



# **MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2022 AT 1900Hrs IN THE CLUBHOUSE, CORAMS LANE, WELLINGTON**

## **1 The Chair declared the meeting open at 19.00 pm**

## **2 Apologies**

Bill Warnett, Ian and Eileen Stewart, Chris and Sally Williams, Simon and Monica Spalding and Sally Waygood

## **3 Presentation of Audited Accounts**

Derrick advised that the accounts had now been audited and presented them to the meeting. Clive Manning asked about the final cost of the extension and was advised that it was approximately £58k but the that exact figure was not available as costs were spread over more than one set of accounts. Ian Hollingsworth wanted to know what the 'other' amount in the 2020 accounts was and was advised that it was believed that the majority was grants. Mike Connor requested a detailed explanation of the accounts which Derrick provided. It was agreed that in future the 'other' category would not be used unless absolutely necessary but, if it was, notes explaining it would be added to the accounts. Geoff Stamp asked why the accounts were not available for the AGM. Janet explained as she said at the AGM, that our previous Accountant had retired and that the Accountant recommended to the Executive had not been able to fully complete the Audit of the Accounts. We therefore had to find another Accountant to complete the Audit of our Accounts and unfortunately we could not have the Accounts ready for the AGM. We do not anticipate having the same problem for our 2022 Accounts.

Following other general questions, the Chair asked the approval of the accounts.

John Cherry proposed and Eddie Dilley seconded and the accounts were then approved by a show of hands.

## **4 Appointment of Auditors**

It was agreed that Batchelor & Co, who audited the 2021 accounts would be appointed to undertake the 2022 accounts

**5 Proposal by the Executive Committee** (Vote was taken by a show of hands on the proposal)

## **Future funding of the indoor rink**

## **Background to the motion**

Under the current regulations Indoor Membership Fee is £15 and £2 per 2-hour session.

Roll Up Group members currently pay upfront for their scheduled slots in September and January. This has been in force for some time but never enforced. League and Casual Bookings are on a pay as you play basis.

Our Indoor Membership fees and playing fees have not risen in recent years and are cheaper than other local Clubs. Taunton Deane and Mid Devon have Membership fees £40 and £70 respectively and playing fees of £3 per 2-hour session.

## **Motion for eligible members to vote on**

The Executive Committee has received comments from Members about how our Indoor Rink is funded. Currently the club needs to ensure that it raises around £20k just to meet its obligations and the Executive Committee has calculated that it costs around £6k to run the indoor rink.

The Executive Committee has listened to all comments and has come up with the following three options for Members to vote upon.

### ***Option 1***

Keep the current system; Roll Up Groups Pay in Advance, League and Casual Bookings are on a Pay by Play basis and £15 Indoor Membership Fee. In the event of members, having paid in advance, being unable to play due to medical or family reasons and with the agreement of the roll up secretary they may revert to a pay as you play basis for a period of time.

### ***Option 2***

All sessions will be on a Pay as you Play Basis and will rise to £3 per 2-hour session and £15 Membership Fee. This is to cover the fact that the club cannot guarantee what income will be received if members only pay when they turn up.

### ***Option 3***

A Membership Fee of £50 and no further payment for sessions played. Under this option based on playing one session per week the Executive have calculated that Members will save a minimum of £21 over the year.

The Chair explained the proposal and then threw the meeting open to the floor.

Clive Manning asked if the option 3 of the proposal was sustainable and was advised that the Executive believed that it was but that it would be subject to a one-year trial commencing in May 2022. It would then become clear if the Exec had got it's figures right.

Various members expressed their views on all options and the Exec responded where appropriated. After everyone present had a chance to speak a vote was taken and the result was as follows:

Option 1 17 Votes  
Option 2 2 Votes  
Option 3 23 Votes  
Abstention 2 Votes

Option three was therefore carried and will be implemented effective 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022 for the trial period.

**6 The Chairperson (Janet Moore) closed the meeting at 20.25 pm**

Signed: .....  
Janet Moore (Chairperson)

Date: .....2022

# APPENDIX A

## Wellington Bowling Club Balance Sheet at 01/10/2019

	2017/18	2018/19
<b>Fixed Assets</b>		
Clubhouse & Indoor Green	£ 198,644.10	£ 200,651.06
Outdoor Green	£ 13,696.34	£ 13,696.34
Indoor Carpet	£ 1,080.00	£ 864.00
Green Keepers Equipment	£ -	£ -
Central Heating Systems	£ -	£ -
Kitchen Equipment	£ -	£ -
Other Clubhouse Assets	£ 714.66	£ 571.73
<b>Total Fixed Assets @ NBV</b>	<b>£ 214,135.10</b>	<b>£ 215,783.13</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>		
Cash	£ 37.87	£ 38.29
Current Account	£ 47,098.93	£ 70,641.13
Building Fund Account	£ 5,700.00	£ 5,704.41
Social Fund Bank Account & Cash	£ 2,821.85	£ -
Social Fund Cash	£ -	£ 200.00
Stock	£ 1,383.87	£ 1,771.73
Bar Account	£ 300.00	£ 400.00
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>£ 57,342.52</b>	<b>£ 78,755.56</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>£ 271,477.62</b>	<b>£ 294,538.69</b>

<b>Liabilities</b>		
Long Term Loans	£ -	£ -
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>£ -</b>	<b>£ -</b>
Building Fund	£ 5,700.00	£ 5,701.57
Accrued Expenses	£ 2,043.99	£ 2,043.99
<b>Reserves</b>		
Accumulated Fund	£ 263,733.63	£ 286,793.13
<b>Reserves &amp; Liabilities</b>	<b>£ 271,477.62</b>	<b>£ 294,538.69</b>
<b>Balance</b>	<b>£ -</b>	<b>£ 0.00</b>

## Wellington Bowling Club Accounts to 30/09/2019

	2017/18	2018/19	Variance
<b>Income</b>			
<b>Subscriptions &amp; Green Fees</b>			
Outdoor Membership Fees	£ 10,352.50	£ 11,646.00	£ 1,293.50
Indoor Membership Fees	£ 3,504.00	£ 2,704.00	-£ 800.00
Social Subscriptions	£ 420.00	£ 350.00	-£ 70.00
Indoor Green Fees	£ 10,110.80	£ 7,464.00	-£ 2,646.80
Indoor Roll-Up Fees	£ 231.00	£ 2,648.50	£ 2,417.50
Comp & Tournament Fees	£ 565.00	£ 1,158.80	£ 593.80
<b>Total Subs &amp; Fees</b>	<b>£ 25,183.30</b>	<b>£ 25,971.30</b>	<b>£ 788.00</b>
<b>Other Income</b>			
Bar	£ 25,203.65	£ 29,432.06	£ 4,228.41
Social Fund	£ 4,681.00	£ 5,074.00	£ 393.00
Locker Rentals	£ 522.00	£ 483.00	-£ 39.00
Draw & Raffle	£ 3,217.90	£ 4,381.00	£ 1,163.10
Donations	£ 562.10	£ 530.00	-£ 32.10
Building Fund Donations	£ 2,190.00	£ -	-£ 2,190.00
Sponsorship	£ -	£ -	£ -
Catering	£ 2,660.74	£ 4,461.32	£ 1,800.58
Other	£ 1,007.58	£ 2,347.14	£ 1,339.56
Tour	£ 6,992.00	£ 8,132.00	£ 1,140.00
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>£ 47,036.97</b>	<b>£ 54,840.52</b>	<b>£ 7,803.55</b>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>£ 72,220.27</b>	<b>£ 80,811.82</b>	<b>£ 8,591.55</b>

<b>Expenditure</b>			
<b>Bank</b>			
Charges	£ -	£ -	£ -
<b>Catering</b>			
Catering	£ 1,576.43	£ 3,859.33	£ 2,282.90
<b>Green</b>			
Materials	£ 2,341.68	£ 2,460.50	£ 118.82
Maintenance	£ 1,072.28	£ 1,020.00	-£ 52.28
Equipment	£ 384.87	£ 195.96	-£ 188.91
Fuel	£ 79.10	£ 41.28	-£ 37.82
Consultancy	£ -	£ -	£ -
<b>Total Green</b>	<b>£ 3,877.93</b>	<b>£ 3,717.74</b>	<b>-£ 160.19</b>
<b>Clubhouse</b>			
Cleaning Wage	£ 2,288.00	£ 2,623.46	£ 335.46
Cleaning Materials	£ 177.94	£ 365.46	£ 187.52
Waste	£ 407.40	£ 799.96	£ 392.56
Equipment	£ 503.38	£ 669.01	£ 165.63
Electric	£ 1,162.58	£ 1,231.59	£ 69.01
Gas	£ 2,415.41	£ 1,876.48	-£ 538.93
Rates	£ -	£ -	£ -
Water Rates	£ 1,229.34	£ 473.34	-£ 756.00
TV Licensing	£ 147.25	£ 150.92	£ 3.67
PPL	£ 64.16	£ 117.28	£ 53.12
Insurance	£ 1,491.55	£ 1,521.36	£ 29.81
Maintenance	£ 3,666.58	£ 4,307.48	£ 640.90
<b>Total Clubhouse</b>	<b>£ 13,553.59</b>	<b>£ 14,136.34</b>	<b>£ 582.75</b>
<b>Bar</b>			
Supplies	£ 15,429.16	£ 15,953.85	£ 524.69
Equipment	£ 377.98	£ 7.49	-£ 370.49
Maintenance	£ 393.60	£ 78.00	-£ 315.60
Bar License	£ 180.00	£ 180.00	£ -
<b>Total Bar</b>	<b>£ 16,380.74</b>	<b>£ 16,219.34</b>	<b>-£ 161.40</b>
<b>Other</b>			
Admin/Other	£ 3,294.67	£ 3,210.37	-£ 84.30
Fencing	£ 1,446.00	£ 1,728.00	£ 282.00
Parties	£ -	£ -	£ -
Social Fund Costs	£ 4,346.76	£ 1,351.11	-£ 2,995.65
Affiliation Fees	£ 1,321.00	£ 1,365.00	£ 44.00
Bowls Equipment	£ 360.90	£ 193.28	-£ 167.62
Tour	£ 7,236.40	£ 7,965.00	£ 728.60
Prizes	£ 226.00	£ 464.33	£ 238.33
Raffle Costs	£ 1,173.62	£ 1,735.48	£ 561.86
Auditor	£ 850.00	£ 904.00	£ 54.00
<b>Total Other</b>	<b>£ 20,255.35</b>	<b>£ 18,916.57</b>	<b>-£ 1,338.78</b>
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>£ 55,644.04</b>	<b>£ 56,849.32</b>	<b>£ 1,205.28</b>

<b>PBIT</b>	<b>£ 16,576.23</b>	<b>£ 23,962.50</b>	<b>30%</b>	<b>£ 7,386.27</b>
Depreciation	-£ 742.75	-£ 358.93		£ 383.82
Stock Change	£ -	-£ 287.11		-£ 287.11
Interest	£ 55.16	£ 2.84		-£ 52.32
Tax	-£ 488.05	-£ 171.95		£ 316.10
<b>Profit</b>	<b>£ 15,400.59</b>	<b>£ 23,147.35</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>£ 7,746.76</b>