

## **Agenda item 16**

### **Warm Spaces**

At the January 2025 meeting of Willand Parish Council the following minute was recorded.

The Chair asked whether the WH&CC could be used as a “warm space” with the Parish Council providing some funding. Cllr Little advised that other organisations provide similar facilities in the village and suggested that there should be a co-ordinated approach. The Clerk advised that a specific proposal would be required for this to be added as an agenda item.

A paper explaining the concept of warm spaces is attached which was found via the internet.

To date no contact has been made with all the other organisations within the village which are providing some form of warm space or community facility but these do include the two churches and WHCC. All projects are run by volunteers and are independently self financing.

The time of year for warm spaces need is moving on but there is still perceived requirement for ‘community space’ and support for those in need in the community, particularly for those alone and experiencing loneliness.

It is proposed that the Parish Council considers making modest funds available for the organisation of **additional** ‘events’ should there be an approach from any village group or organisation to provide such a described ‘community facility’.