



Minutes of Committee of Management Meeting

Skerries Golf Club

22nd October 2024

In Attendance:

Chairman : Austin Gill, Hon. Secretary : Donnacha Neary, Captain : Stan Pyke, Lady Captain : Elaine McGloughlin, Vice-Captain : Michael Weldon, Lady Vice Captain: Deirdre O'Neill, Course Convenor: Miley Plunkett, Health and Safety: Nick Sharkey, Membership Secretary: Geraldine Andrews, Comms Sec: Declan Bowers

Apologies: House Convenor, David O'Reilly.

Item 1 Minutes

- Minutes of meeting 30th September 2024 as circulated were deemed read and approved.
- There were no matters arising.

Item 2 Correspondence

- Brendan Grey has resigned as trustee in period. The COM noted his contribution, Hon. Sec. to write to Brendan to thank him for his 37 of 53 years of service as an officer while being a member.
- On the matter of the Club Bar Licence, this confirmed as renewed for the calendar year. Next renewal due Oct. '25
- Biocycle unit Phase 1 remedial costs approved following enforcement notice served by Fingal Co.Co. Hon. Sec. to authorise and proceed works to advance.
- Matter of resignation of 1 x Course Green Keeper noted. Back filling process has commenced 21st October – role has been advertised on INDEED.com and applications are currently being reviewed.
- Matter of cleaner redundancy, process will reach conclusion 25th October.
- Matter of accident in practice nets noted. New nets ordered and due to be installed by volunteer group on delivery. Practice nets remain closed pending delivery and installation of these new nets.
- Matter of Land Transfer discussed. Legal costs and fees agreed to proceed to advance the Deed of Rectification. Update to be provided at next meeting.
- Matter of upgrade to Club Lotto system by ClubForce to spend €150 on new handheld terminal approved. Hon. Sec. to ensure no current functionality will be lost as part of the upgrade.
- Letter received confirming award of Sports Grant funding. Funds from this Grant noted as being required to be drawn down by 27th September 2026.
- Complaint received from Course Superintendent in relation to conduct of a Lady Member following an on-course altercation 22nd October. Hon. Sec. to write to Lady in question asking her to consider her behaviour and reminding her that Course Staff have right of way at all times.



Item 3 Finance

- No accounts in period due to year end. Accounts are awaited from Auditors.
- A list of capital investment projects for 2025 were discussed based off a circulated list prepared by Hon. Sec. These are a blend of “must-do” projects and “nice to have” projects. Must Do items to be advanced ASAP, nice to have’s require further consideration by CoM.
- Separate meeting to be convened to discuss AGM motions with respect to finance motions and modification to current Levy structures.

Item 4 Membership

- Nett position is +31 on overall membership in year to date Vs previous year.
- 7 people have been blocked due to non-payment of subs.
- 9 x LoA members unpaid to be resigned from system.
- Letter to be sent to a member on a legacy query, Membership Sec. to issue correspondence.

Item 5 Course

- CARR report reviewed and accepted. KPI’s score noted as dropped to 83% following recent hollow coring, but this to be expected and is still higher than comparable courses at present.
- Greens and drainage areas noted to be recovering well following recent works.
- Course Super and Convenor reports reviewed. No matters arising.

Item 6 House / Facilities

- House report reviewed in absence of House Convenor.
- No matters requiring urgent attention, any action items are in hand at present.
- Fire officer report is being addressed and actioned.

Item 7 Communications & Strategy

- No items arising in period – new website noted as advancing in period with comments being received on suggestions / changes.

Item 8 Health and Safety

- 1 x incident reported and resolved in period. No follow up actions required.
- Defib training budget to be carried into 2025 – suggest AVANTA Safety to be engaged for quotation for a registered / approved training course.
- Suggestion for additional signage to be installed on course alerting players to slippery conditions under foot.



Item 9 Clubs

- The matter of playing mats for the winter playing season was discussed. Timing on the introduction of mats noted as early November onwards – actual date TBA.
- Cost of supply for new mats agreed @ €7.50 for members.
- Local rule for lost balls in fallen leaves to be reviewed by Mens / Ladies Committees.

Item 10 Legal

- Land Transfer advancing

Item 11 Miscellaneous

- AGM dates to be finally agreed and communicated to members. Separate meeting to be convened in the coming week to review action items and general preparations.
- It was agreed to co-opt Gareth Dunphy onto CoM to deliver narrative on End of Year financials at the AGM.
- Bar costs were sent back to caterer for re-review in period – currently awaiting response.
- Call for available positions on CoM was issued to members. No applications received in period.
- Discussion held on the new iGolf initiative. Scheme noted as now being live with some teething issues anecdotally reported.
- Memorial service for 50 deceased members noted as being scheduled for 7pm on 22nd November. Members are being notified via. The weekly update newsletter. Letters to deceased members families will be issued where available. Caterer to be notified and finger food to be laid on.
- Date to be scheduled with Club Pro for his annual performance review.
- Chairman thanked the Lady Captain for her efforts in organising Lunar Golf.
- Hon. Sec. to write to Irish Rail to have access bridge be removed.

Item 12 AOB

N/A

The next meeting is scheduled for 19th November 2024 at 7pm.

Signed _____ Date 19 November 2024

Austin Gill
Chairman