



MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, 18 NOVEMBER 2019

1. 16 members attended. Apologies were received from Audrey Adams, Fiona Graigie, Angie Gunn and Lewis Jacques. Approval of the 2018 minutes was proposed by Mark Hemsley and seconded by Karin Porter. There were no objections.

Agenda item 3: Annual reports

Treasurer's report

2. Paul Hunt circulated the balance sheet and accounts. He also referred to his written report which had been distributed in advance of the meeting. He noted that subscription incomes had increased by 8.4%. Sufficient income was being put aside for ultimate replacement of the courts and for renewal of the floodlights, the latter possibly in the next one to two years. He thanked Warwick Bird for his help throughout the year. Approval of the provisional accounts was proposed by Warwick Bird and seconded by Kevin Johnson. There were no objections.

Chairman's report

3. Adrian noted that there had been three deaths of long standing members over the year – Viren Ghelani, Laurie Harwood and Keith Smart. A minute's silence was held in their memory. No safeguarding issues had been raised in the last year. Our registration with the LTA had been renewed this November. Membership had increased by around 5% over 2018. There continued to be problems in finding volunteers to serve on the Committee. Vacancies existed for maintenance, communications and junior representatives. Expressions of interest from members would be welcome at any time. Of the two Club priorities set out at the beginning of the year, the coaching contract had been renegotiated in mid-August but we had been unable to find a replacement for Imagine as a sponsor. Given this, the Club had agreed to subsidise the junior performance squads although there has been a consequent increase in parental contributions. Whether the club contribution can continue will be for the next Committee to consider, although it is recognised that the squads are an important element of the Club's sustainability over the medium term.

4. Quotations had been received for the ground levelling works but as they had ranged from £5,000 to £10,000, the Committee had considered that this expense was not an effective use of the Club's resources. A maintenance contract had been entered into with a local gardening service.

5. It will be for the Committee to discuss the priorities for 2020 but it is likely to include replacing and renewing the floodlight system

Other reports

6. The reports of the chief coach, men's and ladies captains and membership secretary were circulated in writing to all members in advance of the AGM

Agenda item 4: New membership categories and fees for 2019

7. Mark Hemsley and Paul Hunt introduced the proposal for new membership fees for 2019. The only change proposed was an increase in the adult membership from £190 to £194 with some very minor consequential changes in the family pack subscriptions. This was approved by a majority vote. A proposal to introduce a new category for adult members under 30 was defeated.

Agenda item 6: Election of Management Committee for 2018/19

8. A nomination had been received from Adrian Davis, seconded by Paul Hunt, that Jonathan Brunert be nominated as Chairman. This was accepted without any objections. Adrian confirmed he would be willing to resume his duties as Committee Secretary. There were no other nominations for Committee membership.

9. The following members were therefore elected to the Management Committee.

Chairman	Jonathan Brunert
Treasurer	Paul Hunt
Committee Secretary	Adrian Davis
Men's Captain	Joint – Mark Hastings/Jonathan Brunert
Ladies Captain	Ann Lough
Facilities Manager and Fixtures	Vacant
Communications	Vacant
Committee Member	Judith Sylvester
Membership Secretary	Mark Hemsley
Welfare Officer and Social Tennis	Jan Godecharle

Agenda item 7: Election of Officers/Trustees of Cassiobury Gardens Ltd.

10. The current incumbents – Warwick Bird, Laurie Schenk, Ian Tottman and Paul Hunt - were re-elected.

11. The AGM finished at 2020.

Adrian Davis
Committee Secretary