



Knighton Heath Golf Club

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Dear Member

Firstly, I would like to thank Des Spencer our (Finance Director) and Reunert Bauser our (General Manager) for preparing a well balanced budget, which meets the needs of a golf Club such as ours.

The Management Committee have now approved the operating and capital Club budget for 2018/19, this is subject to a review at the end of July 2018, once all the subscription income has been received. Subscriptions will therefore be increased by 5%, based on a differential percentage of the full subscription, from 1 July 2018.

The vast majority of the increased income this will generate will be allocated to the course, as in previous years. This will also ensure that the recent work on paths etc. will continue during the next winter period, as without the re-investment we would not have a course.

Contractors will again be used for the heavy work on the fairways, and approaches to the greens. Some of the course machinery has now been replaced at a cost of £175k, which is part of the clubs five year replacement policy.

You will of course have noticed the improvements that have been done on the course during the last year and would agree that the course is going to look and play even better as more is done this year.

We have during the year received numerous compliments from our visitors as to the condition of the course, and in this regard our thanks must go to Alan and his team for their hard work.

It is anticipated by the Management Committee that the Club will be in a position to achieve some of the goals which have been set out in the 5 year Strategic Plan for the Club.

Some of the key capital projects identified by the Committee for future work are:

Course:

- Installation of a new irrigation system (Long term project due to cost)
- On-going improvements with our 5 year course and forestry plan
- Continued improvements to paths and tee boxes

Clubhouse:

- Refurbishment of the shower/wash/toilet facilities (ladies & gents)

We still believe that our Golf Club offers excellent value for money when compared to other Golf Clubs in the area, and that with the continued investment and work in our golf course, we will remain one of the best Golf Clubs in Dorset.

Jim Airth

Chairman