

Minutes of the CGLMC Ltd Meeting held in the Greenkeeping Sheds on Monday 13th April 2015

Present: P Sawers (Chairman), W Thompson, G Murray, L Gordon, G Paton, C Yule, J Gilbert, R Gillespie, J McLeish, A McKeown, A McArtney, H Oswald

In Attendance: G Duncan (General Manager), C McLeod (Golf Services Manager)

Meeting began at 1900 hours.

1. Apologies

W Bowles, I Frier, A McColgan

2. Any Additional Agenda Items

P Sawers said she would give an update on the Scottish Boys Championship.

3. Declarations of Interest

There were none.

4. Scottish Boys Championship Update

P Sawers said she attended the Scottish Boys Championship at Dunbar on Saturday. She offered her congratulations to Will Porter who she said played outstandingly well in very difficult conditions. She said that the boys from Carnoustie mixed very well together and it was great to see their team spirit. She commended Fraser Mann for the positive work done with the Junior programme.

5. Major Projects Business

a) Approval of Minutes of the Major Projects Meeting of Wednesday 25th March 2015

Approved: A McKeown

Seconded: G Murray

b) Matters Arising Therefrom

There were no matters arising.

c) Presentation by P Sawers

P Sawers gave a presentation to the Trustees on proposals for the future development of the organisation.

Following the presentation a lengthy discussion took place.

The Trustees agreed that:-

i) Discussions should take place with Angus Council with regard to Landlords consent and planning.

ii) An engagement strategy should be developed for communication with all interested parties.

It was agreed that detailed plans and feasibility study would be required if the project was moved to the next level. It was further agreed that professional assistance would be required due to the scale of the project.

6. Approval of Minutes of the CGLMC Ltd Meeting of Monday 2nd March 2015

Approved: W Thompson

Seconded: G Murray

a) Matters Arising Therefrom

There were no matters arising.

7. Greens Business

a) Approval of Minutes of Greens Meeting of Monday 9th March 2015

Approved: W Thompson

Seconded: A McArtney

b) Matters Arising Therefrom

There were no matters arising.

8. Finance Business

G Murray said there would be a meeting on 27th April 2015.

9. Pro Shop Business

There was none.

10. Tournament Business

A McArtney said the Elite Girls Tournament had been held over the Burnside and Buddon Links again this year. The event had been very successful although the weather conditions were very poor.

P Sawers said that the SLGA were very grateful to Carnoustie for hosting the event.

11. PR Business

a) Approval of Minutes of the PR Meeting of Monday 30th March 2015

Approved: J Gilbert

Seconded: P Sawers

b) Matters Arising Therefrom

British Amateur Press Release

L Gordon said that Phil Craghill from GMS had produced a press release which had been distributed to the golfing media and local press.

John Imlay Funeral

G Murray said that he had attended the funeral on behalf of CGLMC Ltd and this had been very much appreciated by Mrs Imlay and close family members. W Thompson suggested that we engage with Mr Imlay's family regarding a permanent memorial at a later date.

Tom Watson Anniversary

L Gordon said that discussions had taken place at the PR meeting regarding how to mark the 40th anniversary of Tom Watson's Open Championship win at Carnoustie.

Following further discussions the Trustees agreed to:-

i) Commission a special series of pin flags to be flown on all 18 holes for the month of July (Curved design agreed).

ii) Souvenir pin flags with the same design would be available for sale in the Pro Shop.

ii) Wording for a suitable commemorative plaque would be produced and submitted to the Trustees for approval.

(All of the above would be subject to permission from Mr Watson's management company).

Induction Pack for Trustees

W Thompson asked whether an induction pack was given to new Trustees.
G Duncan said that there was an induction pack but this will be reviewed now that we're a charity.

12. Season Ticket Business

J McLeish asked that a reminder letter be sent to the suspended season ticket holder to advise him of the date that his suspension would end.
G Duncan said that this was diarised and would be done.

13. Environmental Business

There was none.

14. Charitable Applications Business

a) Approval of Minutes of the Charitable Applications Meeting of Monday 16th March 2015

Approved: W Thompson

Seconded: P Sawers

b) Matters Arising Therefrom

Application Form

The Trustees agreed that:-

- i) The application form, as distributed to the Trustees, be approved for use.

Funding

After discussion, the Trustees agreed:-

- i) A minimum of £30,000 per annum be set aside for charitable donations.

It was further agreed that the Finance sub-committee would alert the Charitable Applications sub-committee if for any reason this minimum payment was not viable.

15. General Manager's Report

External Work at the Golf Centre

G Duncan said that the works were almost complete but some snagging work is still required.

VC Commemorative Stone

G Duncan said that the ceremony would take place on the 25th April and that invitations would be sent to all the Trustees.

Golf Centre Coffee Shop

G Duncan reported that an agreement had been reached with a local businessman to operate the Coffee Shop for the forthcoming season. It has been agreed that this season will be a trial with a view to agreeing a more formal agreement at the end of the season.

R&A Venues Conference

G Duncan said that he and P Sawers along with A Reid and C Boath attended the Open Championship Venues Conference at St Andrews in March. P Sawers said that the main focus had been on greenkeeping particularly on the sustainability of golf courses. She also said there had been a significant presentation on media and social media.

16. Golf Services Manager's Report

Carnoustie Media Jug

The Media Jug was a very successful event with all the main golfing publications represented. C McLeod paid tribute to the Carnoustie Golf Hotel for their contribution and excellent service they provided at the event.

Season Tickets

C McLeod reported on the season ticket movement so far this year. The upgrade to 2 course tickets has been very successful with hardly any members opting out.

17. Companies House Matters

There were none.

18. Health and Safety

There were no matters to report.

There being no other business, the meeting was then closed at 2025 hours.

