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Committee Meeting Minutes, Wednesday 5th February 2025, 6:30PM

(Held in the Clubhouse)

Meeting started at 6:38pm

1. **Attendance:** Mel, Adam, Chris, Becca, Callum, Laurent, Ollie
2. **Apologies:** Helen
3. **Minutes of previous committee meeting (13.i.25)**
 - a. Minutes of the previous meeting agreed.
 - b. Need to change the “yes” that Jason and Toussaint can do other coaching at the club as the committee agreed that is not the case.
4. **Matters arising from previous committee meeting (13.i.25)**
 - a. Bench now fixed in the men’s changing room!
 - b. Heating now fixed. However, some complaints from Pilates that the clubhouse is still not warm enough. Ollie to fix the timer. Mel to text the times to Ollie to sort this out.
 - c. For the latest status of open items please see the [Open Maintenance Items](#) spreadsheet.
5. **Perennials**
 - a. Site inspection completed and everything is fine.
 - i. Water across the drive seems to have improved thanks to the allotments efforts.

6. Finances (CS)

Balance 4 February 2025: Old current account	£422.50	
		(but includes £7,000 cash flow loan so really -£6,578)
Balance 12 January 2025: New current account	£635	
Balance 12 January 2025: Savings account	£94,264	
Balance total 12 January 2025		£88,321
Balance at last committee meeting (5 November 2024)		£92,491
Balance one year ago		£77,632

Notable transactions since last committee meeting:

Outflows – total £4,532

- Water bill £1,476
- Electricity bill £1,499

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- Quarterly rent £869
- Tree surgeon £450
- Repair of bench in men's changing room £220
- Key cutting £18

Inflows

- Pilates room hire £345

Commentary

A fairly grisly month for the accounts, with the balance falling by over £4,000, necessitating a significant top up to the cash flow loan (£+4,000, to a total of +£7,000).

We are due £1,415 back from the Christmas Tree people which will help the position a bit.

The major concern this month was a large monthly water payment – usually this is around £250-£300 (although prior to 2024 it was around £120 a month). I have checked the meter and it is a reasonable charge based on usage. There was a similar very large one-off payment last January which did not recur, so hopefully the same will happen again. However, last year we attributed it (correctly or not) to pressure washing, and there is no such reason this year. So it is surely indicative of a leak and quite possibly that the leak is getting worse, so I think a permanent solution is needed – hence the later agenda item.

Otherwise, we have hopefully now made all the irregular payments required before the subs renewal season, so things will start to look better soon – although it all emphasises the need for a plan to get new members in as early as possible to maximise income.

7. Membership update (OM)

- a. Details of accelerated 2025 membership drive to be worked out.
- b. New members trial day on a Saturday in mid-March. Ollie to organize. Reach out to top 50 members on waiting list to see who wants to attend. Ollie to let committee know dates.
- c. Confirmed no change in fees is fine with the membership secretary as a recommendation.

8. Outside the clubhouse:

- a. Water leak fix (CS)
 - i. Chris to speak to Fin and Malcolm about where we left off last time with this issue and then reach out to contractors if needed following this discussion.
- b. Court 3 maintenance contract (CS)
 - i. Proposal received from Trevor May. Have put their prices up more than we would like. Agreed reluctantly that this is fine with some general grumbling.

9. Social Update (AF)

- a. Updated calendar sent around for social events.

10. Bar report (HN)

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- a. Apologized that she couldn't make it.

11. Tennis (Update from club captain (RS / LC))

- a. Finalize proposal for club calendar
 - i. Ollie to ask Charlie about Solstice Cup timing.
 - ii. Laurent is retiring as the men's captain.
 - iii. Becca and Laurent to work out how this role will work going forward.
- b. Lack of M1 players. Men to discuss how to address this with the possibility that everyone moves up a team.
- c. Charging of coaching
 - i. Becca to tell the coaches of the coaching feed that they will be charged.
 - ii. Giulia and Emer will have to report what the coaches owe based on the number of sessions.
 - iii. They will then be invoiced quarterly by Chris.
 - iv. Fine to share codes for the clubhouse, courts etc. with them. They are not storing their stuff here.

12. AOB

- a. Proposals to be put forward by the committee for AGM
 - i. Not changing fees will be one.
 - ii. Explicit change in the rules for guest policy?
 - 1. Felt this was not necessary as this is already broadly covered in the rules and the club's position on this should now be clear.
 - iii. Introduce a charge to join the waiting list?
 - 1. No. Agreed we would rather not propose this.
 - iv. Freebies for new members?
 - 1. Given the long waiting list agreed this was not necessary. However, free food and drinks for the new members day would be OK.
 - v. Propose the same format as last year with notes from the committee sent out in advance.
- b. Live broadcasts of tennis sessions (CS)
 - i. Raised as a request by a member. No to us doing Youtube or permanent fixture for filming. However if he gets everyone's consent he is OK to film. Chris to go back to Adrian on this.
- c. Food recycling (CS)
 - i. Regulations coming in for this for larger companies.
 - ii. However we agreed it was not necessary for us to pay extra for this as we are less than 10 employees and do not generate much food waste.
- d. Tree surgeon - Mel discussed deposit with Fin. Unlikely we'd recovered. Might chat with Reg. Exhausted options.
- e. Wheelchair tennis is still advertised on the website.
 - i. Callum to take this off along with other updates.
- f. Need to find a bar manager replacement.
 - i. Helen to list out the jobs for this to make it clear what the responsibilities are and share with potential candidates.

13. DONM

- a. Next meeting will be held on Wednesday 9th April at the clubhouse at 6:30pm.