



KNIGHTON HEATH GOLF CLUB

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The Club Management now has available the "facts and figures" of the current and future capital projects, to share with the members:

Course - average monthly cost to maintain the course during 2020/21 - £ 21k.

The green staff were not placed on furlough during the lockdowns and continued with course maintenance as allowed by the government regulations. During the lockdowns there was no additional revenue for the club i.e., green fees, bar & catering.

Estimated monthly cost for 2021/22 - £ 23k.

Borehole - total estimated cost for the preparation, drilling, piping, and pump work - £50k. Initially the water will be pumped into the current tank. By not using council water an estimated saving of between £6k & £7k pa will be achieved. This saving will be reinvested in the course.

Grinding Unit - the management have approved the purchase of a blade grinding (sharpening) unit, this will save around £7k pa, by not having to send the various mower units off site for grinding. This saving will also be re-invested in the course. Cost of unit, £42k.

Irrigation System & new larger storage tank - the current irrigation system is in imminent danger of collapse, the system is more than 40 years old, long past its useful life. If the system were to cease functioning the course as well as the club would be in a very serious predicament.

Therefore, as a matter of urgency the club management has contracted an independent consultant to source tenders for the replacement of the current system i.e., tees, green & approaches. Initial estimated cost £500k. The cost of including irrigating the fairways is an additional £324k.

The Club Management is committed to providing an irrigation system, which will secure the clubs future for the next 50 years. Members will be informed of all the detail and costs pertaining to the system at an EGM.

10 Yearly replacement cycle of course equipment - 50% of the course equipment (mowers etc.) are replaced after a 10-year cycle, which is the maximum life span of the unit. In order to maintain the equipment necessary for the course to remain in a pristine condition, the club will spend around £130k in September 2022 for the purchase of new equipment.

In 5 years' time, the balance of the course equipment will be replaced, this will be in excess of £150k.

Dining Room partition and new chairs - the upgrade was funded by a grant from EG. The room can now host private functions without impinging on the club members.

As can be seen from the above, the club management has a very difficult task to provide the necessary funds to keep the course and the clubhouse in competition with the top-rated courses in Dorset, balanced against the funding of the various projects from members subscriptions, which is around 80% of the club income.

Not an easy task.

Keep safe

CLUBHOUSE & OFFICE HOURS



As from Monday 10 to Sunday 16 May 2021, weather permitting, the patio area will be open for table service only, from 10:00 to 19:00.

Please note that the rule of 6 will apply.

All bar stock items will be available e.g. bean to cup coffee, beers, wines, soft drinks, crisps, peanuts etc. The kitchen, will however remain closed to allow for re-stocking etc.

The office will also open on Monday 10 May 2021 between 09:00 and 13:00, as from Monday 17 May 2021, normal office hours.

If all goes according to plan the clubhouse will be fully open for business (bar & kitchen) as from Monday 17 May 2021 at 10:00.

To download the clubhouse and office hours as from Monday 17 May 2021, click on the read more button below.

Enjoy and keep safe.

FUNERAL - SANDRA COLMER



The family of Sandra Colmer have advised that only family and close friends have been invited to attend the cremation service on Friday 21 May 2021, due to being restricted by the Crematorium to 30 people.

However, the wake will be held in the clubhouse from 11:00.

Please advise the club office, for catering purposes if you would like to attend.

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