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Committee Meeting Minutes, Monday 5th August 2024, 7:30PM

(Held in the Clubhouse)

Meeting started at 19:34

1. **Attendance:** Mel, Chris, Callum, Rebecca, Helen, Laurent, Ollie, Adam
2. **Apologies:** None
3. **Minutes of previous committee meeting (26.vi.24)**
 - a. Minutes of the previous committee meeting approved.
4. **Matters arising from previous committee meeting (26.vi.24)**
 - a. Rather than tracking an ongoing list of maintenance items / issues as part of matters arising each committee meeting we agreed we would keep a list of open items in a shared spreadsheet where the latest status is tracked and updated before each meeting.
 - b. Callum to share this in advance of the next meeting.
5. **Perennials**
 - a. Site inspection has been completed by Mel and everything is fine.
 - b. Gunk has been scraped away from the driveway and rubbish removed, safety confirmed.

6. **Finances (CS)**

Balance 4 August 2024: Old current account	£1,738
Balance 4 August 2024: New current account	£16,058
Balance 4 August 2024: Savings account	£94,264
Balance total 4 August 2024	£112,060
Balance at last committee meeting (25 June 2024)	£110,242
Balance one year ago	£87,502

Notable transactions since last committee meeting:

Outflows

- Quarterly rent and annual buildings insurance: £2,331
- Bar licence renewal: £180
- Court 3 maintenance: £1,692

Inflows

- Gianluca June court payments: £54
- Interest on savings account: £3,264

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Commentary

Quite an eventful month on the finance side – large outflows including the annual buildings insurance and Court 3 maintenance, but also the boost of £3,264 from the maturing savings account. As agreed, I rolled over the savings plus an additional £15,000 from the current account to another one-year savings bond at 5.2%, giving a total savings balance of £94,264 and expected interest in a year's time of £4,902.

There have also been significant inflows from a series of excellent social events (the recent external party, Fernando's Camber kitchen, Cinema Club, Fast 4s, Solstice Cup/pub night) as well as a continued good inflow of new member subs. Hence, despite the large outgoings, we ended the month with nearly £2,000 more than we started it.

The work on courts 1-2, which should complete in the next couple of weeks, will cost £12,510.

7. Membership update (OM)

- a. We now have 175 full members, with 25 new adult joiners since the 1st April.
- b. Down to 80 on the waiting list (since confirmed to actually be 200 by Ollie who was reviewing the wrong spreadsheet).
- c. All new members added to the email distribution list and WhatsApp group.
- d. It was noted that the process has been particularly challenging and elongated this year.
- e. Ollie to develop a plan for next year to try and make the process smoother.

8. Inside the clubhouse:

- a. Broken bench in the Men's toilets.
 - i. Still waiting to be fixed by Mark Thurgood.
- b. Broken taps in the Men's and disabled toilets.
 - i. Chris to purchase these and attempt to fix them.
- c. Issue with the middle cupboard outside door.
 - i. The key doesn't work from the inside of the door. Mel to ask Nick about this.
- d. As discussed we will move all of these items to the spreadsheet for future meetings.

9. Outside the clubhouse:

- a. Tree from allotment.
 - i. Chris to investigate with Southwark planning about getting the necessary approval for having this trimmed back.
 - ii. In parallel Mel will look into quotes for having this work done and discuss this with the allotments.
 - iii. Agreed we will just focus on the Court 1 tree.
- b. Trimming of hedges alongside the courts.
 - i. Mel to get a quote for these to be done at the same time as the tree.
- c. External solar lights for Court 1.
 - i. Steph is looking into installing these.
- d. Weed killing.
 - i. Some of this has been completed but some still needs to be done.

10. Social Update (AF)

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- a. Fernando hosted an Asado and Film Night.
 - i. The Asado was a carnivorous feast and the group pretty much drank the bar dry.
 - ii. The film night was as good as usual.
 - iii. Thanks Fernando for organising these events!
- b. Euros Final
 - i. There was a good contingent down to watch the Euros final at the clubhouse. Disappointment in the results but great for the bar income.
- c. Mel and Chris to organise a bank holiday tournament in Adam's absence.
- d. Looking to organise another Camber Kitchen. Please send in other ideas.
- e. Starting to think about the annual dinner next month. Will confirm pricing then.
- f. For finals day we need to have a BBQ person. Adam will ask around.

11. Bar report (HN)

- a. Bar going well. Been quite a few social events to help.
- b. Still having issues with the barrel.
 - i. Recently it seems the tap had been pushed out resulting in leaking beer.
 - ii. Chris suggested this could be because the beer is still live, with the gas produced leading to this happening.
 - iii. Chris to have a word with Colin and Alex to help ensure this doesn't happen again in the future.
- c. There was a discussion around whether it was worth continuing to host private parties for non-members going forward given the work involved in the most recent one and the limited takings.
 - i. Agreed that we would continue to host these providing we can staff them.
 - ii. However we will make some amendments to the current terms and conditions to ensure these are more worthwhile when we host them.
 - iii. For non-members we will charge £250 upfront to secure the date and the venue. Then there will be a £750 minimum spend.
 - iv. Agreed there would be no changes to the bar price or special requests to make things easier for Helen.
 - v. For the booking request Ollie has received he can share these new terms and prices with them.

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

- a. Club tournament in progress - may be tricky to fit in matches over court maintenance.
- b. Agreed that potentially club play could make way for tournament matches if needed.
- c. Potential rejig of tournament calendar to be considered ahead of the AGM next year.
- d. Options that will be considered include:
 - i. Hold tournament in 2 weeks only and cancel everything else.
 - ii. Spread tournament out from May - Sept play with people playing in their own time.
- e. Still need the handicap to fit in, plus the Solstice Cup and Fast 4s.

13. AOB

- a. Coaching Update
 - i. Mel will speak to Gianluca again about whether he could do evening training for the teams.

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1. However, we think this is unlikely and so we will have to start exploring other options.
- b. Post (CS)
 - i. Reminder to check post more regularly.
- c. Pilates equipment and terms (MC/CS)
 - i. Sophie responsible for paying (£15 per session) from when she leaves.
 - ii. Agreed that as long as the space it takes up is limited it is OK for them to put their equipment in the middle cupboard.
- d. Solstice Cup and Pub Night (AF)
 - i. Agreed that Solstice Cup was a success and led nicely into the pub night.
 - ii. However we should deconflict this with the Fast 4s and add a women's tournament.
 - iii. Rebecca and Laurent to bring a proposal to the AGM.
- e. Cricket club got planning permission for their new clubhouse.
 - i. This has raised a question about them using the bar while it is being built.
 - ii. We will bring this up at the next meeting as this topic was cut short by the women's 800m final. Congrats Keely!
- f. Agreed that we need to organise another maintenance day as well.
 - i. Provisionally scheduled for Saturday 14th September.

14. DONM

- a. Next meeting will be held on Wednesday 4th September at 6:30pm in the clubhouse.

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