

**Minutes of the Twenty-Eighth Annual General Meeting of Lode Tennis Club held on
24 September 2024 at 7.30 pm at 20 Mill Road**

Present:	Jeff Kempster Lesley Pulvertaft Gill Thurlby	Sally Jaggard Denise Bardan	Will Jaggard Mark Crawford	Action by
1.	Apologies were received from Nick Whitehead, and from Vishal Gokool.			
2.	The entire Committee of Management resigned in accordance with the constitution. All the previous committee members present (and those not present in person, by proxy) offered themselves for re-election to the committee. Consequently it was declared that the Committee for the forthcoming year would be the same as the previous year. 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 27 th AGM held on 3 October 2023 were accepted as a true record with just a small amendment to the date in the heading which should have read 3 October 2023 instead of 3 October 2022.			
4.	Jeff reported he had not yet enquired about what is covered by the insurance policy relating to the use of the court and the court itself, but he will endeavour to do so now that the Parish Clerk had become more established.			JK
5.	Sally presented the treasurers report. This showed a small net deficit for the year of £40.47 and a bank balance of £4,817.86. She explained that the £50 deposit for the Passage Hall was still awaited, and that the fees payable by non Lode Resident entrants in the competitions had still not been received. These would have turned the small deficit into a small surplus. This year included some unusual one off costs relating to the new bench (nearly £800) and the contribution towards repairing the damaged fence (£500). Gill will chase up payment of the outstanding competition fees, and next year we will implement a pay entrance fees <u>before</u> you play policy. Finally, someone had paid money into the bank account without completing a form or trying to collect a key. If anyone knows of a Lisa Gail Fisher who lives in the village we need her to contact Sally about membership.			GT All
6.	Subscription rates for next year; - After a short discussion, it was proposed and approved that the subscription rates should stay at the same levels as 2023/2024 so: - Adults £20, Couples £40, Junior £7.50, Whole Family £50, Guests a one off annual fee of £20. Replacement keys will be £5 despite the cost of the extra padlock keys now being greater than £5 as it would be far easier for administration purposes.			
7.	Sally reported that she had recently updated the website for changes in the membership and the current membership is now standing at some 43 member units (so probably about 69 individual players). That is down by about 20 from the level last year. This was not currently a problem financially, but it was of concern for the future. It was suggested that efforts could be made to encourage people, (particularly those new to the village, and younger age groups) to “try before they buy”. This could be tried next spring, with details published on the village facebook page. Jeff will also ask if Ru Jones is going to set up a village Insta group.			JK JK
8.	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.			