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Orwell Village Hall Management Committee.
High Street,
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For the attention of the Secretary Mr Andrew Pulham.

24th October 2021

Dear Sir,

I am secretary for the Orwell Carpet Bowls Club and I am writing to you in the hope that the OVHMC may be able to help us.

We are currently a small club of twenty-three members having lost seven members over the last eighteen months for a number of reasons. We are hopeful of welcoming another nine onto the mats shortly.

Our problem is one of age. Our members are getting older and the mats seem to be getting heavier. To avoid someone having a heart attack we are researching the possibility of buying a storage unit which has a winding mechanism making it possible for anyone to roll the mats onto the unit. Unfortunately, these are not cheap.

We do have some funds but one of our mats is nearing its end of life and a new mat is in the region of £600. The storage units seem to start at £425 and finish around the £1K mark.

We are waiting on references for the unit at £425 delivered, which would come from g.h.workshop on ebay, to establish if it is robust enough.

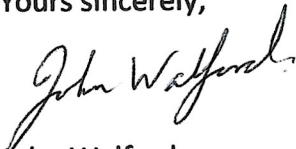
Below is a link to one of the manufacturers which shows the two mat Windup Unit at £595 plus VAT, plus delivery and assembly extra.

<https://dukebowls.com/product-category/bowls-handling-units-and-accessories/bowls-handling-units/>

It would help us enormously if the Village Hall Committee could offer us some financial support. I cannot stress enough the importance of our Bowls Club to its members as it is very much a social event as well as bowling and, after the last 20 months, don't we all need a bit of socialising?

Thank you for your time.

Yours sincerely,



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