

**Staffing**

Ciaran Killeen, who has worked as a green-keeper in Howth Golf Club was interviewed and has been appointed as a replacement to bring the staff complement back to six. He is due to begin next week.

**Catering**

Detailed discussions with Peter McEvoy and his daughter Jenny, of Blazing Kitchens had concluded and the Hon. Secretary proposed that we take them on as catering Franchisee for 2023. A contract with them had been circulated to the meeting. Council decided to give the go ahead for the new franchise for one year.

Menus and prices are also being finalised and the council thanked Oliver Mueller for his contribution to the discussions.

Because of the uncertainty with catering since the end of November, it was agreed to allow any members who had not spent last year's levy, to carry this forward to this year. This included any members who might cease their membership

**Golf**

Ladies Pink day was to be on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July

Society dates were being finalised. There were still dates available on Wednesdays and Fridays with limited availability on Saturday's. At present one society was booked in each of the months from May to September with none in August.

**Course**

As a matter of urgency can these issue be expedited by Council. There was much discussion on this and the treasurer wished to look at the cash flow for the rest of the year before committing to all these projects.

Our Course Superintendent had requested that we purchase an over seeding attachment for our mowers. This will be used on greens and tees to help improve the mixture of grasses and quality of the greens. This attachment can be attached to all our mowers. It was agreed by Council that this would be purchased as it was vital to keep our greens and tees in good condition.

Hollow coring of our greens will be carried out on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February and Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> March weather permitting. This notification will be included in a communication being issued shortly to members by the Club Secretary.

## **Misc.**

A review of the Health and Safety Statement of the club and updated Risk Assessments would be carried out.

The Hon. Secretary had signed the Child Safeguarding Statement and this was noted by Council.

The Hon. Secretary requested that if there were any issues with staff, these should be reported to him.

## **Emergency Meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> January**

### **New Member on Council**

Due to Gerry Cullen's illness, which was likely to be long-term there was a need to co-opt new member onto council. The council wished him the best in his recovery. Evelyn Clinton was proposed to fill the role left vacant was proposed by the Hon. Secretary and seconded by the Lady Captain. This was agreed by Council.

### **As a result of Kitchen Fire on 21<sup>st</sup> January the council agreed the following.**

Confirmed the appointment made by Hon Secretary of Loss Adjustor Trevor Kelly

Confirmed the appointment made by Hon. Secretary of Cleaning Company, Restore Manage Consult. They are starting work on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> for at least 4 days.

The Hon Secretary was given the go ahead for appointment of Project Safety Supervisor as well as for the appointment of Asbestos surveyor.

The Council gave the go ahead for decisions of the Loss Adjuster re quotes on Kitchen stripping, and rebuilding in consultation with the Hon. Secretary.

A decision was made to reopen the bar as soon as cleaning was completed and alarm was in full working order. Initially al we provide would be drink as well as tea and scones. Clair Doherty would continue to employed for this purpose.

It was agreed that an email be sent to members to inform them of the accidental nature of the fire and to give and them an update on the progress to date and expected timeframe for various works.

The council decided that there was no cause to repudiate the contract with Peter McEvoy and would do work to have him back in operation as soon as possible.

As Peter McEvoy would continue as franchisee he would advise on the kitchen refit in consultation with Oliver Meuller and others who had expertise in this area. The loss adjuster would also have an input and the final decisions would be made by the Council.

With the loss of the kitchen, and Peter McEvoy being involved in mobile catering it was decided to approach him to discuss the possibility of supplying catering from mobile kitchen unit placed on the premises. The Hon. Secretary would initiate discussions to see if this was feasible.

Invoices for annual subscriptions were due to be issued this week but will now be issued next week. It was agreed by council to keep the catering levy on the invoice. However, this decision would be reviewed later in the year and partial or full refunds could be issued if there was a prolonged period without catering being available to members.