

Coolhurst GMC Meeting

Held on Zoom 25 June, 2020 at 4.30 pm

Present Martin Zinkin, Michael O'Callaghan, Stephen Nardelli (Chair), Nigel Hutchings, Charlie Logan, Peter Hilton.

1. Apologies Paul Adderley, Martin Hearn, Bob Taylor, Tzvetelina Dimitrova

Bob Taylor, Martin Hearn and Charlie Logan had circulated reports before the meeting.

2. Finance and cash flow

BT had submitted a report. Tennis income is over £200k. Tennis income is roughly identical to this time last year.

SN: Simply incredible. To make decisions we need a projection for the next 3 to 6 months. I note MZ has asked for it too. I plan to meet Bob to ask for this.

PH: Bob will need some assumptions.

MZ: Yes, we'll need some agreed assumptions.

CL: We can only do Q3 because we don't know Sept to Dec.

We'd assume limited squash and limited summer camp. If the Clubhouse can wash its face it would be a miracle.

SN: We've allocated money from CCTV and tennis maintenance – c. £27k. This should be shown in a projected cash balance. Same applies if there are projected repayments, as has been referred to by the tennis sec.

3. Operations and possibly opening the clubhouse

NB GM is back from furlough on 6th July.

PH believes someone on furlough can come back early without forfeiting furlough payment.

Are we offering drinks from 4th July?

MOC will ask Pambos if it is true we can bring back people early without losing payment.

(Memo: since the meeting PH clarified this with Pambos. We cannot bring anyone back in less than the three week minimum furlough period)

Should we be bringing staff back part time?

CL: so we'd be aiming to bring Sarah back early if there are no furlough payments forgone. Otherwise, she'd be back by July 6th. We would ask GM for a plan on how to open, e.g. maybe to serve good and drink outside.

PH: What is the level of visitor court fee income? MZ: c £2.5k/week.

MZ: we are enforcing the visitor policy and getting more of them. This could be 20% of usage. The tennis committee will decide who to handle.

PH: Has this been some people who have suspended their membership?

MZ Yes. Also there are more parents of juniors playing.

There is junior membership and parent-of-junior membership.

On any day the courts are 90% full.MZ we are approaching full.

MOC It is clear the tennis committee has a strong grip on the situation. is a 7 am start worth considering to get more capacity - it's something the Club has previously allowed? MZ might be something SL could consider when she's back – depending on whether she can get the Club open at 7am.

The meeting noted that the use of the booking system for tennis courts, which has been introduced during lockdown, is working very well.

4. Members lockers near the exercise studio

SN: I'd like to put them up. The meeting agreed.

The Table Tennis booking is free for outside. Noted that the Club does not accept liability for the contents.

NBH it looks like the lockers were damaged by having a large number of glasses stored on them. When the locks fell down, the glasses fell off but luckily landed on cushions and so were not broken.

5. Haringey.

MOC gave an update on Haringey's request for support for a tennis programme over a number of weeks starting in the last week of July. MOC has told Haringey we will participate. The details will be followed up by Anthony/Club management.

6. CCTV

The GMC was asked by email whether it was in favour of the current CCTV proposal. There had been little response.

MOC thought the benefits had not been completely explained – MZ explained them: IP gives us future proofing. If we are going to do it, this is a good option. We could patch up our current system and reuse the existing cameras for perhaps £4k.

All present agreed. The proposal had previously been approved by Tzvetelina and Martin Hearn. This proposal was therefore agreed. MZ will follow up with the CCTV supplier.

7. Opening the Clubhouse

This was dealt with under operations above – GM will be asked for a proposal. PH: members would appreciate the Clubhouse being used in some way.

NBH: A lot of stock had to be ditched. I am happy to look at the beer stocks.

8. Padel

SN: Do we want to consider Padel courts? There are four of these at David Lloyd in Bushey. NBH there are courts at Hazelwood. It's usage is roughly half tennis and half squash players.

SN there appears to be interest, I will get more information.

9. AOB

Noted that David Smart's funeral is tomorrow.

NBH there will be stewards to organise the people there at the send off event at Dave's house in Crouch End. Vinney is organising a memorial bench. SN: there will be a memorial day when we are open.

NBH The Coolhurst flag will be flown at half mast tomorrow.

9. Next Meeting

Next meeting Thursday 2nd July 4.30

The meeting ended at 19.02 pm.