

News from your community hall[View this email in your browser](#)***Greetings everyone!******I wanted to wish everyone a Merry Xmas and Happy New Year!***

Thank you to everyone that have given me your times for 2026. We have a lot of interest from new hirers, so spots are filling fast. If you are unsure if you will return in 2026 please let me know ASAP.

Invoices are being sent now to cover hire in January and they will be sent in January for hire in Feb.

I found the doors unlocked again this morning so have contacted Armstrong Security to have our gallery locks changed to ones that self lock as this is an ongoing issue. I have emailed all groups that used the hall yesterday as not one when I viewed the security cameras checked the gallery doors were locked on departing the hall.

I am totally open to ideas on how I can fix these ongoing issues, the hall being left unlocked or windows open and the place not cleaned on departure. This is all part of your hire agreements. Please let me know your thoughts on a solution to these issues.

I have looked into security night patrol but cant find this in Mapua and this would certainly add on as an extra cost to the hire rate and increase prices. So far these are the changes put to the committee to implement for next year

There are 4 changes next year.

1. I will need a name/s of the person in your group that is in charge of checking your space is cleaned on departure ie chairs are put away, rubbish is removed, any spillages are cleaned up, carpet in foyer is vacuumed if required and no dishes are left in the sink.

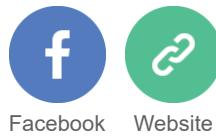
2. I will need a name/s of the person allocated to evacuation in the event of an emergency for your group that can familiarise themselves with the emergency exits and evacuation procedures.
3. \$50 fees will be applied to the hirer if the hall is left unlocked or space left uncleaned on departure.
4. Mapua hall is proposed to become the local emergency centre hub. This means in the event of an emergency the hall will be used as a centre to support our community. This means any hire over this time would not be available. Any money paid would be credited off the following months hire or refunded as discussed at the time of the event. This isn't likely and lets hope we don't need to implement this but its also comforting to know we can come to help the community should the need arise. We have been given a grant to install Solar Panels once our roof is repainted in February.

The lock box code is being changed in the new year so please keep an eye out on your emails for the new code.

Please let me know your feedback thanks Wendy

Thanks to everyone for the smailes, great chats and vibrant energy you bring to the hall.

Have a safe holiday and see you in 2026!



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