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Dear Mr Watt,

Over the past few years WADRA has raised funds for the restoration of the Pavilion and Community Hall at Mapledurham Playing Fields (MPF), due to the continuing failure of Reading Borough Council as Trustee to maintain the facility to an acceptable standard. Currently our fund holds about £75,000 for this purpose. Also, Festival Republic have offered a further donation of £25,000 once refurbishment of the Pavilion is certain.

Reading Borough Council (RBC) as Trustee has allocated £100,000 of its S.106 funds to the same end, of which £85,000 is left after obtaining Planning Permission for the Pavilion restoration.

WADRA will hold its Pavilion funding until a satisfactory contract for the restoration of the Pavilion is in place, subject to inclusion of the RBC funding and maintaining the integrity of the MPF Trust in its entirety. With the assurance of a lease of at least 25 years, funding bodies will be able to make grants in support of MPF.

Yours sincerely,



Robin Bentham
Chairman