

**DRAFT MINUTES**  
**GREAT HOLLANDS BOWLS CLUB**  
**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2024 AT 2PM**  
**LOCATION: CLUBHOUSE**

	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>1.</b>	Welcome – the meeting was opened at 13:55 Those attending: Olive Bambury (OB), Jose Chippendale (JCH), Brian Taylor (BT), Eddie Readings (ER), Ian Clarke (IC), June Clarke (JCL)	CHAIR
<b>2.</b>	Apologies None	
<b>3.</b>	Minutes of previous meeting (23/08/2024) – the minutes of this meeting were approved and signed by JCH	ALL
<b>4.</b>	<p>Actions from previous meeting</p> <p>7.3 Coaching – requests for members interest on undertaking a coaching course had been sent out by email and newsletter – unfortunately no interest to date has been received. The request will be reissued.</p> <p>11.2a Constitution – Section 7 - this been revised and will be submitted to member at the AGM scheduled for 9<sup>th</sup> February 2025 for consideration.</p> <p>11.3b Club Rules – Section 8.3 - revisions made and approved by the Executive Committee a copy of the revisions will be sent out to members, put on the club notice board and the website updated.</p> <p>11.4c Club Shirts – Angie Sherfield has provided information from a supplier, two designs have been received and will be sent out to members for their preference on design and size requirements. A hard copy will also be put on the notice board for all members to see who may not be able to view them on their mobile or computer. The closing date for responses on design preference and size required will be 30<sup>th</sup> November 2024.</p> <p>11.5d Gifts for visiting clubs – OB has obtained prices and design of proposed note books – 500 of these are to be ordered from Advantage Printers at a cost of £545 + VAT. Proposed to JCL, seconded by JCH. Carried unanimously.</p>	<p>JCL</p> <p>JCL</p> <p>JCL</p> <p>JCL</p> <p>OB</p>
<b>5.</b>	Club Presidents’ report Nothing additional to add at this time.	
<b>6.</b>	Club Chairpersons’ report Nothing additional to add at this time.	
<b>7.</b>	Club Captains’ report 7.1 Thanks to everyone who helped at the finals weekend – special thanks to the bar staff and the tea/coffee/food ladies.	
<b>8.</b>	Club Secretarys’ report 8.1 An email had been received from RCBBA advising that additional members and the loss of members submitted on the system that this has balanced out and no late affiliation fees were due.	NOTED

	8.2	An email had been received from BTC advising that there are 3 school events happening in Great Hollands Recreation Ground in the next few months. During these events there will be an impact on the BTC depot car park as the schools will be parking mini buses in this area to ensure no congestion on the main road. Thursday, 3 <sup>rd</sup> October Schools Cross Country, 24 <sup>th</sup> October Rugby Event, 14 <sup>th</sup> November Schools Cross Country.	NOTED
<b>9.</b>	Club Treasurers' report		
	9.1	A report September 2024 was presented by the Treasurer to the committee: Income - £22028.93 and Expenditure – £25528.75 A full detailed report will be available at the AGM on 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2025.	NOTED
	9.2	A grant has been applied on behalf of GHBC to BTC for £5800.	NOTED
<b>10.</b>	Clubhouse Managers' report		
	10.1	Mats & Score boards – Contact has been made with a company that may be able to supply these free of charge – bring forward to the next meeting.	IC/JCL
<b>11.</b>	AOB		
	11.1	John Preston letter received – various queries raised and the committee response is as follows: 1. The social side of the club is separate from the bowling side, the social side does have a voice at the AGM/EGM but has no voting rights. The club is open all year round with short mat, crib and Sunday lunchtime drinks available. 2. Any club member can propose a new member, subject to club procedures. 3. New notice boards are attached to both the side of the shed and the pavilion gate at the start of this year. 4. Changing the club from a bowls club with a social aspect to social with a bowls aspect will involve the following: A new constitution, new club rules, changing fees to higher social and lower player fees, affiliation to a social network, approval at an AGM/EGM. 5. The bar is open on other occasions when a bar person is available, it was tried for football, tennis, cricket and the Olympics. 6. The bottom gate is open on other occasions when the football at the park is high. The teddy bears picnic and the family date, both with thousands of footfall on the park but zero visitors to the club on these days. When visitors are seen observing a match when possible dialog is made/attempted, the same goes for when the public rink is being used. 7. Yes it would take a lot of organising, but as we are currently struggling for volunteers for a social committee we do not see any major changes being made at this time.	
	11.2	Letter from Linda Stone – request for revised bar opening times on Sundays – suggesting we open on the first Sunday of every month, also getting games together with the club staying open to 3 or 4pm. Following discussions the committee response is as follows: The bar is open every Sunday (subject to being staffed) and this will remain in effect as previously.	
	11.3	Email from Lorraine Capon – with the winter season about to start Lorraine requested guidance for volunteers who oversee various group events of any increases in fees. Committee responded as follows: the increased fees covering the bar and teas/coffees are currently the only increases made. There will be no increase at this time for short mat bowling, crib or the crafts.	

