

HELSEBY GOLF CLUB

GREEN POLICY DOCUMENT

TITLE	FAIRWAYS & ROUGH MANAGEMENT
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OWNERS	COG/HG
PURPOSE	<p>To ensure that the quality of the fairways is at a consistent height throughout the year. As integral part of the course they will have clear definition, be of minimum width and a consistent distance from the medal tees.</p> <p>The rough will be kept at a consistent height and clearly defined from the fairway and the deeper rough.</p> <p>Rough which is not cut will be introduced from an Ecology aspect.</p>
BACKGROUND	<p>The course is built on clay and therefore drainage projects have been introduced on a regular basis to ensure that they improve year on year – this will continue.</p>
CURRENT SITUATION	<p>The fairways have benefited in recent years from a consistent programme and good equipment. Annual displays of daisies, buttercups and dandelions will be discouraged. Most rough is cut to a consistent level and very little is left uncut.</p>
PLAN	<p>Drainage projects will be planned each year.</p> <p>Consistent cutting height will be maintained and a clear definition with the rough will be a major part of the members desire to have a good ‘visual’ experience and a clearly visible playing strategy for each hole</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Current areas, of varying severity, requiring rebuilt drainage are 15, 14, 13, 3, 2, 16/17 – these will be addressed as part of the ongoing programme• The cut will be maintained at 14mm in the growing season• The fairways will be cut once each week in the growing season and as necessary in the winter• The fairways will be scarified and tined a minimum of once a year• Fertilizer, weedkiller and wetting agents will be applied to fairways when necessary• The rough carry from the medal tees will be a minimum of 100yds• The existing width of the fairways will be measured, an approved width for each will be established and recorded in this document• Rough will be cut between 25 and 50mms.• Areas will be identified where rough can be left uncut and yet retain the parkland aspect of the course• Members divoting parties will be organised 3 times a year.