

**Much Wenlock Bowling Club**  
**Committee meeting**  
**28<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at MWBC Clubhouse, Gaskell Recreation Ground**  
**MINUTES**

**Present:** R Kinson (RK) Mrs B Moore (BM) Mrs V Hodgetts (VH)  
D Davies (DD) D Turner (DT) M Theobalds (MT)  
V Skidmore (VS) A Swales (AS) B Davies (BD)  
P Gylward (PG) R Perry (RP)

**1. Apologies:** E Bree (EB) W Jarvis (WJ)  
Mrs E Mumford (EM) R Mumford (RM)

**Action**

**2.** PG welcomed Committee members

**3. Minutes** of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> August 2016 were approved as a true record, subject to two minor changes.

**4. Secretary's report:**

- DT presented recent correspondence with the Gaskell Management Committee (GMC). It was noted that there had been no response to our comprehensive communication of 25<sup>th</sup> July other than acknowledgement as a result of a reminder.
- BD thanked DT for organising equipment for the aborted family fun day.
- AS enquired about the friendly match between the Sytche caravan site and MWBC and was advised that this had fallen into abeyance.

*DD and VH joined the meeting at 18:40*

- Wenlock Olympian Society is holding a Celebration Evening on Friday 14th October. Members were invited, and **it was decided** that DD, VH, PG and DT would attend. BD would be attending in any case as a Life Member of WOS. DT to advise WOS of numbers. DT
- Mid Shropshire Bowling League had contentious issues to consider at its next Executive meeting regarding the conduct of some members of another team. After lengthy discussion about the merits of deducting points etc., **it was decided** to support the proposals that had been advanced by MSBL. DT/RM
- MSBL Annual Dinner 14<sup>th</sup> January 2017 – **it was decided** that the Club would pay for EM and RM to attend. AS
- First Aid training – **it was decided** Tony Swales is to attend – more information please!

**5. Treasurer's report:**

- MT set out financial position, with the current account at £ [REDACTED] and a further £ [REDACTED] expected before end of the season.
- There was a general discussion about planned and necessary expenditure, namely:
  - Green fees to be paid to GMC
  - Cost of physical security measures
  - Insurance cover for equipment etc.
  - Lighting, which had proved unreliable of late
- There was an extended discussion about the anticipated financial outturn for the year. RP/DT/MT
- RP noted that depreciation had not been formally noted in the accounts
- There was a further lengthy discussion about the lights, including the option of LED and their likely cost. **It was decided** that RM would liaise with John Heath electrician to recommend the best way to proceed. RM

**6. Team and League reports**

- AS reported that the Friday team ended the season 8<sup>th</sup> out of 12 – P24 W12 L12. Players’ performance had improved and the final game was a 10:2 defeat of Newport
- DD reported the pensioners ended the season 9<sup>th</sup> out of 14, losing 4:2 today. Keith Banks had the best average. Joe Pope had played every match and had come 5<sup>th</sup>.
- VH reported that the Tuesday team will hopefully be promoted next season
- MT (in the absence of EM) reported that the Monday team ended the season 9<sup>th</sup> out of 11. Several new players were in the team.
- MT went on to suggest that a tasks list should be provided for each home and away match. Thereupon DD produced the list!
- BM suggested that each player should be responsible for finding someone to mark their card before stepping onto the green.

**7. Much Wenlock Town Council grants scheme**

- The committee decided to bid for funds to purchase equipment to encourage junior bowling and coaching. **It was decided** the bid would be £250 MT

**8. Presentation evening**

- To be held Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December at Broseley Social Club, 7pm for 7:30pm. Tickets £7 from VH, all are welcome. Advert to be placed in Wenlock Herald. Raffle prizes to VH please. VH/DT
- VH suggested a skittle supper at The Pottery. Whilst this was thought to be a good idea **it was decided** to leave it until, say, February 2017.

**9. Annual General Meeting**

- To be held Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January, 7:00pm in the Methodist Church hall, King Street, Much Wenlock DT

**10. Open recruitment meeting**

- To be held Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March in the Methodist Church hall, King Street, Much Wenlock DT

**11. Family Fun Day 2017**

- No date decided

**12. Green maintenance**

- “Putting the green to bed” is to take place Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September. As indicated previously, Keith Banks is organising this and it will start at 1:30pm. There will be two scarifiers, two mowers and two wheelbarrows and once the green is clear, Keith will supervise the application of seed and fertilizer. All invited to help! All

**13. Pavilion maintenance and security upgrade**

- Awaiting a response from the Gaskell Management Committee

**14. Date of next meeting**

- To be decided once further communication is received from the Gaskell Management Committee.

**15. AOB**

- AS asked if there was any further progress in being able to access the school car park. It is understood that the Gaskell Management Committee is pursuing this with Wm Brookes School at present.
- MT reported that his personal concern about the refusal of access through the gate at Station Road was the subject of an agenda item at the Town Council’s next meeting.
- DD expressed appreciation to Vic Skidmore who was leaving the district and would therefore be resigning from the Committee and the Club. The Committee is sorry to lose Vic but looks forward to meeting him playing for an opposing team in 2017.

Meeting closed at 20:01