

Minutes of Board meeting held at Bull Bay Golf Club

Tuesday 27th August 2024 at 18:00

Attending: - Jon Bingham (JB), David Proud (DP), Nicky MacKenzie (NM), Richard O Jones (ROJ), Steve Bebbington (SB)

Absent : - James Trew (JT)

1. Resignation

Having been recently notified by James Trew in writing, the Board have accepted his resignation from the Board of Directors with effect from 27th August under clause 6.4g of the Articles of Association ratified by the membership in May 2024. The Board wishes to place on record its heartfelt thanks to James for his significant contribution during his time on the previous executive committees and more recently the newly formed Board.

2. Appointment

Following the resignation of JT, Richard O Jones was appointed to the Board in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Club. Richard has been involved with the executive committee previously and brings experience to the Board through his knowledge in aspects of Health and Safety and Grant processes. A warm welcome is extended to him.

3. Energy saving, wind and solar project

Excellent progress has been made to date in meeting the requirements in the grant application process and where the Club is now working on completing Stage 2. As a result of the voluntary preparation of the energy survey report by a member of the Club, and which is deemed by the grantor to be fit for purpose, tenders are now being obtained from a total of 7 entities with a view to submission in due course. Whilst Sport Wales have been very supportive to date, other grant opportunities also exist for additional funding if required.

4. Dogs

This matter was minuted at the recent board meeting of 30th July 2024 and followed up with BRS to the membership. No further action proposed at this stage.

5. Shell Rhosgoch

The Directors have received correspondence from Shell relating to the proposed decommissioning of the pipe which runs across the course and particularly the area to the side of the 11th green close to the Burwen Road. Whilst Shell hope to undertake the work towards the end of this year it is initially proposed to hold a site meeting to fully ascertain the proposed work, actions and implications. The Board would welcome any input in the meantime from members who have groundwork experience to assist with this.

6. Course rating

Given the ongoing feedback in respect of our revised slope rating the Club has expressed its desire to appeal to Wales Golf. It is also understood that there are also now other clubs in North Wales who, having also been

re-rated, have taken a similar course of action.

7. Welsh Seniors Open

BBGC have been invited to host the 2025 Welsh Seniors Open. The event will take place 23 - 26 June 2025 and where the course will be closed to members during this period. Following on from the recent Youth event held at the Club it is acknowledged that significant planning will be required as well as volunteers from the membership. Further updates to follow in this regard. In the interim courtesy of other courses will be sought for the duration of this event.

8. Open week

Whilst the weather wasn't ideal during the recent Open week it was felt that attendance was largely at a reasonable level, especially the Texas Scramble at the end of the week. Outputs are awaited in respect of the financial benefits to the Club and which will be produced shortly

9. Directors and Officers Insurance

Having explored the Clubs existing arrangements it is acknowledged that they are currently in place albeit not at a level to meet Director needs. This is to be investigated further.

10. Health and Safety Review

The outputs from the recent H&S review have now been received and have initially been picked up by ROJ. no serious shortcomings have been identified at this stage administrative matters are being addressed. It is noted that a fire drill will require to be undertaken in the near future as will a review of the appropriate training for new members of staff.

11. Grant monies

The application for funding to assist with the cost of setting up the driving range and chipping area was approved in May 2024. Given that all invoices have now been received and paid the Directors have made the necessary claim to recover the Grant monies for these projects and which are anticipated very shortly.

12. Halfway House

Our Pro-Am sponsor, Anglesey Mining, committed in 2023 to provide additional sponsorship funding to assist with the construction of the halfway house at the back of the 10th green. The directors are grateful to ROJ, Simon Howden and John Jones for their time and commitment in building this structure. Whilst the building still requires to be painted all the work has been completed within the constraints of the funds allocated. There has been a suggestion that a toilet facility close by would make sense and this is currently being looked into.

13. Shop and bar winter hours

A meeting has been held between Finance and Chair of House to review the Clubs proposed opening hours during the winter months. It is anticipated that the revised hours will be introduced from Monday 14th October 2024. As soon as the revised hours are finalised and confirmed they will be communicated to the membership. As was the case last winter we are keen to manage costs here and where to an extent, hours will also be flexed when demand dictates.

14. Fabric committee

Minutes from the recent FC meeting were circulated and where it is noted that a significant amount of work is ongoing. The Board acknowledged the contribution made to date.

15. Greens

NM to pick up with COG in relation to provision of updated contracts and job descriptions. Further detail to be provided at next Board meeting

16. Green fees

Subject not discussed and to be raised again at next Board meeting

No further matters raised.

Meeting closed at 19.40

Date of next meeting to be confirmed