**New Depot – Specification/Ideas**

**Parking:**

Space for at least 4 work vehicles (these would need to be large spaces – 4x4, pick-up, tipper etc).

It would be nice to have awning for the open-backed vehicles, so they don’t fill up in wet weather.

Provision for electric vehicle charging.

Space for staff parking c.6-8 vehicles.

Room for trailer, bowser (near water supply).

Room for temporary vehicle – telehandler etc.

Bicycle storage.

**Outside / Yard:**

Outside storage containers. We currently have two 3m x 3.70m sheds – We’d like to increase the square meterage by about 50%.

Outside storage for low value items such as cones, railings etc.

Small areas for wood chippings, 3 compost heaps 3m x 2m, road salt. 2x2m each.

Waterproof outside sockets.

Boot scrapers and brushes at entrance to building.

Gardening area – to heel in saplings and to prepare plants etc.

Outdoor taps. (Bowser needs to be sited near water supply).

**Main Building:**

Common Room/kitchen area – for 6-8 people. Featuring sink, fridge, microwave, kettle, cupboards, table & chairs.

It would be good to make this a comfortable space, with good quality table and chairs etc – This would be valued by staff who often work in inclement weather.

2x DDA Unisex toilets.

Wet room/ Shower.

Drying room.

Locker room.

Office – with room for 3 desks.

Main workshop – This would need to be at least 10m x 5m to accommodate two work benches.

It will need a double door / high roller door to bring in large items.

It would be good to have good natural light in the workshop to reduce the need for electric lighting during the day.

Well ventilated, to accommodate use of paint, chemicals, power tools as necessary – dust extractor system.

Possibly featuring an air line around work benches.

Charging area for SID batteries, electric tools etc.

Internal storage for valuable tools (possibly lock in cage) and Christmas Lights.

Chemical Store. Petrol Store – sited at sufficient distance from each other – located outside – separate doors.

**Other:**

Consider solar panels, ground/air source heating.

Consider insulation, energy efficiency.

Set alarm by code.

Internet access.

CCTV.

Solar panels or green roof.

Water storage system to capture rainwater for bowser.