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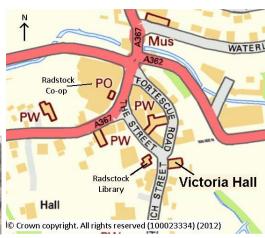
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### Dear Resident

## Have your say on the future of Victoria Hall, Radstock





Location Map of Victoria Hall

Bath & North East Somerset Council wants to hear from the communities in and around Radstock, on the future use of Victoria Hall following the vacation of Norton Radstock Town Council from the Hall at the end of February 2012

### Background

Photo: Victoria Hall

The original building on the Victoria Hall plot was built in 1866 as the Working Men's Institute. Additions and adaptations were made to commemorate Queen Victoria's Diamond Jubilee in 1897 creating the recognisable layout of the main building as it exists today including a Reading Room, Snooker and Refreshment Rooms on the ground floor and Meeting Hall on the upper floor.

For the last 25 years, as well as providing an administrative base for Norton Radstock Town Council, the Hall has been used as a community facility.

### **Current state**

Over the last 10 years the building has gradually fallen in to disrepair and it is estimated that £250,000 is required to bring the building back into a condition that would be suitable for its ongoing use.

#### Accommodation

Victoria Hall is located in the heart of the Radstock Conservation Area and comprises approximately 545 m<sup>2</sup> of accommodation made up of:

- One large hall on the first floor of around 125m<sup>2</sup> with stage and catering facilities
- Three offices on ground and first floors totalling 53m²
- Snooker room on the ground floor of 90m²
- Reading room and other ancillary accommodation including toilets on both floors
- 2/3 bedroom Caretaker's house and gardens to the rear

# Your thoughts and ideas

The Council wants to develop a proposal for Victoria Hall for it to become a lively and vibrant part of Radstock Town Centre that complements the existing facilities in the area. We want to hear how you think we can achieve this.

I would be grateful would complete the attached questionnaire by 15<sup>th</sup> June 2012. I look forward to analysing the results and reporting back to the community in due course.

Yours faithfully

Councillor Paul Crossley Leader of the Council