

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of Coolhurst Lawn Tennis and Squash Rackets Club held on 9 May 2022 at 19.00

**Chairman's welcome**

The Chairman, Steve Nardelli, opened the meeting and welcomed both those present in person and those joining remotely. This, as he pointed out, was the first in person general meeting that it had been possible to hold since the national lockdown. He recalled that the club had survived the lockdown successfully and thanked all club members for their support. The GMC would now be looking forward to further developing the club's facilities.

Club secretary Walter Merricks explained that the agenda papers for the meeting were on the club's website. Agenda items would be presented for discussion at the meeting, but voting on motions and in the election would be online. Voting had already opened and would close at 10.00am the following day.

**That the Minutes of the previous meeting be approved**

The Minutes of the previous AGM held on 24 May 2021 were approved by those present.

**That the accounts for the year ending 31 December 2021 be received**

The Treasurer presented the accounts for the year ending 31 December 2021 that were on the club's website. They showed a very healthy financial position. A member commented that our healthy financial position was in good part thanks to the government's furlough scheme, although this was disputed by others.

**That Messrs Collards be re-appointed as auditors for the coming year**

Messrs Collards were reappointed for the coming year.

**That the tennis subscriptions for the year be approved**

In thanking members of the tennis committee, the tennis secretary Jonathan Stephens, noted that the programme of resurfacing of courts 5, 6, 7 and 8, and also 12, 13 and 14 had been successfully completed, a project that had been overseen by Adam de Winter. He also took the opportunity to thank his predecessor as tennis secretary, Martin Hearn, who had done so much for the club over many years. Subscription levels had remained unchanged and renewals had already taken place.

**That squash subscription levels should be delegated to the GMC**

The squash secretary, Charlie Logan, reported that membership had substantially although not fully recovered after lockdown. The emphasis in the coming year would be to increase court utilisation which had not recovered as much. He thanked his squash committee colleagues and the many volunteers who supported squash. He anticipated that there would be a small increase in subscriptions in October. A question was raised about access to Court 7 for table-tennis.

**Report of the Club secretary**

Club secretary Walter Merricks reported that the GMC had met 15 times during the course of the year. He also mentioned that the GMC intended to propose a modernised revision of the club's constitution on which members would be consulted.

## Elections

All the GMC members apart from the Treasurer had been re-elected unopposed.

Chairman: Steve Nardelli

Club Secretary: Walter Merricks

Tennis Secretary: Jonathan Stephens

Tennis members: Martin Zinkin, Tsevelina Dimitrova

Squash Secretary: Charles Logan

Squash members: Peter Hilton, James Wilson

Bar Secretary: Adam de Winter.

Those standing for Treasurer, Barry Knight and Bob Taylor gave speeches and responded to questions.

In discussion members raised other issues concerning potential improvements to the club and its facilities.

The meeting concluded at 20.10.

## Voting results

Thanks are due to Pamos Patsalides who had accepted appointment as election adjudicator, and who approved the voting arrangements, carried out certain voter eligibility checks and certified the results.

### 1. Motion to approve the minutes of the previous AGM held on 24 May 2021

Option	Votes	
I vote to approve the minutes	98%	174
I vote against the approval of the minutes	2%	3

### 2. Motion to receive the accounts

Option	Votes	
I vote that the accounts be received	98%	175
I vote that the accounts be not received	2%	4

### 3. Motion to approve the reappointment of Messrs Collards, chartered accountants, as auditors

Option	Votes	
I vote to approve the reappointment of Collards	95%	168
I vote against the reappointment of Collards	5%	9

### 4. Motion to approve the annual tennis subscriptions as proposed

Option	Votes	
I vote to approve the subscriptions as proposed	97%	172
I vote against the approval of the subscriptions as proposed	3%	6

### 5. Motion to delegate approval of the squash subscriptions

<b>Option</b>	<b>Votes</b>	
I vote in favour of the motion	97%	165
I vote against the motion	3%	5

#### 6. Election of Treasurer

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<b>Option</b>	<b>Votes</b>	
I vote for Barry Knight	50%	95
I vote for Bob Taylor	50%	94