

WARKWORTH GOLF CLUB

GREENS MINUTES 12th December 2018

1 Present Michael Lucas (Temp Chair), George Douglas, David Metcalf

2 Apologies Penny Lewis

3 Minutes of Previous Minutes

There were no previous minutes to approve.

4 Matters arising

4.1 A discussion was held on who would be Chair of the Greens and it was agreed that David Metcalf would Chair the Greens.

4.2 It was proposed that a league player be asked to be co-opted onto the Greens Committee to give a perspective of a low handicapped player to course condition, improvement and operation.

It was agreed that Robert Bamburgh would be approached to take on this role.

4.3 Cost for over seeding material to be obtained (see 7.3 and 8.1)

5 Machinery and Plant

5.1 A greens machine has been purchased which is a Jacobson Eclipse 322 Hybrid Riding Greens Mower. The machine is 4 years old with 2,400 hours run time and has been purchased for 9k inc Vat.

Maintenance of the machine will be arranged with a registered Jacobson maintenance contractor and three quotations for this will be obtained. The greens staff will undertake minor maintenance such as oil and filters.

5.2 There are two other greens machines operated by the club and these will be retained, the 3250 will be used for the tees and the other machine will be a back up for the new 322 machine.

5.3 All redundant equipment will be scrapped and we will attempt to obtain a weight in price from a scrap merchant.

5.4 A new hand mower is required for the maintenance of the greens in the winter, this will lessen compaction on the greens. It was indicated that this would be about 1.5k to purchase and will be purchased in Q3 2019.

6 Staff

6.1 The present green keeper had indicated that he may be retiring and this situation should be monitored to allow a suitable replacement to be employed.

Alan Dalby's contact should be checked to see what notice period is required to be given.

6.2 Information on the operation of equipment, H&S, course layout with key points for water, drainage etc should be prepared by Alan as handover documents.

7 Maintenance

7.1 The use of the Verti Drainer is continuing to give the course aeration of the grass

7.2 The greens are to be sprayed with iron

7.3 It is recommended that over seeding of poor areas of grass takes place in March/April.

8 Finance

8.1 The cost of materials for over seeding is required, this expenditure will be signed off by the main committee at the January meeting.

9 AOB

There was no AOB

10 Next meeting

TBC