

Minutes of Coolhurst GMC Meeting

Held on zoom Monday 17 September, 2020 at 16.30.

Present: Michael O'Callaghan, Sarah Luther, Stephen Nardelli, Martin Zinkin, Tzvetelina Dimitrova, Nigel Hutchings.

1. Apologies

Paul Adderley, Martin Hearn, Bob Taylor, Charlie Logan, Peter Hilton.

2. GM update

Tennis and squash programmes started this week, rebranded, Tennis and Squash Adventures. We've had £64k in vs £56k this time last year for the tennis programme. There 368 children signed up for tennis. This is 80% capacity vs 75% last year. We have 22 children signed up for squash coaching.

We have the Clubhouse set up. Working well. The squash balcony now has 28 seating places.

Gym has reopened. It seems to be working well. The booking system for the gym is operating effectively. Two windows have been installed in the gym.

Maintenance – as a result of feedback SL now in favour of keeping the grass outside the Clubhouse. This will be re-seeded. There will be something put in place that protects the roots.

SN: we will be looking at ways of introducing eco projects.

(SL is still on 50% furlough).

SL: Tennis works are progressing. The top courts are now open again. Next week work takes place on court 5. The lines on court 5 will be last. This will suffice until we decide what to do, next year.

Kitchen: They need revenue of £1,200 pw. We are currently at around £500. This is difficult. Already Sunday services has been scaled back.

I have been approached by another filming company – because the council has insisted they must have parking spaces off the road. We are offering 10 spaces for 9 days. Fee will be £1,000 to the Club. They may want to use one of the changing rooms as make-up/dressing.

Feedback on the gym has been good. Fee is only £16 pw for members. We will be using two personal trainers only.

The bar has been busy with hot weather. We were still doing better than before covid. Our costs for bar staff are £900 pw, on £2k revenue we make £1k gross margin.

MH is projecting £250k tennis subs for end this year. Squash last year was c. £90k

3. Squash

SL: Charlie has kicked off various squash activities e.g. renewals and leagues We'll have to see how renewals will be.

Paul Harris is leading on setting up leagues. Adrian and Neil are stepping down, though Adrian is advising still.

4. Tennis

MZ: Some maintenance has been delayed because of access issues.

On teams side some changes have been made to encourage wider membership of teams. A review is being done on rules of allowing visitors. TS: Are we introducing 9pm – 10 pm booking slot? MZ: We'll consider extending when the Clubhouse opens until 10. SL: From 1st October the Clubhouse will shut at 10.30

(Notetaker's memo: since this the meeting the Government announced a rule requiring bars to close at 10pm).

5. AOB

SN: Zubir (Cumberland squash coach) – asked if Coolhurst would like to run the squash London Open. This is something the Club could consider.

SN said he would be pushing hard to progress grant and development matters in the coming weeks.

6. Next meeting

4.30 pm Thursday October 1st.

Meeting ended 17.05