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Representatives from the Seagrove Pavilion Trust, Seaview Football Club, Seaview Guides and the construction team at the launch of the new Seagrove Pavilion . 0813-J57530

Community celebrates launch of new pavilion

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AFTER 18 months of tireless community effort, Seagrove Pavilion will open its doors on Sunday.

Everyone is welcome at the open event, which begins at 1.30pm and will celebrate the achievements of the trustees who have driven the project.

A charitable trust was formed once the community was handed the challenge by councillor and Seaview Football Club deputy chairman Reg Barry, who had been hoping to improve facilities on the site for more than ten years.

Trust manager Kevin Berry said: "Once we started the ball rolling the momentum kept

By Kate Cranwell

gathering and, in 18 months, the pavilion has become a reality, due to the unbelievable community support we received."

Food and refreshments will be available at the open day, as well as music from The Wild Oats, a silent auction and a grand draw.

There will also be a chance to meet past Seaview FC football players — the club would love to see any former players to recognise their contribution.

The event is also a great chance to look round the smart pavilion which, as well as a

new home for Seaview FC and 1st Seaview Guides and Brownies, also provides a clubhouse, changing facilities and a kitchen.

It will be a welcome meeting hall for community groups of all ages, from the guides and Brownies, to Seaview Seniors' Club, as well as for recreational activities, such as petanque, yoga and pilates.

The pavilion project was made possible through financial awards from Biffa and the Inspired Facilities Lottery, which provided the initial half of the funding.

Other generous donations were received from Seaview FC, Seaview Village Regatta, Nettlestone and Seaview Parish

Council, the Community Partnership, 1st Seaview Guides and Brownies, businesses, local groups, many people with second homes in the area and residents' individual donations.

Pledges of materials, labour and consultancy by Island and mainland businesses were equally essential to the build and included more than £25,000 of heat pump equipment from energy company CTC and £10,000 worth of building materials, supplied by Bardon Vectis.

Kevin said: "The funding allows us to build on our community links and enable more people to be involved in sport — the pavilion is a real asset for Nettlestone and Seaview."

Factfile

Name: Seagrove Pavilion

Address: Seagrove Farm Road, Seaview.

Opening event: Sunday, August 11

Time: 1.30pm

Tel: 612602

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