

# WELLINGTON (SOM.) BOWLING CLUB

## Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on Friday 9th October 2020 at the Clubhouse.

The meeting opened at 9.30am

### **1. Members**

<i>Role</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Initials</i>	<i>Role</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Initials</i>
President	Gill Groves	GG	Admin Co-ordinator	Henry Richbell	HR
Chair	Janet Moore	JM	Bowls Co-ordinator	Eddie Dilley	ED
Treasurer	Tony Gibson	TG	Asset Co-ordinator	Tony Woollard	TW
Functions Co-ordinator	Steve Lovell	SL	Admin. Assistant	Brian Wombwell	BW

**2. Apologies:** None. All present

### **3. Minutes of Previous meeting**

The minutes of the held on 11th September were accepted as a true record and signed by the Chair

**4. Matters arising from the previous minutes** (not included elsewhere on the agenda).  
There were no matters arising.

### **5. Chair's Report Janet Moore**

The Clubhouse renovations are progressing very well and members have expressed very positive views on the work carried out so far.

Members are playing regularly on the outdoor green and more members have seen that we are operating in a COVID safe manner and more members have decided to start playing. Our 6 new members have also enjoyed being able to play.

One member who only started to play in the last month, has requested that I raise the following question with the Executive Committee. "Will we as an Executive Committee consider changing the system we have operated since June for the remaining few weeks of the outdoor season and allow triples to be played?" This question was discussed and it was decided that, as we have only about four weeks left before the Green is closed, we do not allow triples to be played.

We have played mixed friendlies against Taunton Deane and North Petherton and members of all participating clubs have really enjoyed the experience.

Thanks to Henry for organising the Singles and Pairs Competitions which members have enjoyed playing. The Finals held last Saturday were extremely well supported.

And lastly thanks must go to the Green Staff for the work in keeping the Green in such a good condition for us to enjoy playing under the current difficult conditions.

### **6. Admin Co-ordinator Henry Richbell**

Henry explained that he had not done a report because matters relating to his area are to be raised later in the meeting.

#### **Safeguarding**

Tracey has had to resign from her duties as Welfare Officer because she has other commitments working for her local church. Gill said she would take over as Welfare Officer.

#### **BowlR**

The inputting of information is complete and the system is being tested and should be working by the time we open the Indoor Rink.

We also need to get internet installed so that members can book rinks direct at the club.

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### **7. Bowls Co-ordinator Ed Dilley**

- a) Jay has arranged two more friendly matches in September and these will be the last for this current season.
- b) Eddie reported that he had contacted Richard Manning, as requested at the last meeting, and Richard confirmed that he would continue to coach new members. It transpired that Richard Manning and Richard Whiting had previously agreed to work together and share new members between them, but this did not happen, as there was no contact between them. It was agreed at the meeting that Eddie would take responsibility for all new members and he would share out the new members between them.
- c) Eddie informed the committee that Richard Manning had been seriously ill which had involved a stay in hospital but he is now recovering well.
- d) Gill said that she had requested a ladies friendly match be organised and Eddie confirmed that this was in hand.

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### **8. Asset Co-ordinator Tony Woollard**

- a) The work on the renovations is proceeding as planned.
- b) The new lights have been ordered and the old lights will be removed next week to allow the ceiling to be painted.
- c) The new front door and canopy have been installed but some minor items remain outstanding including the key fob switch and the Maglock. Tony is in contact with the alarm people and they are looking at the problem.
- d) Dales are coming next week to stretch the indoor carpet and repair the edge where the carpet has become loose.
- e) Tony has negotiated a Trade price for the two fans and controls that are required for the Indoor Rink to comply with the Covid Guidelines. Tony was instructed to place the fans on order as soon as possible.
- f) The new flooring has been delivered.
- g) Ernie Windsor has agreed to test the alarms as and when necessary.

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### **Outdoor Green**

There are no currently no problems with the green and it is playing extremely well. Moss had appeared in places but this was dealt with immediately.

### **9. Functions Co-ordinator Steve Lovell**

- a) The main works to the Clubroom are now almost complete. The decorating and lighting will start in the next few days and when all this is complete Derek and myself will lay the new flooring.
- b) We have had a few people asking if we will be open for Bingo as a few other clubs around Wellington are holding events. We have said no to this request. The Committee agreed.
- c) Alan May has asked what will happen about the acts we have booked for the new year I have told him to leave them at the moment we cannot cancel as we do not know what will be happening as yet. This to be reviewed monthly.
- d) I was hoping to have sold the wheel back chairs but unfortunately the lady who wanted them didn't realise we were Wellington Somerset. She thought we were in Shropshire so that fell through. I am making other enquiries to see if anyone would like them.
- e) On Tuesday of this week we had an incident out on the green. Dennis Fullstone decided to wander down and have a roll up on his own. Unfortunately, Dennis collapsed on the green and an ambulance had to be called. Steve and Carol Horrill were playing on another rink and they looked after Dennis until the ambulance arrived. They also rang Steve to come down to get the Defibrillator as they could not get to it. I suggest that we

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temporarily consider putting it on the other side of the door near the green until outside play has finished. The committee agreed that this should be done as soon as possible. Thanks to Steve and Carol who looked after Dennis the whole time.

### **10. Matters Requiring Attention**

- a) It was decided that the Outside Green is to be closed on Saturday 3rd October and a short Closing ceremony held to mark the occasion.
- b) The existing contracts for our energy suppliers (Gas and Electric) are due to finish soon and we need to negotiate new contracts. Henry agreed to do this.
- c) As discussed at the last meeting the china pottery that is now surplus to requirements has been donated to Wellington House.
- d) We still need to appoint a Safeguarding Officer.

### **11. Any other Business**

#### **a) Changes to the Constitution - Constitution**

Henry told the meeting that Jay had trawled through the whole Constitution and come up with suggestions for various deletions, revisions and additions. A copy has been sent to all Exec. Committee members and they have been asked to read and make any further suggestions for consideration to Henry. The modified version when complete will have to be considered, approved and ratified at the AGM.

**b) AGM** - It was agreed that the next AGM will be delayed until March 2021.

**c) A letter** is to be sent to all members with the Renewal of Membership forms asking for member's permission to include their mobile phone numbers on the Bowlr system.

**d) Indoor Season and Membership** - It was decided that we should make every effort to open the Indoor Rink at the beginning of November. We should allow for triples games each lasting one and a half hours at a cost of £1.50 per individual. The Indoor Membership to be extended to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at no charge. Starting and finishing times to be agreed at a later meeting. No spectators allowed. Players to arrive no more than ten minutes before their start time and leave the building no more than ten minutes after the finishing time of each game. Access to be agreed.

Other rules to be decided before the facility is opened and distributed to all Indoor members. These to accord with current Government Guidance.

We should send out a slip to all members asking which activities, if any, they would like to participate in in the Indoor rink this coming winter i.e. roll ups, leagues or competitions.

**e) Indoor Secretary** - two members to be appointed to organise Indoor Leagues, Roll Ups and Competitions.

**f) Clubhouse alterations** - It was agreed that before the furniture is ordered we should purchase a sample chair so that we can assess the quality and suitability for our purpose.

**g) Health and Safety Review** - in progress will be done soon.

#### **12. Applications for Membership** - No applications this month.

The meeting closed at 11.35am

**Date of Next meeting:** Friday 9th October 2020 at 09.30am

Signed: .....Janet Moore (Chair)

Date: .....2020.

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