

Arscott Golf Club
EGM
Monday 16th December 2019

Present: Nick Jones, Paul Buckley, Dave Wallace, John Morris, Alan Tolhurst, Joe Rimmer, Martin Oakley, Chris Brace, Geoff Harding, John Simpson, Tom Lee, and Jacqui Mullineux.

1. Welcome and Introductory Remarks

The Managing Director of the Club's Board, Nick Jones, welcomed all to the meeting, with the purpose of the meeting being to amend the Club's Constitution and Articles of Association as required by HMRC in order to be compliant with Community Amateur Sports Club (CASC) status, which brought significant financial benefits to the Club in terms of an 80% reduction in Business Rates.

2. Proposed Amendments to Constitution

Paul Buckley, Company Secretary, read out the changes proposed to the Constitution and Articles of Association, as set out in the notice for the EGM. On being put to the vote, the amendments were unanimously agreed by those present. In addition, 58 votes in favour had been received from members by email.

Questions were invited from the floor:

Joe Rimmer: was there any requirement for the Clubhouse to be fully accessible?
Chris Brace answered that, as the Clubhouse had been built prior to legislation requiring 'public' buildings to be accessible, there was no requirement. Nick Jones stressed that there were no limitations on accessibility to the golf course.

Jacqui Mullineux: how certain was the Club of now securing CASC status? Nick Jones replied that the amendments set out were exactly as prescribed by HMRC, so the Constitution should now be fully compliant with the requirements.

Tom Lee: what would the saving be in Business Rates? Nick Jones stated that the savings in a full year would be in the order of £14,000-£15,000.

Alan Tolhurst: when would the Business Rates reduction come into effect? Nick Jones answered that, if the CASC application was successful, the rates reduction would start from the date of application – August 2019.

3. Closure of Meeting

There being no further questions, Paul Buckley thanked all for their attendance and support, and closed the meeting.