

Haughley Playing Field Bowls Club

Minutes of committee meeting held on Thursday 23rd September 2021

Present: B,Mayhew, Gr. Nunn, P.Mead, R.Fosker, C.Mayhew, T.Nicholas, D.James, I.Bonnett, J.Gill, D.Ribbans, J.Hawkins, M.Ormes, T.Offord.

Apologies: D.Walker, G.Walker, B.Norman, J.Leith, Gl.Nunn

Minutes of last meeting:

Club competitions: Gl.Nunn had obtained a cup for the Bowls England singles competition and the committee agreed that he could get this engraved

ACTION Gl.Nunn

Bowls England shirt: There was still an outstanding invoice to pay for one shirt. B.Mayhew said he would sort this out by suggesting we only pay the cost of the originals and to tell the supplier we would not ask for names to be printed.

ACTION B.Mayhew

Security System: R.Fosker agreed to enquire re the various systems available. P.Mead pointed out that we had received grants to cover the expected cost.

ACTION R.Fosker

Sheringham Trip: P.Mead reported that he had arranged this game for Saturday 30th July 2022.

Race Night: This was still outstanding and would hopefully go ahead next year.

ACTION C.Mayhew

Gazebo Heaters: P.Mead said he would talk to Carl Riches about thes

ACTION P.Mead

Assembly post: P.Mead said he would raise this at the next Playing Field meeting.

ACTION P.Mead

Annual General Meeting: The committee agreed to change the date to Sunday 10th October due to the Car park being out of use.

Grounds Committee Report: M.Ormes said that the work on the green and surrounds was ongoing and the top dressing would be added this week.

New Spiker: J.Gill was given permission by the committee to purchase a new spiker for the Club at a price of £8600.

ACTION J.Gill

Irrigation System: B.Mayhew gave a brief outline of a new irrigation system he felt the Club should look at. The price would be around £10,000 but we could install it ourselves at half the cost. I.Bonnett said we should find another quote. It was felt that perhaps we should look at this with a view of completing it next season

ACTION B.Mayhew/J.Gill

Weeds on outside path: P.Mead was asked to raise this at the next Playing Field Meeting.

ACTION P.Mead

Presentation Evening: C.Mayhew asked if we could go ahead and arrange this and a date of Saturday 13th November was agreed. P.Mead said he would book the room.

ACTION C.Mayhew/P.Mead

Senior Cup/Junior Cup: R.Fosker asked if we could enter the Junior Cup next season as we won the Senior Cup this year. P.Mead said he would ask K.Brown-Warr if this was the case.

ACTION P.Mead

New Storage Area: B.Mayhew told the committee that new plans had been submitted and we were still awaiting confirmation as to when we could start.

New Waste Area: B.Mayhew told the committee that it was hoped that Bloors would let us purchase/give us the container and this would be placed behind the gazebo to store all the outside furniture and gardening equipment during the winter months. Also the gate would be fitted during the winter.

ACTION B. Mayhew

Bowls England Affiliation Fees: B.Mayhew said that both himself and P,Mead would be attending a meeting to discuss the proposal that all members should have to pay the affiliation fee. It was agreed by the committee that they should strongly oppose this suggestion. He also stated that if we agreed to play Bowls

England next season there was a possibility that we could be asked to play in the West Suffolk League. This again was opposed by the committee.

Proposed changes to Pavilion: The Parish Council have been leading this project and so far they have met with some architects to find out their ideas. We have not been approached for our thoughts yet.

Secretary post: T.Offord has stepped down for next season and after discussion it was agreed to appoint a fixture and membership secretary as well as a general secretary. Gl. Nunn agreed for his name to go forward as fixture Secretary and P.Mead said the same for Membership secretary. The post of general secretary was left open for the AGM to discuss,

Nominations for Officers and Captains: All positions have a proposed name to put to the AGM. However any member who would like to be considered for any position within the Club for next season should contact B.Mayhew. P.Mead was asked to circulate these names on the AGM Agenda,

ACTION P.Mead

Fees for next season: P.Mead said that he would propose at the AGM that the fees for Membership and rink fees should remain the same.

Entry to Leagues and Cups: It was agreed to propose that we should enter either the Bullen or Marie Curie Cup next season as well as the leagues and cups we played in this year.