70,000 grant from FCC Communities Foundation. FCC Communities Foundation is a not-for-profit business that awards grants for community projects through the Landfill Communities Fund.

**Cheryl Raynor FCC Community Foundations grant manager** says: it is great to see this refurbishment completed, the community were involved in the consultation every step of the way and I hope it meets their expectations!

FCC Communities Foundation is always happy to consider grant applications for projects that make a difference to local communities and this is a great example of what can be achieved."

Andy Targell, Chairman of the WCA Vision2020 project, is delighted that the project is now completed. He says: "This vital facility is now fit for the modern era and is going to make a real difference to those regular users, as well as the wider parish community, local clubs and local societies. We are extremely grateful to FCC Communities Foundation for providing funding as we would not have been able to go deliver such a fantastic facility without their support."

## **Notes to Editors**

● *FCC Communities Foundation is a not-for-profit business that awards grants for community, conservation and heritage projects from funds donated by FCC Environment through the Landfill Communities Fund and Scottish Landfill Communities Fund. Since 1998, FCC Communities Foundation has granted over £200m to more than 7,000 projects which benefit people living within 10 miles of a FCC Environment landfill site. For more information please visit [www.fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk](http://www.fcccommunitiesfoundation.org.uk)*

● *FCC Environment is the leading UK waste and resource management company and is part of a global group with a strong heritage in providing services for communities and business. Its vision is to be the environmental company of choice, delivering change for a sustainable future. It employs 2,400 people and operates more than 200 facilities across England, Scotland and Wales. FCC Environment donates the landfill tax credits that are generated by its operations to FCC Communities Foundation, in order to add value to the environmental and social infrastru*

*cture of the communities around landfill sites. [www.fccenvironment.co.uk](http://www.fccenvironment.co.uk)*

● *The Landfill Communities Fund and Scottish Landfill Communities Fund - any waste that is discarded which cannot be reused, reprocessed or recycled may ultimately be disposed of in a landfill site. To encourage the re-use, recycle and recovery of more value from waste and use more environmentally friendly methods of waste disposal, Landfill Tax is charged on each tonne of waste sent to landfill. Landfill Operators (LOs) are able to redirect a small proportion of landfill tax liability to support a wide range of community and environmental projects in the vicinity of landfill sites through the Landfill Communities Fund (LCF) and Scottish Landfill Communities Fund (SLCF). The LCF is regulated by ENTRUST on behalf of HM Revenue & Customs, and the projects are delivered by enrolled Environmental bodies (EBs). The SLCF is regulated by SEPA on behalf of Revenue Scotland and projects are delivered by Approved Bodies (ABs).*

*∄ FCC Communities Foundation awards grants to community projects from funds donated by FCC Environment through the Landfill Communities Fund. Previously known as WREN, FCC Communities Foundation was established in 1997 and has provided over £250m to more than 7,500 projects across the UK.*

Wingrave Community Association (WCA) is a registered Charity that maintains and manages the Wingrave Community Centre and supports various Parish services including the Communique, the Village Postie email service and the Village Directory. The WCA provide a range of activities and events for the Parish spanning all age groups from Village Barbecues, to Winter Family Evenings, Theatre in The Villages, Clubs & Societies days, Bingo and the Christmas Balls. The WCA also provide

small grants to local clubs and societies. Find out more by visiting our website

<http://www.wingrave-wca.co.uk/>