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**BIDEFORD BOWLING CLUB**

**Chingswell Street, Bideford EX39 2NG**

**President: Paul Debnam**

**Minutes of the General Purposes Committee held on Friday 25 November 2022.**

1. Members Attending P Debnam, E Blight, N Fowler, B Hughes, A Weston, M Blight
2. Apologies M Braunton, B Capps-Jenner, R Ellis, C Headon, M Headon, C Rockey,

J Rockey

1. Obituaries Keith Dunn who had been a member until 2021.
2. Minutes The minutes of the last meeting held on Friday 28 October 2022 having been

circulated were reviewed and accepted. Proposed by Nicky Fowler and seconded by Liz Blight. Carried.

1. Matters arising Nothing that would not appear in any report.
2. Correspondence Michael Beadle would not be rejoining next season as Rebecca was still in a

poor state of health. Michael had written to them both with our best wishes.

1. Treasurer Liz provided a statement of our current financial position:

* Current Account is £35,188. (This is c£33,568 nett of 2023 Tour deposits)
* Barry Dymond Account balance is £1,071.
* Liz handed out a copy of the Audited Accounts to all present which showed a small profit of £686 for the year ended 30 September 2022.
  + Any comparison with the 2021 accounts would be distorted by the effect of the pandemic.
  + She reiterated that good house-keeping, especially in the use of electric, gas and water, would be vital in the coming season.
  + Bank charges (Standing Charge + payment for each cheque cashed +%age of cash deposited) are increasing and would probably be in the order of £300 this financial year. Payment by bank transfer is preferred as there are no charges for paying this way.

1. Match Organizer Barrie confirmed that Chasewater were now booked in for next season

Barrie would forward the current draft Fixture List to Paul so that this could be put on the Club Web Site. This list would be continuously updated.

1. G&E A few issues with our Facebook page where unsolicited advertising appeared –

these have been taken down.

The GP Committee present were not in favour of a Club Whatsapp group for reasons of lack of control of content and use.

1. Membership No applications received.
2. Trustees Michael updated the Committee on the current position.
3. AGM The AGM Notice had been sent to all members either by email or post. It was

noted that there were no nominations for Ladies Captain, Men’s and Ladies Delegates and House Committee. Other Committees were short of numbers as well.

Michael would explain the current position regarding the Trust Documentation and Trustees at the AGM.

1. AOB Preliminary research found no grants available to clubs for the installation of

solar panels. Roof area could be leased out but legal issues would ensue and the financial return would be limited. Investigation proved that the roof slope was OK but the building orientation would mean that any installation would only be 75-80% efficient.

As there was no further business the meeting closed at 10.45am.

**The next GP Committee meeting will be on Friday 20 January 2023 at 10.00am.**

Signed............................................................... Date...............................