

OVING RECREATION AND PAVILION FUND

FUNDING GROUP MEETING NO 12 – MONDAY 01.12.08 AT 7pm IN THE READING ROOM, BOWLING ALLEY, OVING

Present: Roger Ball (Chairman)
Sally Parrott
Roger Hawkins
Mary Peeters
Lynn Hillston
David Smith

Apologies: Adrian Wilson
Jo Smith
Susie Hawkins

1. The Note of **Funding Group Meeting No 11** on 03.11.08 was approved for circulation.
2. **Report on ABBA Night on 22.11.08**

This was a very successful event, with all tickets sold. At one stage, the bar ran out of beer, and replacement supplies had to be obtained from Tesco. There has been a lot of positive feedback about how much everyone enjoyed themselves. A large amount of work went into the event, which was organised by Nicola and John Hale, Francesca and Steve Stokes, Sarah and Nigel Westacote, and Pam and Adrian Wilson.

Adrian has produced an interim balance sheet showing a profit of £1,036.82, with some small amounts of ticket money still to collect.

3. **Forthcoming events**

- **Car Raffle**

Roger H reported that the Gambling Licence is still awaited. Once this is obtained (by the end of the year, it is hoped) the tickets can be printed. It is still envisaged that 5,000 books of 5 tickets at £2 each will be required, giving a breakeven sale of 1,700 books required to cover the cost of the car. As it is the intention to hold a separate raffle at the Spring Ball, Roger H now suggests that the Car Raffle is drawn at the Black Boy on a Saturday lunchtime in June (say 13th). We can then have the car on display at the Ball and possibly sell more tickets that night.

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

Mary has now sold 41 tickets. The price includes a glass of mulled wine, with additional glasses available at £2 each. The wine will be obtained from Tesco, and Lynn and Sally will help Mary with the baking of mince pies.

- **Oving Spring Ball on 16.05.09**

A live band has been booked, and the sub-group arranging this event has allocated specific tasks to its members. David will speak to the Parish Council Clerk to ascertain if the VAT on the marquee hire can be reclaimed by the Parish Council.

4. Funding up-date

Roger B reported that he will be attending the launch of the Leader Programme at the King's Head in Aylesbury tomorrow. Funding is available from Europe via the South East England Development Agency (SEEDA) for projects such as farm diversification, forestry, tourism and rural community improvements including village halls. Oving is in the eligible area for applications.

Jack Peeters, with the agreement of the Parish Council, has instructed an Architect to provide design drawings, site layout plans for two possible locations, and cost estimates for the building and external works, in sufficient detail for a planning application to be made. The issue of location can then be put to residents again, and applications for funding will include more accurate costings than in the past.

5. Any other business

David has the agreement of David Hales at the Black Boy to hold a Quiz Night in March 2009. Details are to be confirmed.

Roger B has spoken to John Motson, the football commentator, who is prepared to assist with fund-raising. John's multi-coloured pre-match notes are frequently auctioned for charity, and Roger H suggested the possibility of building an auction evening around this. John would be prepared to attend if a suitable date can be agreed. It was agreed to carry this idea forward to the next meeting.

6. Date of next meeting: Monday 19th January 2009 at 7.00pm in The Reading Room.