

# **OVING PAVILION PROJECT**

## **FUNDING GROUP MEETING NO 1**

**03.12.07 AT 7PM IN THE READING ROOM**

### **Present**

Roger Ball – Chairman  
David Smith  
Roger Hawkins  
Adrian Wilson  
Stephen Stokes

### **Apologies**

John Palmer  
Jo Smith  
Susan Hawkins  
Jason Gore  
Francesca Bateman

### **History of project and current situation**

Roger Ball gave a brief summary of the proposal to build a new pavilion and meeting room on Oving Recreation Ground.

Following a positive response to the Questionnaire distributed to every home in the village in February 2007, Oving Parish Council formally resolved to investigate the feasibility of the project. It was decided to set up two working groups:

1. Location and Design, chaired by Jack Peeters
2. Funding, chaired by Roger Ball

The Location and Design Group has met four times to consider the most appropriate site for the new pavilion. The Funding Group was meeting for the first time.

### **Allocation of responsibilities**

It was decided that Roger Ball would investigate the possible sources of major funding from grant applications, while David Smith would co-ordinate fund-raising within the village. Although there is no firm costing available as yet, it is estimated that a new pavilion and meeting room would cost in the region of £250,000 to £300,000, depending on location and design. Oving Parish Council has already received £9,500 from the Church Farm development to be spent on improvements to the Recreation Ground. It was agreed that the village should aim to raise an additional amount between £15,000 and £20,000 to give credibility to grant applications.

## **Village fund-raising criteria**

The following points were agreed:

1. There should be no clashes with other established fund-raising events, such as the PCC village fete.
2. We should investigate the possibility of joining with other causes such as Macmillan Cancer Support in planning fund-raising events.
3. Sponsorship should be sought when appropriate.
4. We should approach local contacts and local media.
5. We should make maximum use of the marquee we have available, or use facilities in other villages if necessary.
6. It must be made clear that money raised will be spent on the Recreation Ground even if the pavilion project does not go ahead.

## **Fund-raising events**

The following suggestions were made (subject to the agreement of third parties where appropriate):

Book sale at the Black Boy Public House

Horse racing evening

Street party in the village

Guinness World Record attempt at Bucks County Show

Attractions at the Oving Villages Cup Final

Car boot sale on the Recreation Ground

An event connected with the former village activity of lace-making

## **What next?**

Group members were delegated to research the details of the possible events and report back to the next Meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2008.

A total of 65 residents indicated on the Village Questionnaire that they would be prepared to become involved in fund-raising activity. All those who are still willing to help should contact David Smith on 641621 or Roger Ball on 641345.

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