

## **Malmesbury Bowls & Social Club General Committee Meeting**

**16 December 2021**

1. Present – Joan, Paul, Roy, John, Brian, Roger, Tom

Apologies- Derek, Graham

2. Matters Arising from any previous meetings/activities

a) Bowls Ladder – some interest shown. This will be promoted again to the 2022 intake.

b) County men's game – details pending

c) Tour – interest shown but possibly best to postpone under the circumstances

d) Jackdaw advert now placed – four editions

e) Bar/skittles – excellent commitment from the volunteer members therefore all games that took place had a bar facility. A thirteen week session is due to start on 3 January 2022 (Covid willing).

Further details related to the bar will be placed in the newsletter.

f) Defibrillator costs now in.

3. Finances

a) The very positive Treasurers Report was briefly discussed. A simplified version will be posted

b) Electricity, water and internet providers have been changed, to contracts fixed for 2-3 years.

4. Building Survey and Valuation

Two quotes have been received and one will be followed up. A valuation is still pending.

A general discussion took place concerning the known building issues and aspects that may prompt the need for work, both inside and outside.

5. Improvement Planning

The circulated document was briefly discussed and the approach agreed in principle.

A more detailed version will be presented at the January meeting

#### 6. Fixtures and Competitions

- a) The planned bowls game for 27 December 2021<sup>h</sup> will be postponed.
- b) A process was agreed for entry to County and National competitions. Details will appear in the newsletter.
- c) In-house competitions will be discussed in January.

#### 7. Maintenance

- a) Negotiations were agreed concerning a large tree on the opposite side of the river
- b) A long handled saw will be used on the willow shoots.
- c) A quote will be obtained for re-modelling the steps and ramp at the rear of the building to make them safer.

#### 8. AOUB

- a) It was agreed that we would invite Heals (charity) to work with us during the next Bowls taster day that we organize. This also connects with a Bowls England webinar related to the Commonwealth Games and promoting bowls locally.
- b) Noted - croquet will be taking place at Bradford on Avon bowls club
- c) The clubhouse heating has improved but is not yet running as it should. Further investigation will take place.
- d) The glasswasher expert will be asked to re-visit.
- e) The topic of life memberships will be raised at the next meeting.

Date of next meeting- this will have to fit around skittles fixtures. To be advised.