

**Committee Meeting held on Friday 1st October,2021 at 11.00 am
in the Bowls Pavilion.**

Present: T Kneale, R Stewart, S Liddicott, D Hird, R Moxham, P Cain,
R Williams, J Cairns, P Heron, B Kaighan

Apologies: T Moxham, J Bawden, J Lavender, W Heywood, C Knipe.

The Chairman opened the meeting and asked the Secretary to read the minutes from the previous meeting. Bob made apologies for those missing, and read the minutes, from which, apart from confirming that a further £200 had been received in sponsorship from Holden's to cover this year's extra publicity, there were no other matters arising.

The Treasurer reported a healthy bank balance following a surplus on this year's accounts, which included a contribution from the Ladies section, but confirmed that two years honorariums and green feed costs were still to be accounted for, and that a decision was still needed around the loan made to the Sports Club.

In correspondence, Bob confirmed receiving an email from Jim Bawden confirming that the Senior Citizens league were to make a decision on the formation of the leagues for the 2022 season at their AGM; which it was believed was to be held on the 25th October. Discussion took place, with the Committee recommending two leagues of 14 teams be made by the Club's representatives at the AGM.

The Leagues delegate (Dave Hird) confirmed that the F&DBL had met, confirmed that 34 members had died during the past 18 months and that the formation of the league was to be agreed at the AGM; which included proposals for either 8, 10 or 12 man teams and the inclusion of ladies. The committee confirmed an earlier decision to vote for 12 man teams and following discussion with the lady members of the committee, it was decided to vote in keeping the league men only. A meeting had yet to be arranged by the U&DBL.

Brian Kaighan confirmed that the website was up to date with all the latest information, apart from photos of the 'Pairs' competition, which were being held back whilst he got the names of those players appearing in the photos. Names were provided at the end of the meeting, and Brian concluded in asking the Committee if there were anything else that needed reporting on.

Bob reported on the 'open' competitions, in confirming the number of entries received, eventual winners and that a surplus had been made from both events.

Pat Heron then made a presentation of a proposed upgrade to the Bowls Pavilion, which could well exceed £4k; when looking at quotes from Anderson's (kitchen) and Heath's for desks and cabinets. Paul Cain brought word from Alan Artis that a new boiler would also be needed, and it was decided to prioritise the kitchen work first, with Pat & Bob to visit Anderson's to obtain pictures of the proposed layout and costs for floor covering and fitting.

The format for the social evening was discussed, and it was agreed that there would be no cost for the supper to both members and guests. Approximately 50 names were on the list from both the men's and ladies' sections.

There was no other business, the next meeting would take place on Friday 26th November unless we needed to discuss the kitchen upgrades at an earlier date, and the meeting closed at 12.15 pm.