



MINUTES of the COURSE MANAGEMENT SUB COMMITTEE MEETING

Location The Club House **Date:** Wednesday 28/03/ 2018 at 0900

Comprising of Course Walk with Agronomist Alistair Beggs (STRI).

Present:	Jim Williams.	Captain	JW.
	Alex Wright	Head Greenkeeper.	AW.
	Paul Asher	Chair Course Management	PWA.
	Geoff Marley.	Course Management.	GM.
	Bill Benbow	Course Management	WB.
	John Hughes	Course Management	J.H.
	Liz Munro.	Course Management.	L.M

1. Apologies for absence:
 Gail Aspden Captain. GA.

2. Minutes of the Course Management Sub Committee Meeting Wednesday 21st February 2018.

Proposed by: WB.

Seconded by: GM.

	Subject	Action By	Date By
3	Matters Arising:		
3.1	Course Walk with Alistair BEGGS – STRI.		
3.1.1	<p>After a thorough examination of the course Alistair made appreciative remarks, with regard to the work that has been carried out during the past 12 months. His report will be with us in due course and it is the intention of Course Management to display it on the club website.</p> <p><i>Course Management Committee thank the Greens Staff for their efforts over the past 12 months and wish the membership to aware of the efforts of the Volunteer Work Parties, who have assisted Alex and his staff on a regular basis throughout the year, clearing trees and vegetation and divoting the fairways etc. A big thank you to all concerned.</i></p>		
3.2	Repair to Roller Shutters – Greenkeepers Shed.		
3.2.1	3 companies have attended and assessed that a new motor is required – we are awaiting their submission of estimates.	AW	25/04/2018
4.	Head Greenkeepers Report March 2018.		

4.1	Greens:		
4.1.1	All vertidraind using 11 inch tines – no winter aeration due to adverse conditions.	AW	25/04/2018
4.1.2	Invigorator 4-0-8 + iron feed @ 2oz rate applied.		
4.1.3	Liquid seaweed – monthly pass		
4.1.4	Revolution Wetting Agent – 20 litre – heavy first pass.		
4.1.5	In the region of 140 sump holes installed towards the rear of the 4 th green, to assist with drainage.		
4.2	Tees		
4.2.1	Cutting of tee areas commenced; to be completed.		25/04/2018
4.3	Fairways:		
4.3.1	Mallinson's have finished vertidrainning ALL fairways, including par 3 holes for first time.	AW	25/04/2018
4.3.2	8 fairways dl voted with soil and seed – VWP assistance.		
4.3.3	'Total' weed killer applied to all paths, car park and steps.		
4.3.4	New pathway to left of 1 st green to be opened, once area has dried out.		
4.3.5	Some re-turfing to the rear of the 4 th green required.		
4.3.6	Spring fertiliser ordered for March application, once weather becomes warmer – encourage Spring growth.		
4.4	Winter Programme.		
4.4.1	Due to staff shortages (sickness) the Winter Programme has been put on hold, to enable Spring preparation.	AW	25/04/2018
4.4.2	Extra work incurred, clearing debris from car park (residue from re-building of wall) and the sump holes installed on the 4 th green, to assist drainage.		
4.5	Agreed Immediate Work – Agronomist's Visit.		
4.5.1	Approaches and sides to ALL greens to receive an application of Sulphate of Iron in order to reduce worm casts and encourage growth.	AW	25/04/2018
4.5.2	Rope off the area on 13 th fairway, where turf has bubbled, identify source of leak and repair.		
4.5.3	H&S – Fell the 2 tall silver birch trees currently leaning in a dangerous manner to the right of the 13 th green.		

4.5.4	Greens to be vertidraind and top dress with CH45 sand, using 8 or 10 mm tines, as discussed. This to be repeated monthly		
4.5.5	Extend areas around the green, where possible, to be cut using the Jacob Mower(s) – improve growth – using grass box and good composting routine.		
4.5.6	Rope off the approach to FIRST GREEN, until area dries out, diverting traffic along the new pathway, leading to the 2 nd tee.		
4.5.7	Once dry, Vertidrain the currently wet areas around the 1 st and 2 nd greens and repeat before end of April if possible. Sand these areas immediately after vertidraind, if budget will allow, Rake and apply fescue grass seed to the bank at the left of the 3 rd green. Promote growth and improve playing surface.		
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5	Volunteer Work Party		
5.1.1	VWP's now working on vegetation to left of 16 th fairway and right of 13 th green.	AW	25/04/2018
5.1.2	Divoting Party to continue until completed, when available.		
6	Budget		
6.1.	Course Budget 2017-2018.		
6.1.1	GM reported that we had made early purchase of sand and fertiliser, which would reflect in the monthly spend. We are within budget and will make necessary budget adjustments, should they be required.	GM	25/04/2018
7.	Correspondence.		
7.1.	18032018 – James Constable 9 Blaydon Walk. Property runs alongside 1 st fairway - requesting access to course in order to remove large Sycamore Street at the bottom of his garden.		
7.2.	22032018 – Roger Henry – 17 Inveresk Court CH 43 7PL. Property to rear of 5 th green – requesting access to course in order to remove Sycamore Tree and Saplings on the pathway between the course and his property. <i>PWA has liaised (e mail & phone calls) with both parties and agreement reached that work to be carried out at their own expense. Not to interfere with the playing of golf.</i>		Ongoing
8.	Referrals:		
8.1.	Positioning and Purchasing of Bunker Rakes. Captain JW reported that Captains' Committee had chosen		

	rake stands, which were to be placed within the bunkers. AW requested that 50 superior quality bunker rakes be purchased ASAP. – WB to make enquiries.	WB	25/04/2018
9.	Any Other Business: Nil.		
10	Date of Next Meeting Wednesday 25th April 2018 at 1000 hours.		
	Proposed by:		25/04/2018
	Seconded by:		25/04/2018
	Submitting Paul Asher.		25/04/2018