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Cardigan

1st December 2017

To: Cardigan Golf Club Annual General Meeting

Mr President, Madame Chairman, members - first of all may I apologise for my absence this evening, a double booking I made back in the spring, and not simply an excuse to avoid writing the minutes.

For the past 3 years I have thoroughly enjoyed my tenure as honorary secretary, and I would like to thank all the members for your support and encouragement, including those "cardis" who requested personal terms, and even those members who managed to lose locker keys and misplace bar cards. I would like to thank Clive for his continued help, and my fellow executive members for their assistance and support, particularly those that have willingly (mostly) taken on duties previously undertaken by the secretary. I would particularly like to express my thanks to Pat and Lil, and Steve and Helen, for their professional advice and knowledge.

Even though some members may not like the description, the club is a small business, with a turnover of £260,000, 10 employees, a significant number of contracts and several thousand hopefully satisfied customers, and with this comes the requirement to adhere to significant amounts of regulation and legal compliance. All this is directed and managed by a group of unpaid volunteers, known as the executive committee, who also happen to like to play golf.

I believe the work over the last couple of years, and in particular the last 12 months, has built on a foundation put in place by both current and previous executive members, and has put the club in an excellent position to move forward, with a framework in place minimising any risk to the club from the aforesaid regulation and legal compliances, and will enable us to extract maximum benefit from what is one of the best courses and clubs in Wales.

I regret that I am personally unable to commit the time required to continue as honorary secretary, but I will endeavour to assist wherever and whenever I can. I urge you all to fully support the officers and executive members of the club, including those elected to tonight, whoever they may be. Any help you can give, whether it is helping with the juniors, fund raising, fixing toilets, changing light bulbs or maybe a bit of redecorating, contributes to the success of OUR golf club. One of the major strengths of this club is its committed and passionate membership.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Paul Miles', written over a horizontal line.

Paul Miles.