



NEWS RELEASE – 16 November 2011

Photo opportunity: Journalists and photographers are invited to attend at 3.00pm at Purton Village Hall, Station Road, Purton, Swindon SN5 4AJ

Time for tea

Purton Parish Council will be raising a cuppa on Thursday 17 November when they reveal the new, improved kitchen area within the Purton Village Hall.



The refurbishment project was made possible following a grant of £15,000 from Hills Waste Solutions from the Landfill Communities Fund (LCF) which is administered by Community First. Further donations were made by Wiltshire Council Area Board, Vastern Lodge, Purton in Bloom, Purton Lydiard Charity, Age Concern and other private contributors.

All the funders will join the Parish Council to celebrate the improvements that have been made to this well-used and central community amenity over the past few months.

Ed Dodd, disposal team manager for Hills Waste Solutions, says, "It is really important to have a community area like this village hall where local people can meet and hold events. Hills is pleased to have been able to help with the funding."



The old kitchen was stripped out to create a new efficient catering area including a large electric cooker and hood; microwave; water boiler; new sink and kitchen units. The entire area has also been redecorated and new serving hatch shutters installed.

“Having a well equipped and modern facility such as this will definitely help to increase the hiring income for the Hall and that money will contribute to the maintenance and upkeep of the building,” says parish clerk Shirley Bevington.

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Notes for editors

The Landfill Communities Fund (LCF) Over the past 15 years Hills has channelled some £8.5 million into environmental and other good causes across Wiltshire through the Landfill Communities Fund . This innovative tax credit scheme enables operators of landfill sites to contribute money to enrolled Environmental Bodies (EBs) to carry out projects that meet environmental objects contained in the Landfill Tax Regulations and improve the lives of communities living near landfill sites.

<http://www.entrust.org.uk/home/lcf>

Hills Waste Solutions offers a range of specialist waste management and recycling services to both the public and private sector. It is a dynamic regional business which, while centred on Wiltshire, has stretched its boundaries into neighbouring areas to become one of the region's largest providers of waste solutions. Hills Waste Solutions is a wholly owned subsidiary of The Hills Group Limited, a privately owned family company established in 1900. www.hills-group.co.uk

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Community First (an enrolled EB) is a charity working to improve the quality of life and the economic well-being of people throughout Wiltshire and Swindon. With the aim of empowering people and strengthening local communities, Community First provides technical advice, practical support and grant aid for a wide range of community-based projects meeting local needs locally. www.communityfirst.org.uk