

Elmwood LTC Committee Meeting Minutes

Date 8th February held remotely due to Covid-19

Present: Hak (HK), Faraz (FS), Rosette (RW), Jackie (JS), Richard (RO), Jean (JC), Rocky (DH)

Apologies: Mindy (MB) Matt (MM) Flavia (FB), Dirk (DL), Valerie (VF),

	ITEM	ACTION
1	Previous minutes previously circulated were approved.	
2	Matters arising from previous minutes: None	
3	<p>Safeguarding: Jackie reported that she had attended the Middlesex Tennis Venue Forum which was really good. Judith Loffhagen, County Safeguarding Officer presented and take-home message was that safeguarding is everyone's business. Judith talked about hazing as something that we should all be aware of. Jackie asked all present to familiarise themselves with this, it was a new term to Jackie too. Hazing can have very serious consequences and awareness is important. If anyone observes something that makes them feel uncomfortable they shouldn't ignore it. Parents can hand it over to the welfare officer or the coach or to LTA.</p>	ALL
4	<p>Coaches Reports Request from Flavia to replace 2 mini tennis nets was approved. Faraz reported he was up to date on his coaching courses and was doing extra ones too. Windbreak for court 6 will be put up. Faraz continues to run busy adult groups as well as private lessons for all ages.</p>	
5	<p>Clubhouse Update Meeting took place on 3/2/22 with attendees Sava/Ana/Dirk/Rocky. Discussed current design. Rocky confirmed that Ana and Sava have offered to project manage the new build which incorporates the existing clubhouse for a fixed fee of £2400. The proposal and breakdown were accepted by all as very agreeable and competitive. Rocky will relay this to Ana and Sava and thank them on behalf of the committee for all their input so far. Clubhouse refurbishment. Update on inside painting – next meeting. Men's toilets – urinals to be checked. Boiler – Rosette and Mindy will get quotes for new boiler.</p>	RH VF/MB/RW
6	<p>Committee reports Secretary: <u>MAST UPDATE</u> Email from Waldon received on January 13th had been circulated to committee and trustees. The initial location selected was with the consideration of two operators, O2 and Vodafone, and therefore a larger structure</p>	JS

<p>requiring more space was a key factor in the design and location. However, since carrying out the survey, the requirement has been changed to O2 only, and therefore a smaller site footprint was needed.</p> <p>Waldon therefore would like to see if the design could be improved by looking at other locations within the tennis club, namely along the boundary of All Souls Avenue to the west of the grounds, where the proposal may benefit from more visual screening.</p> <p>This new request for access for a new site survey for a new site location was unanimously rejected. Jackie will respond to Waldon.</p> <p><u>Middlesex Venue Forum:</u> Highlights and opportunities.</p> <p>Middlesex have appointed U-coach for coach training to centralise training as had realised the distance to venues offering this was a limiting factor and this would increase access and opportunities within Middlesex.</p> <p><u>Keeping Teenagers Interested and Involved.</u></p> <p>The Teddington coach Antony Mills shared his ideas and experiences for keeping the younger players involved. One of them which has proved successful is running a cup for the under 30s Vs over 30s. He said it started small but has proven too be really popular and those who have gone off to Uni come back to take part. They make a day of it and invite parents families etc.</p> <p>Jackie will follow up.</p> <p><u>Summer League – new format trial for 2022.</u></p> <p>Sangeeta went over the trial format changes.</p> <p>Scoring format.</p> <p>Tie break set (no more draws)</p> <p>6-6 draws do not count for World Tennis Number / Towards Statistics and some clubs use these stats when choosing their teams.</p> <p>If the score reaches deuce in any game a deciding point will be played.</p> <p>It is a trial for 2022 and aim was to give more flexibility to teams to help them play more meaningful matches.</p> <p>Distance to travel - can be huge variation in different divisions which can be prohibitive when recruiting team players so there are more options for start times now. Also takes into account some clubs have different local restrictions for floodlight times.</p> <p>Start times can be: 630 /645/700PM</p> <p>Future Venue Forums: offered Elmwood as host Venue</p> <p>Men’s Captain:</p> <p>Winter league progressing well. Jean working on the summer fixtures list with Valerie and should have these by the end of the week,</p> <p>Women’s Captain/ Vets Captain Liaison</p> <p>Faraz/Flavia/ Valerie and Louisa liaising to recruit and encourage team players.</p> <p>Membership Report</p>	<p>JS</p>
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	<p>Membership stands at 753 members and £69,165 membership fees. A few OP members joined this month. The Waiting List stands at 282 entries (representing 395 adults). Some people have withdrawn & others have joined) The Waiting List increased by 9 entries (12 Adults) since 11-Jan-21. It's interesting how local these enquiries are. Only 243 have given a postcode, but of those</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● 18 live <= 0.1 mile i.e. virtually opposite ● 118 live <= 0.5 mile ● 185 live <= 1.0 mile <p>Proposed fee structure for 2022/23 The proposed fee structure and the introduction of the stripe payment system were agreed. Hak will do the work to set this up a new account for memberships and the team will work together to send out renewals by March 4th. Opted-In Advantage/BTM The deadline was 4-Feb-22 and 134 Elmwood members have opted in. What this means for chances of getting a ticket no one knows</p> <p>Treasurer: Hak arranged a tree survey and went over the quotes for tree crowning pruning and hedge trimming. Good news - the tree with the surround benching was confirmed to be alive after all. It was agreed to go ahead with the tree crowning whilst other options for hedges could be considered. Louisa has been inspired by the laid hedges in Hyde Park and it was agreed to get more information on this option as it could be more secure as less gaps for intruders. JS said will also ask member who works with City of London Parks.</p> <p>Social Secretary Laura's Music event confirmed 25 Feb'22(email to go out to Members) Oliver's half term tennis camp agreed 14-18 Feb'22(Email sent to members) Clubhouse hire inquiries are being processed and actioned</p> <p>Bar Steward – Bar still quiet</p> <p>Grounds Liaison Thanks to Richard's email requesting gardening help, there have been 5 responses and these are being followed up. Also contacted local tree surgeon for quotes for tree crowning and hedge trimming.</p> <p>Coach Liaison – nothing to report</p> <p>Junior Parent Liaison – next meeting</p>	LB/JS
7	<p>AOB Ladies plate in March – next meeting when Valerie & Flavia are in attendance. Exterior painting of the clubhouse – Rosette & Jackie will do a shout out for volunteer helpers to do this in Spring. A few members have already offered support. Cover the benches inside clubhouse – next meeting Valerie to update.</p>	<p>FB/VF</p> <p>JS/RW</p> <p>VF</p>

	NEXT MEETING TUESDAY MARCH 8TH MARCH 7.30PM	
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