



At the centre of the Centre...

How the construction expertise of T.M. Browne is helping create a new centre of village life for the local community...

When you undertake a project to revitalise a much-loved 100-year-old building and create a new village hub to serve the local community, it helps to have over three decades experience in caring for people and their properties.

That – together with an unrivalled mix of local and experienced tradesmen and an established supply base – was the reason T.M. Browne have now begun the renovation of Dersingham Village Hall. Having won the contract in an open tender situation, the company is now undertaking a major community project that will take around a year to complete. And before work on the site even started, T.M. Browne worked closely with the Dersingham Parish Council team during the funding period

to value engineer the project, meeting the available budgets from The Big Lottery Fund and other local contributors.

Over the coming months, T.M. Browne will demolish the existing outhouses and a majority of the main building except the front brick and carrstone elevation. They'll then start on a new timber framed two-storey rear and side extensions and a new roof structure (using the existing tiles) – giving the village hall a fresh new look with new zinc roofing and a mix of larch cladding and render. Happily, the adjacent village bowling green will remain live throughout the build period.

Planned in consultation with

the Sandringham Estate and English Heritage, the new design is respectful of the surroundings and will be a fabulous centre of village life.

Once complete, Dersingham's new village hall will include an extended hall area with a new kitchen, a new stage and storage area for performances, new toilets with baby change facilities, a relocated Parish office meeting room, and a break-out hub for meet and greet events.

T.M. Browne is pleased to be helping create a fabulous new village centre for group meetings, community activities, special occasions and private room hire – and we'll keep you updated on the exciting project's progress over the coming months.

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