



MINEHEAD & WEST SOMERSET GOLF CLUB

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MINUTES OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY MARCH 4TH 2019 at 5:30pm

Present: WJ Perkins (JP), A Bissell (AB), R Chidgey (RC), G Ross (GR), D Bickerstaff (DB), M Shortland (MS), B Chaffey (BC), John A'Court (JA).
P Arbourne (PA) taking the minutes.

Apologies: D Hayhoe, L Trump, D Compton, G Baxter.

Minutes of Last Meeting: these had been approved via email.

Matters arising:

- i) MS stated that he had received 3 quotes for the Ladies Showers, all coming in at around £12,000. RC added that the ladies would be willing to put some money towards the flooring. JP thanked her for the offer but added that the club should pay and the ladies could put the money to something else. AB added that the club should be able to cover £10-12,000. This could be starting in 4-5 weeks time.
- ii) A discussion then followed concerning the cleaning contract. JP and RC had drawn up a cleaning chart which the cleaners will have to sign post cleaning. RC agreed to oversee this. The present cleaners will be given a month's notice and then our new cleaners (Sancom) will take over.
- iii) Our website is now secure.
- iv) Teamo has a total of 50 possible members, before a monthly subscription is payable of up to £15 per month which may make it non-viable to use for Club Matches as Avalon A/ B and Seniors are already using it.
- v) The Pro Shop have agreed to pay towards the cost of the broadband.
- vi) The 2 new computers in the Office were working very efficiently.
- vii) The problem with BRS is still on-going as the person from BRS is on leave.
- viii) The course is in excellent condition. We are still chasing up the planners re our environmental permit. It was felt that waiting for over 18 months for planning permission is totally unacceptable and further representation should be made to the council.
- ix) Work had been carried out on the roundabout. Thanks to Mike Nichols who is working with Highways.
- x) The tiling in the Gents' toilet had been completed.

- xi) The smoking bin was being emptied regularly but it is sometimes difficult after a busy Saturday.
- xii) The possibility of installing a safety screen between the foyer and dining area was discussed. A decision will be made once we have quotes for the screen and the bar.
- xiii) It was agreed to purchase a washing machine/dryer and install it in the kitchen.
- xiv) Regarding social media GR has contacted Adam Dover and he is now a Moderator but not Admin. We may have to scrap our current page and set up new one.
- xv) The Pros' contract was discussed and it was stated that the Security Alarm System was with the Club.

1. Items from the Chairman.

- a) The Cleaning situation had already been covered.
- b) Curtis Edwards was hoping to turn pro in April and a request was received to use the Club logo on his bag and for him to represent the club.
- c) The matter of the previous Marketing Committee was raised and JP asked GR to pass on some of the ideas raised to Gerry Baxter.
- d) JP thanked the Committee for all their hard work. There was a much more positive feeling about the club. He added that the Annual Dinner was excellent.
- e) The matter of allowing dogs in the clubhouse and on the course was discussed. JP pointed out that club rules and bye-laws can only be changed at an AGM. He had received a letter from a member and dog owner. It was **agreed unanimously** that well-behaved dogs would be allowed in the foyer prior to this year's AGM.

Course – Denis Compton had sent in his report which can be viewed on the Club Noticeboard.

Finance – The Club's general financial situation was outlined by AB – we had had some new members, Green Fees were slightly lower due to an unusually dry winter period and Bar & Catering was down. He would need to discuss with MC members their budget for next year. On the whole, however, he was comfortable with where the Club was financially.

Premises – MS raised the question of the position of the new handrails to go outside the front entrance to the clubhouse. This was discussed briefly as he was having a meeting with Paul Arnold on the following day.

The parking spots had been done.

The problem of the septic tank was discussed. The fat trap outside the kitchen needs to be emptied regularly. DB would sort it out.

Bar/Catering – **It was agreed to spend £650-700** to redecorate the cellar.

For the Open Week (March 11-16) the Kitchen would be putting on special deals for bacon baps and coffee and a meal afterwards.

DB was also disappointed with the state of the stairs going up to the flat and spike bar.

AoB

- a) AB raised the present situation of the Health & Safety protocols that had been set up. PA would speak to the areas involved.

- b) AB brought up a request for a member to pay individual membership subscription via Corporate Membership. **This was refused.**
- c) The Sky rep had been to the Club - £3600 per annum. **This was decided against but may be reviewed in the future.**
- d) Course lease – any future building on the chipping area was not going ahead. The lease would be going ahead on the same terms as before. No increase for 5 years and a 15-year lease.
- e) The A358 would be closed just outside Williton from March 18-March 31. PA agreed to contact visiting groups.
- f) DB said that Greene King had offered a voucher for 2 Committee Members to play at Knowle on April 9th.
- g) GR was delighted that all Captains at the Club had agreed to take part in the drive-in on Sunday March 24th.
- h) JP was very grateful for the work done by Committee members, but especially the time given up by our Treasurer. It was hoped that any future Manager/Secretary would take away some of the work that he was doing. He asked the Committee members to try and think of someone who would be capable of taking on this job and if any Committee Members were considering stepping down from their posts to give ample time to find replacement nominations prior to the AGM.

Meeting closed at 7:50pm.

Next meeting Monday April 1st at 5:30pm.

Date: _____

Signed: _____

Chairman