Issues and suggested improvements suggested by the Cricket Club

Further to the last Zoom Meeting it was requested that the Cricket Club and the Tennis Club submit a “wish list” as to the improvements that we would like to see take place at the Denes Oval Site.

After conferring with our committee, I can confirm that the Cricket Club suggested wish list is as follows:

Improvements needed to the Club House:

* Upgrading and extension of the current Social Room for meetings and match teas
* Redesign and upgrade of the Kitchen and refreshment storage facilities
* Installation of club bar facilities to the Social Room (possibly combined within the kitchen)
* Home Team changing rooms with lockers, WC’s and showers
* Away Team changing rooms with lockers, WC’s and showers
* Dedicated Ladies Changing rooms with lockers, WC’s and showers
* Welfare Facilities for people with mobility issues/disabled
* Installation of Heating/Air Conditioning Units (Eco friendly)
* Installation of Solar Panels for Hot Water and/or Heating

Other Issues:

* Relocation of Office/Groundsmen’s Rooms incorporating a Secure Store Room for Grounds Equipment and Cricket Equipment
* Relocation of the Cricket Scoring Room to an independent Scoring Hut in good sight of the wickets with large digital score board above viewing window
* Rebuilding of the missing section of wall to fully secure the grounds
* Redevelopment or Refurbishment of the sheltered viewing area (possible suggestion as an indoor cricket net)
* Obtain permission to promote the club at the entrance by using the outside of the boundary wall, possibly a sign saying “Denes Oval The Home of Lowestoft Cricket Club” with a board underneath with up and coming fixtures
* Obtain permission to use the inside of the boundary wall to place business sponsored advertisements, similar to which other sporting clubs have around their pitches
* Application for a Drinks Licence to serve alcohol

I appreciate this is quite a large list and to achieve it the current club house would need a total redesign. Assuming that the members of Lowestoft Town Council are in agreement with these suggestions, I feel in principal these are achievable subject to obtaining the necessary funding.