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FAO: Avebury Parish Council

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Dear Sirs

ASSC – FUNDING APPLICATION TO SPORT ENGLAND – REQUEST FOR AVEBURY PARISH COUNCIL SUPPORT

Overview

Further to recent informal discussions with members of Avebury Parish Council, we write to inform you of, and seek your support for, a funding application that we intend to make on behalf of ASSC, that would (if successful) fund certain improvements to the internal layout of our Club building..

The proposed improvements aim to:

- enhance ASSC's links with local sports clubs – and in particular those who use the adjoining sportsfield as well as our club building;
- increase the range of community activities which can (physically and profitably) be staged at the Club; and
- (by achieving these two aims) improve the income potential of the Club as a not-for-profit community institution, helping to secure its long-term future.

The details of the proposed improvements remain at a preliminary stage, and depend on (a) the total amount of funding ultimately available; and (b) formal approval from our membership. Changes might include, amongst other things, making alterations to internal space; removing the second "pool" room in the Club building; installing changing rooms, showers and W.C.s; adding a kitchen, and making alterations to the West facade of the building to improve views across the adjoining sportsfield.

Support and Consultation

We have asked the 170 members of ASSC (the majority residing in the Parish) for their support in exploring a funding application for these improvements, and received unanimous support at an EGM convened specifically for this purpose.

Request

Following consultation with Sport England, we have been advised that a short letter from our local Parish Council outlining its support for the aims and objectives of this funding application (set out above) would be an important factor in their assessment of the merits our application.

We would be very keen to secure a **simple outline letter of support** from you on this basis, and would ask that this matter be raised immediately with your councillors at your earliest convenience. Our funding application deadline is the 15th of June, 2016.

Conclusion

We thank you in advance for your prompt consideration of this proposal, which we believe will lead to much-needed improvements to this important community facility, to the benefit of current and future parishioners.

Yours sincerely,

Dominic Fry
Chairman

Alan Blake
Secretary