

MEETING REPORT: CIL Grant Application

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I spoke to the CIL planning officer just before Christmas to discuss the CIL application for the Pavilion.

They had looked at our previous application and advised that the main reason it had not been short listed was because there had been no development in Owslebury over the past year. It seems unless there is any major development in the area, they do not consider the application. The other reason was because the application asked for the full amount of the build.

The planning officer did mention that Owslebury could potentially have 2 allocated housing sites in the update to the SDNP Local plan, this would help the application. However, the Local Plan sites may not be confirmed by the time the application is submitted.

The planning officer suggested contacting Furnhurl Council in West Sussex as they have successfully built a new pavilion to talk with them about funding. I have been given the name and email address of the relevant person to speak to. Please let me know if you would like me to contact them.

I did mention that the pavilion would not just be for the residents of Owslebury but for Winchester and the surrounding areas due to the lack of sporting facilities in the Winchester area and that the pitch was usable in all weather conditions as it doesn't get flooded like many others in Winchester. The planning officer suggested to include this information in the application as this would certainly help.

I spoke about how the Council would like to fund this project by local fundraising, using grants from Sports England, and potentially taking out a loan. The planning officer advised that all this needs to be included in the application as they are looking for projects that will match fund.

The deadline for the application is 31/03/26.

The planning officer was happy to arrange a Teams meeting with us all if we need it.

I am happy to take on writing the application.