

Minutes
For the Extraordinary Committee Meeting
For Sellindge Bowls Club
Held at the Sellindge Bowls pavilion
On Monday 9th August

Committee present

Tony Excell Teresa Oliver-Jones Lawrence Harvey Christina Sandy Kevin Gipson, Pat Harvey
Denise Hanson Kevin Gipson Ros Sawyers

Guest Gary Fagg

Apologies.

John Collins Malcolm Cage

Purpose of Meeting to discuss possible ways of raising funds for New Club house or ways of improving existing one.

Lawrence Harvey was asked to stand in as chairman in the absence of John Collins

Gary Fagg (who is highly experienced at fundraising and has an MBE for his works in setting up The Paula Carr Trust.) has offered to help and advise the club on the following:-

- 1) Short term -Building needs major repairs and more funds to keep the club running.
- 2) Long term – A new clubhouse to enable a more secure future with ability to provide more amenities and facilities ie. Winter funding such as short mat, darts, catering for larger events which generate more income.

Topics that were discussed:-

Quinn Estates, being the housing developers that are building in our area. Maybe approaching them for a grant.

Extending our lease, essential for when applying for grants to show we have a few years ahead of us.

Talking to the social club committee and negotiating a better deal for our situation re enabling us to raise funds through a bar, particularly if a new clubhouse were to be possible. Suggesting that we maybe purchase our alcohol supply through the social club, resulting in a win-win situation for the SC and us. The security a new clubhouse would provide would erase the problems we have at present with an unsecure building.

Enquiring as to whether we could utilise land on the side within our boundaries.

Kent Community Funding. Nicola File, re trusts offering money.

Gary will follow up this meeting with copies of examples he has had success with, with fundraising issues.

This meeting to be followed up with a meet between ourselves to decide the way forward, to include JC and discuss what has been put forward.

Suggestions made

- 1) Arrange a meet with Quinn Developers. (Gary will accompany us if we wish)
- 2) Laurence to attend a committee meeting with the Social Club
- 3) Arrange a contact meet with Nicola File

Lawrence Harvey
Acting Chairman