# BATH STREET MARINE TABLE TENNIS CLUB General Management Committee Meeting – 29 November 2019

Present: Bernard Cooney (Chairman), Graham Turner (Secretary), Ian Brownrigg (Treasurer), Lesley Blanchard, Mary Delamere, Jennifer Givens and Doreen Smith.

- 1. The meeting commenced at 1:15pm.
- 2. Apologies received from Keith Hardman and Des Logan.
- 3. Matters arising from previous meeting:
  - a. All property matters covered under separate agenda item.
  - b. Item 4d Loan Agreements. The final agreements were signed by the Secretary. It was confirmed that 2 are to be repaid forthwith and the remainder will be reviewed and cleared if possible, by the end of the current financial year.
  - c. Item 4f Utility Bills. The first electricity bill had been received and paid. This was effectively an invoice raised by Marine FC. The only issue is that the invoice included VAT at full rate. However, the Club does not believe it is subject to VAT at full rate on electricity supplies. IB to take this forward. Ideally the club needs to have control of its own supply.
  - d. Item 4g Corporate Structure. This continues to be ongoing.

## 4. Property Update

- a. Water Ingress a new sealing coat has now been applied to the roof. An industrial dehumidifier has been loaned by Eagle to dry out trapped water in the ceiling void, and it has been recommended that heaters are left on for the time being to assist full drying out. The issue of possible condensation is also being reviewed and if necessary, a new air gap will be created to ensure that condensation does not build up.
- b. Sponsorship the offer of sponsorship of a new club Tshirt by Eagle is ongoing.
- c. Lighting the new light tile is still awaited.
- d. Wall damage Eagle have voluntarily agreed to repair free of charge the section of wall damaged in an incident. Any cost would however have been covered by insurance.
- e. Acoustics An order has been placed for 134 acoustic ceiling tiles at a cost of £2035. A plan for their placement is being drawn up by Hush Acoustics, but the club will be responsible for fitting. They will need to be white painted and fitted at a time that causes minimum disruption to league match play. This should make a significant improvement to reverberation and sound quality. BC & KH taking forward.
- f. Security an ongoing conversation to encourage all users to ensure hall is properly secured at the end of sessions, alarm activated and for the time being heaters and humidifier left on.
- g. Outside Lighting this is still ongoing with Marine FC.
- h. Building Gap there remains concern about the gap beneath the building which attracts rubbish and could lead to vermin and the risk that people might try to get beneath the building.

IB drew attention to the Marine Presidents Fund which might provide a grant that would enable the gap to be filled. An application will be made.

#### 5. Finance & Membership

- a. Treasurer reported that current balance was £11,002, but this included loans totalling £6,000. The balance included a new donation of £3,000 that had come through David Bell's contacts. IB acknowledged this donation. As per 3b above it was agreed that all loans should be repaid if possible before the end of the current financial year so that the club has a clear picture of its financial standing.
- b. It was reported that the current membership had now progressed to 83 and new members are still being attracted.

#### 6. TT Kidz

GT reported that the no application is being made for a TT Kidz programme either at the clubhouse or at Anfield.

## 7. Social Events Update

The event planned for 30 November had been cancelled, however the Christmas social event is fully booked for the 13 December. Raffle prizes are needed for this occasion.

## 8. League Update

- a. Nothing further had been heard from the LDTTL regarding the request for barriers. GRT to follow up.
- b. GRT reported that all teams were functioning well, and no significant problems appear to have arisen with the new playing conditions.

# 9. Any Other Business

- a. It was reported that Marine in the Community would like to hire our facility for a respite for young carers session. BC to take negotiations forward.
- b. Club members are continuing to support the Marine Community Café and a social event for this is planned for 18 December.
- c. It was agreed that the club should acknowledge the work done by volunteers who have made a significant contribution to helping to maintain the new premises.

The meeting was closed at approximately 2:05pm. The next meeting will be in January – date to be determined.

Graham Turner Secretary, 29 November 2019