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Village plea for cash to restore hall

A TINY South Humberside village has made an impassioned plea for financial aid in restoring the village hall.

Mrs. C. Dale, who lives in Wold Newton, has written on behalf of the 60-plus residents to ask Cleethorpes Borough Council for £3,500.

The money would finish restoration work on the hall, which is the villagers' only meeting place.

Currently all village meetings are held in the home of Mrs. Dale, members of the council's Policy and Resources Committee were told.

So far the villagers have raised £5,000 to fund the restoration but the effort has taken them five years.

Mrs. Dale said in her letter: "It is a community that tries very hard to help itself, but there is a limit."

She went on: "£140 was given in August 1983 as our share of the Lottery Fund. No other money has

ever been allocated to Wold Newton and Humberside County Council refused to give a grant to restore the hall."

Ward members for Wold Parishes, Coun. Peter Mills (Ind.), said: "This is a far-flung outpost of our borough. We have a duty to spend money in all corners of it.

"There is no bus service and they do depend on fostering a community spirit."

He promised to investigate Mrs. Dale's letter and to report back to the committee, which has deferred a decision.