



Seaford Town Council

Minutes of a meeting of Seaford Town Council's Golf & The View Committee on Tuesday, 7th December 2021.

Held at Council Chambers, 37 Church Street, Seaford at 7.00pm.

Present:

Councillors D Argent (Chair) and B Payne (Vice-Chair)

Councillors M Brown, J Edson, J Meek and B Webb.

Adam Chugg, Town Clerk; Simon Lambert, Head Greenkeeper;

Fraser Morley, Golf Professional; Craig Nicol, General Manager - The View.

Alan Miller and Shaun Doyle, Seaford Head Golf Club

There were no members of the public in attendance.

G17/12/21 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J Cash (J Meek substituted for) and R Reed.

G18/12/21 Disclosure of Interests

There were no disclosures of interests.

G19/12/21 Public Participation

There was no public participation.

G20/12/21 Head Greenkeeper's Report

The Committee considered report 135/21 presenting an update on golf course maintenance.

The Committee were provided with a verbal update on staff training, new equipment purchase and the works planned. The Committee discussed the partnership working with Seaford Head Local Nature Reserve Management Committee, a public query relating to spraying on the course and the watering arrangements for the green roof at The View.

It was **RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the contents of the report.

G21/12/21 Golf Professional's Report

The Committee considered report 136/21 presenting an update on golf course related matters.

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The Committee were provided with a verbal update on recent performance and the investigatory works on Seaford Head relating to the iron age fort. Clarification was given surrounding the request for a parking space by a club member and the amendments to staffing arrangements in the Pro Shop.

G20.1 It was **RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the contents of the report.

G20.2 It was **RESOLVED** to **APPROVE** the following for fees in 2022 - 2023

- a) Membership renewals fees remain as 2021 - 2022
- b) New members fees increase by 3.5%
- c) Concessional rates/guest fees remain as 2021 - 2022
- d) Standard green fees increase from £28 to £30 (midweek) and £33 to £35 (weekends and Bank Holidays)

G20.3 It was **RESOLVED** to **ACKNOWLEDGE** the request from Seaford Head Golf Club for reserved parking spaces but turn down this request for the reasons set out within report 136/21, in line with the original decision to remove the spaces.

G20.4 It was **RESOLVED** to **ACKNOWLEDGE** the request for 9 hole membership to be offered but turn down this request for the reasons set out within report 136/21.

G21/12/21 The View General Manager's Report

The Committee considered report 137/21 presenting an update on business operations at The View.

The Committee were provided with a verbal update on recent performance including the impact of Covid-19. The Committee discussed plans to replace furniture, the excellence of the catering, the financial viability of The View and the loan arrangements.

It was **RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the contents of the report.

G22/12/21 Golf & The View Committee Draft Budget Report 2022-2023

The Committee considered exempt report 134/21 present the Golf & The View Committee. It was **RESOLVED** to **RECOMMEND** that the Finance & General Purposes Committee be presented with the draft Golf & The View Committee Budget 2022-2023 and projected budgets to 2026-2027 for consideration.

G23/12/21 Seaford Head Golf Club Update

A new standard agenda item to enable the representatives of Seaford Head Golf Club at the meeting to give brief verbal updates on relevant business / activities of the club, for noting only.



The Committee was introduced to Shaun Doyle, the new Secretary of Seaford Head Golf Club, and provided with an overview of the role of the Golf Club and its Committee, planned activities, communications from the Town Council, the golf presence at The View, the introduction of Safe Golf and Club Welfare Officers, and the fantastic condition of the course.

The Committee discussed the options for increasing the presence of golf and the celebration of the course and club within The View, and the progress of discussions with Lewes District Council regarding electric car charging points within the car park

The meeting closed at 7.55pm.

Councillor D Argent
Chair of Golf & The View



