

Elmwood LTC Committee Meeting Minutes

Date 9th November held remotely due to Covid-19

Present: Hak (HK), Flavia (FB), Faraz (FS), Dirk (DL), Rosette (RW), Jackie (JS), Richard, Mindy (MB) Valerie (VF), Jean (JC),

Apologies: Rocky (DH) Matt (MM)

	ITEM	ACTION
1	Previous minutes previously circulated were approved.	
2	Matters arising from previous minutes: Baby changing unit purchase approved. The wall mounted option will be installed in the Ladies changing room by Mindy.	MB
3	Safeguarding Link to the video to committee has been recirculated almost received acknowledgement from complete committee. Suggested we recruit an additional welfare officer volunteer to support the large almost doubled membership.	JS
4	Coaches Tokens Club will no longer provide tokens for group coaching as this was originally done as a temporary measure to increase attendance to previously poorly attended group sessions. Coaches confirmed that group sessions are now very well attended. Club will now provide free floodlights on Friday nights to encourage more social play. This was unanimously agreed by all present. Floodlights will of course continue to be provided for free for team matches. Flavia reported junior coaching going well and that she has approx. 65 juniors now in the programme and that the adult sessions on Friday mornings continue to be popular. Faraz reported the evening week night group sessions that he is running are going well too.	
5	Clubhouse <u>Clubhouse internal refresh project:</u> Valerie will follow up with painter. <u>New Clubhouse Project</u> Dirk has planned a catch-up meeting at the weekend. Highlighted importance of getting some ballpark costings and plans for new clubhouse so that we can we can recruit support to apply for relevant grants and have a target for fundraising.	VF DL

6	<p>Committee reports</p> <p>Secretary: 1st draft AGM notice circulated. Full committee standing for re-election. Preferred date feedback from membership is Friday 26th November 2021 at 8.00pm. Richard will send out invitation to membership this week. Guy has contacted to point out that he has not been elected to membership and although not keen to be an elected member of the committee he is really happy to continue to support the membership secretary. Richard and Guy have done an astounding amount of admin work and communications throughout 2021. Registering over 700 new and old members as well as taking all the enquiries and keeping up with a waiting list. A big thank-you to Guy and Richard. All agreed they need additional support. The AGM notice will ask for support.</p> <p>MAST: Latest communication on behalf of club were circulated to the committee in advance as below: SENT ON BEHALF OF COMMITTEE Date: Sat, Oct 23, 2021 at 4:33 PM Subject: Re: CTIL 150123, TEF 72111 - Heads of Terms and Valuation of proposed Cornerstone and O2 site at Elmwood Lawn Tennis Club To: Peter Maynard <Peter.Maynard@waldontelecom.com> Dear Peter, I would like to clarify that our position remains the same and that as we have previously established you and those you represent have no right to access Elmwood's land. There is unanimous opposition against the mast from the membership community, the trustees and the elected committee. It would be in your interest to consider other locations for a mast given that Elmwood has no intentions of allowing Cornerstone to install telecoms equipment on our land. I trust this is clear as we would not wish to lead you on and in doing so unduly waste your time. Jackie Speechley Club Secretary Elmwood LTC</p> <p>Men's Captain: All four men's teams are engaged in the Middlesex Winter Floodlit competition and are playing their matches as scheduled. The men's and women's captains are coordinating dates in order to avoid clashes.</p> <p>Women's Captain/ Vets Captain Liaison Valerie is captaining team 1 and team 2 and will liaise with Magda, the vets captain and provide VETS updates. We have one VETS team and they are in division 4 currently in position 3.</p> <p>Membership Report Membership stands at 741 members (455 playing adults) and £68,431 membership fees. Total for 2020/21 583 members (339 playing adults) and £57,204 (2019/20 368 members and £38,550).</p> <p>Off-Peak membership has been offered to 1-April-22 to <u>everyone</u> on the Waiting List. 33 Off-Peak Adults and 23 Off-Peak Family have joined or renewed so far, and several have declined. 1 or 2 are still applying, but I think that is the total demand from a 260-waiting list. The Waiting List stands at 261 entries (representing 365 adults). The Waiting List increased by 6 entries (12 Adults) since 11-Oct-21.</p>	<p>JS/RO</p> <p>RW</p>
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	<p>Treasurer: Annual Accounts have been prepared and Hak is arranging a mutually convenient meeting with the auditors so they can check and sign them off Clubspark: Hak researched the Clubspark function for taking on line membership via the clubspark software. The costing would be £2,800 and as our existing payment BACS works very well it was agreed no need to change.</p> <p>Social Secretary: Halloween event was a great success and generated a good income for the club following a long pandemic situation. It was one of the first Elmwood event and a huge thanks go to all the volunteers who made it possible to make it a success. The feedback from all the people who attended was very positive and they said it was the best Halloween event by Elmwood. Rocky extended his personal thanks to everyone involved.</p> <p>Bar Steward: Mindy is back and will be opening the bar on Fridays at 7.00pm. Louisa will re-circulate names of those who offered to help with the bar. RD, Hak and Rocky will still help. In the meantime all support, even helping with collecting glasses and bottles, is welcome.</p> <p>Grounds Liaison Rosette will bring donated Honey to the AGM and will follow up tree report. Only 3 people came to collect cherry trees. Rosette requested we all encourage players to sweep up and gather leaves on the courts which can then be put in the green bin.</p> <p>Junior Parent Liaison: Dirk ordered and received 3 scoreboards which he will install shortly. Dirk also conducted research into umpire chairs. All agreed we would only need two and that as they are not needed until next year we can wait and see if any come up in the sales.</p>	
7	<p>AOB FLOODLIGHT FRIDAYS Temporary introduction of floodlights agreed for Friday social doubles play to encourage more players, especially new members, who will be encouraged to join in the weekend social sessions which are currently very poorly attended. A new member who works in PR has offered to help get a buzz around social tennis as well as help with ideas for more clubhouse social events. Jackie will put her in touch with Hak re social media support and Rocky as social secretary.</p> <p>Oak Tree Security Light This has been left on a few times Hak switched it off this afternoon at 2:50pm and has let Louisa know where the switch is in case any neighbours complain</p> <p>DEFIBRILLATOR Suggestion was that the defibrillator be installed next to the first aid box in the club house. Mindy will meet up with Rosette to help with this.</p> <p>Padel Proposal The club has received a request to consider a proposal to introduce Padel courts. One of the fastest growing sports across continental Europe, padel has gained increasing popularity over recent years, with over six million people currently playing in Spain. As this is one of the LTA's key strategies to find new ways to grow participation it was unanimously agreed to go</p>	<p>JS</p> <p>MB/RW</p> <p>LB</p>

	<p>ahead and arrange a site visit to explore the opportunity further</p> <p>Book Readings</p> <p>Jackie suggested Elmwood could be a venue for a book readings as we have many local authors – perhaps monthly with the bar open / food / music.</p> <p>Ideas to be sought from members at the AGM.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NEXT MEETING JANUARY 11TH 2022 7.30PM</p>	
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