

KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB

Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting held on Thursday 25 September 2020 17:30 in the Clubhouse.

Present	J Airth (JA-Chairman), M Collins (MC-Vice-Chairman), A Penny (AP), M Randall (MR) & D Spencer (DS).	Action
	R Bauser (RB-Manager)	
	Other Codes used in minutes – C Welch (CW), D Knight (DK), R Collis (RC), PH (P Handley), A Magee (CM), A Windsor (AW) & Captains Committee (Capco).	
	APOLOGIES	
	M Welch, A Groom, T Townsend & A Parsons	
	WELCOME	
	JA welcomed all and declared the meeting open.	
1705	MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING	
	On a show of hands, the minutes of the meeting held 19 August 2020,	
	were unanimously accepted as a true record and the Chairman was authorised sign them.	
1706	MATTERS ARISING	
(a)	Progame proposal Ongoing discussions.	
(b)	WHS Signage RB advised that the 2 signs (1st & 11th tees) had been approved and ordered, awaiting delivery.	RB
1707	CHAIRMAN	
	Nothing to report	
4700	OLUB CARTAIN	
1708	CLUB CAPTAIN Minutes of the Captains Committee meeting held on 9 September 2020 were tabled for discussion.	
	 Captains Day Raffle: £915 donated by members. 2019 Stoke Salver Final at Yeovil: Agreed would be played on Sunday 11 October 2020. The Committee agreed to a £400 grant to be used for accommodation and meals. 	
1709	FINANCE	
(a)	 The following documents were circulated to the Directors prior to the meeting: Management Accounts & Report to 31 August 2020. Cash Flow projections to 30 June 2021. Audited year end accounts dated 30 June 2020. The Directors unanimously approved the audited year end Accounts via email on 16 September 2020. DS was authorised to sign them on behalf of the club. 	Page 1

(b) Winter Clubhouse Opening & Closing Hours

On a show of hands, the majority of the Directors agreed to the following times (for 3, against 2 with no abstentions), which would commence from Sunday 25 October 2020:

- Bar & Kitchen to open at 10:00 each day.
- Bar would close at 18:00 each day except for a Wednesday & Friday, when the bar would close at 21:00 & 22:00 respectively.
- Kitchen would close at 17:00 each day except for a Friday, when the kitchen would close at 20:00.

1710 SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

(a) Course

A <u>Course report for September 2020</u> had been circulated for discussion:

The following points were highlighted by AG:

- Due to the recent rains the fairways had more definition and the cross cutting assisted with the presentation.
- Birds were still a problem on the greens & tees. CM would apply 1 application of acelepryn which would kill the food source of the birds. However, another 2 application are necessary.
- > Green were in a very good condition
- Tee pegs should be used on all tees.
- Winter tees as from 1 November 2020
- Preferred lies still in operation.

Course Inspection

MR advised that on 3 September 2020 the Green Committee produced a course hole-by-hole inspection and a subsequent report.

The report covered the following areas:

- Tees
- Fairways
- Fairway bunkers
- Approaches to the greens
- Greenside bunkers
- Greens

Each area was rated as requiring high, medium or low attention.

CM had had the opportunity to view the report and add his comments, which were then discussed at the Greens Committee meeting held on 22 Sept 2020.

The Green Committee identified the following items which required urgent attention:

Course Improvements

- First tee and path
 - Place sleepers around the left and font of the tee and creating a parking area for trolleys
- 14th tee to 15th tee path
 - Build a path from the 14th tee to the 15th tee including a parking area at the end of the path towards the 14th green)
- 16th green path to 17th tee and towards the 17th fairway
 - o Thin trees and build a new path replacing the old
- Install drainage on the 10th hole
 - Linking the ditch to an outlet across the fairway and draining the 2 low areas after the fairway bunker.
- Exit route from the 8th green.
 - Grading and levelling the bank and re-turfing

Course Materials

- Additional overseeding identified.
- Acelepryn (insecticide kills bugs, removes food source for crows)

The Committee unanimously agreed to the following:

- The acelepryn to be purchased immediately Install drainage on the 10th hole. Sept accounts to be reviewed.
- Additional overseeding identified. Sept accounts to be reviewed. JA said that heather should be planted on the many bare patch around the course. A temporary open ditch could be installed across the 10th fairway and marked GUR.

MR said that the next inspection would be done in March 2021 to analyse which projects had been completed. The report had identified a number of areas requiring overseeding for which funding was necessary.

MR/RB

<u>Irrigation System – Borehole & Tank.</u>

MR said that Irritech Ltd had supplied a Borehole Prognosis. The Prognosis would be emailed to all Committee members.

DS

The prognosis concluded that:

- A borehole drilled into the Poole Formation, to a depth of approximately 75 mbgl should be sufficient to provide a water supply of 20 m³/day.
- Where yields may not prove successful or water quality inappropriate for irrigation, the Chalk Group is an alternate target for supply (at significant depth ~130 mbgl).
- The available data suggests a rest water level might be observed at a depth of 13 – 23 mAOD or 50 - 40mbgl. Perched water tables are likely at the intended site.
- The water quality is expected to be sufficient for the purposes of irrigation, although it may have elevated iron concentrations.

Water Quality

- The intended site is not within a Nitrate Vulnerable Zone (NVZ) as specified by the Environment Agency (2020). The intended site is in an area designated as having 'medium to low' groundwater vulnerability'.
- The Poole Formation (Bournemouth Group) is a multi-layered aquifer which has permeable sandy strata confined between low permeability clay; the low permeability strata should provide some protection against the vertical migration of pollutants discharged or occurring surface.

Conclusions & Recommendations

- Based on the local borehole records, the British Geological Survey Geological Map (Map Sheet 329) and literature review, drilling is recommended into the Poole Formation (sandy strata) as a primary target for irrigation i.e. approx. within a radius of 50m from the current water tank.
- Where yields may not prove successful or water quality inappropriate for irrigation, the Chalk Group is an alternate target for supply; however, the formation is expected at great depth (~130 mbgl).
- It is understood that <20 m3/d is required from this borehole (Knighton Heath Golf Club, Francis Avenue, Bournemouth, BN11 8NX), therefore an abstraction licence is not required. The current inefficient irrigation system requires >60 m3/d to water the course.

	If however the abstraction rate is to be increased in the future to a rate >20 m3/d, an abstraction licence application will need to be submitted to and approved by the Environment Agency. After a lengthy discussion MR proposed that the club apply for a "Bounce Back Loan", to finance the borehole & tank project.	
	JA seconded. On a show of hands, the Directors present and absent (via email submission) unanimously voted in favour of the proposal. RB was instructed to apply.	
	Points to note: The 5 yearly machinery replacement program be deferred until 2022.	
	 "Bounce Back Loan", government backed, no interest or repayment for first 12 months, repayments over 5 years with a maximum monthly payment of £ £937 in the 13th month. Reservoir feature to be discussed onsite with Irritech as an 	
	 addition to the tank. Draft tender document to be reviewed by Directors prior to distribution. 	DS
(b)	Corporate & Marketing	
(10)	Nothing to report	
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(c)	Health & Safety	
	RB tabled the H & S Accident Report for 2020. Since the last report in March 2020, two accidents had occurred which were detailed in the report.	
1711	MANAGER	
(a)		
	Playing members – 467 (2020 – 437) Full members – 314 (2020 – 295) 5 Day members – 95 (2020 – 90)	
(b)	Visitors/ Society Guide RB tabled a Visitors & Society Covid-19 information guide which would be either emailed (office) or handed to visitors (Pro Shop).	
(c)	Draft AGM Voting form RB said that he had used Committee members as proposer & seconder for the various Agenda items. Committee approved the form.	
(d)	Dining Room upgrade RB said that he had submitted a proposal for a support grant from EG for a specific sustainable project, upgrade of the dining room with new chairs and a partition. The submission was successful, EG had transferred £9 175 to the club be used as per the proposal. RB to include in a newsletter.	

		RB
1712	CORRESPONDENCE	
	None.	
1713	ANY OTHER BUSINESS	
	JA said that as this was the last meeting for retiring Director, MC he (JA) thanked him for his dedication and support over the last years as Captain, Chairman and Vice-Chairman. He deserved a well-earned rest.	
1714	DATE OF NEXT MEETING:	
	WEDNESDAY 15 OCTOBER 2020 at 17:30	
	There being no further business the meeting closed at 20:15.	
	CHAIRMAN DATED	