

SEDLSCOMBE SPORTSFIELD – CONSTRUCTION OF REPLACEMENT PAVILION

CURRENT SITUATION

1. PLANS

- a. Anthony Rand to check with Rother DC regarding current approved plans.

2. SPECIFICATION

- a. Anthony Rand and Bill Cameron to work on a specification for the new pavilion.
- b. Anthony Rand to speak to contractors who have already submitted quotes.

3. COSTINGS. Firm costings to be drawn up.

4. ALTERNATIVE WAYS OF CONSTRUCTING THE PAVILION. Consideration to be given to alternative ways of building the pavilion eg self-build.

5. FUNDING

- a. Currently in hand: Sports Association £11,225 (interest to be added). The Association has paid all bills to date. The final account has been paid re Andrew Gerken. Parish Council £18,000. A total of £29,225 in hand.
- b. Possible funders:
 - i. Landfill Communities Fund. Large grant scheme up to £50,000 or Small grant scheme BUT unrestricted public access must be provided for a minimum of 104 days/year (ie no less than 4 evenings, two days each week, or 12 full weeks each year).
 - ii. Peter Harrison Foundation. Grant aids “Opportunities through Sport” – only available to charities in the South East. (Sports Association is not a registered charity)
 - iii. **Sport England: Community Investment Programme. Grant aid of between £500 and £10,000 offered through the Awards for All grants programme.**
 - iv. National Sports Foundation. Grant aid will match new money from a commercial or private investor. £50,000 is the minimum from private investment.
 - v. Foundation for Sport and the Art. Maximum funding is £75,000 but practically the maximum is around £35-£40,000. Interest-free loans are available. Grants to end user only.
 - vi. **Football foundation. Maximum funding is 90% of the cost but this would be extremely rare. Initial talks with FF have been held by Sports Association. Negotiations have become prolonged.**
 - vii. **Rother District Community Fund. £5,000 maximum grant**
 - viii. **Isabel Blackman Foundation. Local charity based in Hastings.**
 - ix. **Sussex County Playing Fields. SPC is a member. Gives small grants or loans.**
 - x. **WARR Partnership. Small grants only available.**
 - xi. **Village.** Begging letters could be sent to Village and sportsfield users.

6. NEXT STEP

- a. Once Rother has confirmed plans are OK, a specification has been agreed and firm costings have been obtained, application should be made to funders to cover as much of the cost as possible. Council to consider how shortfall can be met.