## Trust Report to Newent Town Council 24th July 2023

The new pavilion building has been progressing very well and is expected to be completed by the 1<sup>st</sup> of November. The builders have been working hard to get it watertight before the end of the summer and are currently well ahead of schedule. Once watertight the security fencing can be reduced slightly.

There was a deficit in the build funding identified back in April but this has unfortunately grown following some issues with some of the funding which The Trust is seeking additional advice over. The current deficit is £87K. The Trust is actively looking at alternative funding to ensure the smooth progression of the build.

NTC admin staff are assisting the Trust to reach out to community groups who may be interested in using the pavilion and the Rec once completed. It will be available to hire and all groups welcome. Contact can be made directly to NTC office or website. We are keen to hear from people at this early stage so that if there are any additions that would particularly facilitate a group it may be possible to add that during the next internal fit out stage of the building works. At this point it is still possible to make some adjustments to the internal space to ensure that it is useable for as many of the community as possible.