



## Seaford Town Council

### **Minutes of a meeting of Seaford Town Council's Golf & The View Committee on Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

Held at The View at Seaford Head, Southdown Road, Seaford, BN25 4JS on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December 2023 at 7.00pm.

#### **Present:**

Councillors S Adeniji (Chair), S Dubas (Vice Chair), R Buchanan, J Lord, J Meek, and L Stirton.

Adam Chugg, Town Clerk

Louise Lawrence, Head of Assets, Projects & Services

Zoe Polydorou, Projects Officer

Simon Lambert, Course Manager

Fraser Morley, Golf Professional

Shaun Doyle, Seaford Head Golf Club Representative

#### **G12/12/23 Apologies for Absence**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor L Wallraven.

#### **G13/12/23 Disclosure of Interests**

Councillor S Adeniji declared a non-pecuniary interest with a child as a youth member of the golf.

#### **G14/12/23 Public Participation**

There was no public participation.

#### **G16/12/23 Course Manager's Update Report**

The Committee considered report 113/23 providing an update on the management and maintenance of the golf course.

Members discussed an update on the multi-agency project for works to the 17<sup>th</sup> green and 18<sup>th</sup> tee, upgrades with the greenkeeper's yard, the onboarding of the newest member of the greenkeeping team, the natural management of worm casts, the current unviability of electric mowers on course, and the water feed for the green roof and its maintenance.

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

### **G17/12/23 Golf Professional's Update Report**

The Committee considered report 114/23 providing an update from the Golf Professional service on golf course related matters.

Members discussed the project plan for potential electric vehicle charging points in the car park, membership fees, member's discount cards, and licensing requirements in effect at The View.

**G17.1** It was **RESOLVED** to **NOTE** the contents of the report.

**G17.2** It was **RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the 2024 - 2025 membership fees for renewals and new members.

**G17.3** It was **RESOLVED** to **AGREE** the 2024 - 2025 green fees.

### **G18/12/23 The View Update Report**

The Committee considered report 119/23 providing an update on operations at The View.

Members discussed the proposed changes to the future management of The View, its current status, and high number of bookings over the Christmas period.

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

### **G15/12/23 Golf & The View Income & Expenditure Report to 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023**

The Committee considered report 116/23 updating the Golf & The View Committee on the income and expenditure to date.

Members discussed recent purchases to service the business now, a full inventory and stock evaluation being undertaken and agreed with the proposed tenant, the forward forecast for the department, current recruitment, and works required to the roof.

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

### **G20/12/23 Golf & The View 2024 – 2025 Budget Report**

The Committee considered report 115/23 presenting The Golf & The View draft budget report for 2024 - 2025.

Members discussed the impact of the outsourcing of The View on the financial position, the budget setting process and possible precept level, commending the financial position.

It was **RESOLVED** to **RECOMMEND** the draft Golf & The View 2024 – 2025 budget as presented to the Finance & General Purposes Committee for consideration.

## **G19/12/23 Seaford Head Golf Club Update**

The Seaford Head Golf Club Representative provided an update on the increase in membership fees, member's county cards, partnership working with the Course Manager and Golf Professional, concerns with the first hole, the cancellation of the quiz night, the mixed open continuing, members concerns around the outsourcing of The View, and the benefits of a working relationship being fostered between the Golf Club and proposed new tenants,

The meeting closed at 8.04pm

*Councillor S Adeniji*

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