

ROYAL NORWICH GOLF CLUB LIMITED

Minutes of the 122nd Annual General Meeting held on Friday 24th March 2017
at 7.30p.m. in the Clubhouse

PRESENT: Mr D J B Coventry (Chairman)
Mrs A Loveday (Captain)
Mrs E C Bishop (President)
Mr R F Innes (Vice Captain)
Mr E Brown (Vice President)

Total present 61.

APOLOGIES: Apologies were received from 15 members.

The Chairman welcomed members to the Annual General Meeting and Mr Eddie Bullock and Mr Stephen Thurlow (Non Executive Directors) to the meeting. He gave a brief resume of both.

The Chairman asked for 1 minutes silence for those members and friends who had passed away during the past year.

As this was the first AGM as a new Limited Company the Chairman explained the proposed running order to incorporate the Golf Club business and Company business.

1. **TO RECEIVE AND ADOPT THE DIRECTORS REPORT AND ACCOUNTS FOR THE COMPANY FOR 2016**

Proposed by Mr G Taylor that the Report and Accounts, as displayed on the Noticeboard and website, be adopted. Seconded by Mrs A Loveday.
CARRIED ON A SHOW OF HANDS.

2. **TO ELECT MISS S HAMLIN AS A DIRECTOR OF THE COMPANY**

Proposed Mr R Watson. Seconded Mr R Innes.

CARRIED ON A SHOW OF HANDS.

3. **TO RE-ELECT LOVEWELL BLAKE LLP AS AUDITORS FOR 2017**

Proposed Mr D Coventry. Seconded Mr G Cartwright.

CARRIED ON A SHOW OF HANDS.

4. **TO CONSIDER AND, IF APPROVED, TO PASS A SPECIAL RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE ARTICLES AS FOLLOWS:**

a) To amend Article 23.1.2 so that "Captain's" is replaced by "Members"

There were no questions. 75% majority needed.

No members against – special resolution carried.

b) To delete Article 30 other than Article 30.3 – Transitional arrangements

No members against – special resolution carried.

c) To renumber Article 30.3 as Article 30 and to make an amendment to ensure consistency with the Member's Rules

No members against – special resolution carried.

d) To delete the second sentence from Article 46.2 to remove the inconsistency with Article 47

No members against – special resolution carried.

e) To amend the definitions of Ladies and Gentlemen's Golf to make them consistent with the Member's Rules and to incorporate a similar definition for Senior's Golf

No members against – special resolution carried.

5. TO CONFIRM THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON FRIDAY 18TH MARCH 2016

Proposed by Mr J Davison that the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 18th March 2016, as displayed on the Noticeboard and website, to be taken as read, confirmed and adopted. Seconded by Mr W Loveday.
CARRIED ON A SHOW OF HANDS.

6. TO RECEIVE THE CAPTAIN'S REPORT

The Captain made a couple of amendments to the report previously displayed on the noticeboard and website as follows:
In the first paragraph 2017 should read 2016.

5th para – addition – Sam Martin has been appointed Ladies County Captain and I am sure you will join with me in wishing her good fortune in her year of office.

13th para – to read – Royal Norwich Golf Club will change. Royal Norwich is changing is its reputation will change,

7. ACCOUNTS 2016

DC explained it was not necessary to bring the accounts to the AGM but he felt it gave closure on the old administration of the club.

It had been a poor year. We had been saved by the refund of the VAT money.

Relocation had led to loss of confidence but going forward we now have clarity.

The adoption of the accounts for 2016 was proposed by J Gorman, seconded E Brown. CARRIED ON A SHOW OF HANDS.

8. **ELECTION OF CAPTAIN FOR 2017**

The Captain proposed the election of Mr R Innes for Captain. She thanked him for his support as Vice-Captain and wished him a successful year as Captain. Mr J Davison seconded. ELECTED BY SHOW OF HANDS.

Mr R Innes took the Chair, thanked the members for electing him and said a few words. He congratulated Angela Loveday on her Captaincy and presented her with her photograph and a gift.

9. **ELECTION OF VICE-CAPTAIN FOR 2017**

The Captain proposed Mr J Davison as Vice-Captain. Seconded: Mrs A Loveday. ELECTED BY SHOW OF HANDS. Mr Davison responded giving his support to the Captain in the coming year.

10. **ELECTION OF VICE CAPTAIN RESPONSIBLE FOR LADIES' GOLF FOR 2017**

Jacky Pett was elected as Vice Captain responsible for Ladies' Golf for 2017. Proposed Richard Innes, seconded Sammy Martin.

11. **ELECTION OF VICE CAPTAIN RESPONSIBLE FOR SENIORS GOLF FOR 2017**

Wyn Loveday was elected as Vice Captain responsible for Seniors Golf for 2017. Proposed Richard Innes, seconded Peter Hamlin.

12. **RELOCATION**

David Coventry and Phil Grice gave a brief update on relocation.

We are looking to relocate late Spring/early Summer 2019. The clubhouse will be started in approx. one year.

Nigel Carter asked if inflation had been built in. DC – Yes we are getting fixed costs.

Steve Ansett was given reassurance RNGC would not be liable for any problems found.

Iain Wylie asked if an estimate had been put on running costs of the new venue. *DC – yes we have had a budget for the last 3 years.*

Nicky Wylie asked if the new course was to include practice facilities – Yes.

PG - the second course will most likely be 6 holes to allow the holes to be played over 1 or 2 hours (6 or 12 holes).

David Lord asked if we now owned Weston Park. *Yes. Construction will commence shortly.*

Paul Pritty asked of the prospects for Royal Norwich at Hellesdon over the next two/three years. *It was felt Hellesdon will create a step between here and Weston. There needs to be money spent during this time to improve facilities and keep course in excellent condition. 2018 will be our 125th Anniversary. Celebrations will be organised to acknowledge this.*

Shane and Louise Clements, together with other staff will be TUPED from Weston Park.

Persimmon will take charge of the 2nd and 10th holes some time in July. Hedging will be taken down and replaced with fences.

Mel Richards asked if any more archaeological works are scheduled for Hellesdon. *No.*

Gill Henson Andrew asked why so many trees had been cut down. *It was explained that many of the trees had become overgrown.*

Rod Palmer asked if the main 18 holes at the new venue would be as shown. *Yes.*

Nicky Wylie asked if there would be disruption around the 2nd/10th holes before July. *Yes – on roads/hedges.*

Peter Hamlin asked if staff training would be included ongoing. *PG confirmed this would play a huge part going forward.*

Mel Richards thanked the relocation team for their hard work.

Nicky Wylie asked when members would get a look at the new clubhouse plans. *These would be available when rock solid plans were received.*

The Captain closed the meeting by saying a few words.

THE MEETING CLOSED at 9.15 p.m. Meeting end.