

ASHTED BOWLS CLUB

Minutes of a Special General Meeting held on Thursday 6th February at 730pm in the Clubhouse

Agenda Item 1

44 members of the Club attended.

24 Members gave their apologies

Agenda item 2 – Introduction by the Chairman

The Chairman welcomed and thanked all for attending.

In his introduction he reiterated the history of the reasons for what was proposed and explained the advantages and benefits of creating a 'Company Limited by Guarantee'. The Club had Trustees who had died in the 1960 shortly after a renewed lease had been signed in 1964 and until last year we were in limbo. Correcting this and looking at the overall situation with the Lawyers, it was suggested that the way we are proposing will safeguard all members responsibilities.

The Directors of the newly formed Company will also be safeguarded but will not have any authority to act on behalf of the Club without the Members agreement.

The Club by becoming a Community Amateur Sports Club (CASC) will have a status similar to that of a charity with a number of benefits, the charitable status without the complications of becoming a full charity under the control of the Charity Commission without the attached bureaucracy

He welcomed again Richard Cunningham of Wellers Hedley who has agreed to answer any questions or concerns regarding the two proposals.

Agenda Item 3 - Questions from Members

Concern was expressed over the Insurance and if this would need to be amended. It was explained that once we agree the proposals, discussions will take place with the insurers and any alterations will be incorporated into our policies. It was also

requested that confirmation of the insurance policies should be made at each AGM via the Treasurers report.

A question was raised about disciplinary processes – this is now covered by a shortened Para in the constitution saying we will abide the terms as laid down by Bowls England

Currently we do not pay Council Tax, this has been waived by the local Council, however by becoming CASC compliant, officially, council tax exempt.

The Management Committee has decided there will be 4 Directors of Ashtead Bowls Club Services Ltd. Directors of the Company will be appointed by the Management Company and any changes will be required to be notified to Companies House at the earliest possible time.

Agenda Item 4 –Proposal 1

To form a Company Limited by Guarantee and be known as The Ashtead Bowls Club Services Ltd

The Secretary read out the full proposal and the necessary changes to the Constitution. He then asked a vote by a show of hands of those in favour, this was agreed unanimously. (There were no abstentions or objections)

Proposal 2

That the Ashtead Bowls Club register with HMRC to become a Community Amateur Sports Club

He then asked for a vote by a show of hands of those in favour, this was agreed unanimously. (There were no abstentions or objections)

The Chairman then again thanked Richard Cunningham and all members for attending, adding that we can now move forward with implementing the decisions made tonight and in agreeing the lease with the Cricket Club.

The Meeting closed at 2115 Hrs.