

OVING RECREATION AND PAVILION FUND

FUNDING GROUP MEETING NO 16 – MONDAY 11th MAY 2009 AT 7PM IN THE READING ROOM, BOWLING ALLEY, OVING

Present: Roger Ball (Chairman)
Jo Smith
Mary Peeters
Adrian Wilson
Roger Hawkins
Susie Hawkins

Apologies: Sally Parrott
Lynn Hillston

1. The Note of **Funding Group Meeting No 15** on 16.04.09 was approved. Since then, Lynn has indicated her wish to stand down from the Group after the Ball, due to family and other commitments. Roger has already thanked her for her substantial contributions to our efforts.

2. **Forthcoming events**

- **Oving Springtime Ball on 16.05.09**

The Annual Parish Meeting will now take place on 28th May instead of next Thursday to enable final preparations for the Ball this week. Jo and her team report that all tickets have been sold and at least nine tables sponsored. The marquee will be erected on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. Maxine Myatt has dropped her plans to use the marquee on Sunday, and volunteers are requested to help with tidying up on Sunday morning at 11am. Jo will finalise the insurance arrangements, as we are not fully covered by the Church Farm policy. Food preparation has been allocated to the team of volunteers.

Roger H produced several copies of the programme, which he has generously funded. It is a very professional publication. Advertising is expected to raise £500, and there are some interesting raffle prizes. It was agreed to auction the John Motson match boards on the night, with a reserve of £250 on each board, and Roger H will make the arrangements. Ambrose McGinn is kindly supplying the wine at cost price.

It is difficult to estimate the eventual surplus on the event, but firm ticket sales, sponsorship and advertising will ensure that the Parish Council will not incur a shortfall.

- **Tennis Tournament on 19.07.09**

The date has been changed at Harriet Cullen's request, and this event will now be held on a Sunday. The concept is for 32 players to participate in a round robin tournament in the morning, using all the village courts, with 8 players progressing to semi-finals and finals at Oving House in the afternoon. There will be a fee of £10 for taking part, with spectators charged for entry to Oving House Grounds, where light refreshments will be available.

The event will be publicised through the Tennis Club, the Parish Newsletter and a separate flyer, with Roger H supervising the matches.

3. Funding up-date

Jack Peeters is close to finalising the pavilion design with the architect, and plans will be available at the Annual Village Meeting. It is then intended to put the location and design options to the vote within the village. Once we have a decision on these matters, we can proceed with planning permission and firm applications for grant funding.

4. Any other business

- Roger B reported that planning for the Great Oving Run on 20.09.09 will commence after the Ball has taken place.
- Roger H has entered the London to Brighton cycle ride on 22.06.09. Although sponsorship is for a specific charity, he is hoping to arrange some private sponsors for the Oving project.

5. Date of next meeting: Monday 15th June 2009 at 7.00pm in The Reading Room.

RCB 13.05.09