

OVING RECREATION AND PAVILION FUND

FUNDING GROUP MEETING NO 11 – MONDAY 03.11.08 AT 7pm IN THE READING ROOM, BOWLING ALLEY, OVING

Present: Roger Ball (Chairman)
Sally Parrott
Jo Smith
Mary Peeters
Susie Hawkins
Adrian Wilson
David Smith (Item 7 onwards)

Apologies: Stephen Stokes
Lynn Hillston
Roger Hawkins

1. The Note of **Funding Group Meeting No 10** on 06.10.08 was approved for circulation.

2. **Forthcoming events**

- **ABBA Night on 22.11.08**

Raising the profile of the event through flyers and posters has boosted ticket sales, which now stand at 132. Majestic Wine will deliver the drinks on the day and provide free glass hire. We have the temporary licence from AVDC. There will be a stage for the group, with tables along the side of the hall, which will be decorated in 70's style. There will also be a raffle on the night, and it is anticipated that an overall profit of around £1,000 can be achieved.

- **Car Raffle to be drawn at Spring Ball**

Ambrose McGinn has established that a licence is required from the Gambling Commission, and this will take about six weeks to obtain. Tickets will therefore go on sale early in the New Year.

- **Christmas Carols at Ground Farm Barn on 22.12.08**

Mary has already sold 14 tickets for this event, at which mulled wine and mince pies will be served. It is hoped that donations will be made in addition to ticket sales, with the proceeds split 50/50 between the Church and the Pavilion Fund.

- **Oving Spring Ball on 16.05.09**

Jo reported that the total cost of hiring a marquee and related facilities is likely to be in the region of £4,000. For an event of this size, sponsorship is required and local businesses are to be approached. Advertising space will also be for sale in the programme, at a cost of £100 per full page, £50 for a half and £25 for a quarter. A possible live band has been identified. Maxine Myatt has requested use of the marquee on the following day to celebrate her birthday and wedding anniversary. In view of the fact that it will be on her land, there were no objections.

3. Funding up-date

Roger B reported that he has had a meeting with Laurie Johnson, Funding Advisor at Bucks Community Action about seeking grants. Despite the failure of the WRG Communities Challenge run by WREN, he suggests that we should still seek a maximum grant of £50,000 from WREN's normal fund. The Communities Challenge is likely to run again in 2009, and we can re-apply. In the meantime, Roger is turning his attention to the Football Foundation, and the Leader Programme, which has European funds to invest in rural communities.

4. Any other business

David has not yet had an opportunity to discuss a Quiz Night with Roger H and the landlord of the Black Boy.

Sally has an idea about having a Village Christmas Tree next to the Reading Room for messages and donations, but needs to make some enquiries and perhaps keep this in mind for 2009.

5. Date of next meeting: Monday 1st December 2008 at 7.00pm in The Reading Room.