

**Minutes of the Twenty First Annual General Meeting of Lode Tennis Club held on 25 September
2017 at 7.30 pm at 19 Abbey Lane**

Present: Jeff Kempster Will Jaggard Denise Bardan
 Lesley Pulvertaft Mo Brown

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1. Apologies were received from Sally Jaggard, John Lince, Elizabeth Miles, Tessa Shrubbs and Martin Ibbit.
2. The entire Committee of Management resigned in accordance with the constitution. All the committee members present (and John Lince and Sally Jaggard by proxy) offered themselves for re-election to the committee. There being no objections and no other candidates wishing to be considered it was declared that the Committee for the forthcoming year would comprise Jeff Kempster, Sally Jaggard, Will Jaggard, John Lince, Denise Bardan, Mo Brown, and Lesley Pulvertaft. As none of the other committee members wanted to become officers, Jeff Kempster and Sally Jaggard were prepared to continue to act in their current roles as chairman and treasurer respectively.
3. The minutes of the 20th AGM held on 22 September 2016 were accepted as a true record without amendment. All matters shown with action points had been dealt with (or will be at this meeting).
4. Will presented the treasurers report on behalf of Sally. This showed net expenditure of £328.75 after taking into account the payment of the final contributions to Parish Council of £2,329.02 relating to the cost of the new court surface. This meant that the club had a surplus from ordinary activities amounting to £2,000 (ie before payments to PC) and currently has a bank balance of £788.01. The fund raising activities during the year had raised £966.
5. Subscription rates for next year; The proposed increase subscription rates had been circulated with the Notice and Agenda. There had been several comments received, and they were almost unanimously in favour of the proposed increases along with some very kind comments and support for the committee. As a result it was unanimously agreed that the proposed increases should be implemented and consequently the subscription rates for next year would be set at: Adults £20, Couples £40, Junior £7.50, Whole Family £50, Guests either £3 per guest per session or a one off annual fee of £20. Replacement keys will be £5.
6. Arthur Tomlinson had suggested (last year) that it was not necessary to refer the decision concerning subscription rates to the Parish Council in order to comply with a conflict of interests policy. As it was now unlikely that such a policy might be required for grant applications, and as the proposal for new rates had been circulated to all members, it was decided to drop this aspect of the conflict of interest policy for the foreseeable future.
7. Members suggestions had been received (along with approval of the increase in subscriptions) as follows:
 - a. If the fencing is to be replaced, could consideration be given to the height on the side nearest Anglesey Abbey being higher to reduce the number of balls being lost over and into the hedge.
 - b. The possibility of a 'proper sign' in place to inform people that the court is run by Lode Tennis Club, is Members Only, and contact details (ie web site) for how to find out more.
 - c. That the hour set aside for Club Nights be made earlier once the nights start drawing in at the end of August

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All of the above were considered to be useful and will be implemented at the appropriate time.

8. The current levels of membership are standing at 42 member units and at least 76 members.
9. There being no other business, the next meeting of the Committee of Management was scheduled for immediately after the AGM and the AGM was closed at approximately 8.30pm with thanks to the members for their attendance.