

# Middlesex Golf Minutes of Board Meeting

### **Held at Stanmore GC**

# 7pm, Tuesday 8th July 2025

**In attendance:** David Niccol – Chair (DN), Di Rowlands – President (DR), Hasmukh Pattni (HP) Anne Koychev (AK), Ruth Holmes (RH), Robbie Martin (RM), Lee Patterson (LP), Ketan Raja (KR). Des Cassidy (DC)

# 1) Apologies for absence

None

# 2) Minutes & Matters Arising

DN financial policy was noted as circulated. An awards sub committee has not yet been formed, County Secretary to invite a volunteer to take on the role.

# 3) Chairman's Report

DN offered his thanks to the Board for their continued commitment. Disciplinary matters at the County Championship and County Match Week were discussed at length. The Secretary's performance review was discussed.

### 4) Finance Director

HP reported a satisfactory situation regarding County finances. The transfer of Finance Directors is now completed.

### 5) Secretary's Report

LP reported that a satisfactory meeting was held with London Airlinks, their grant process is being reviewed and a County Card discount scheme has been agreed for driving range use. We are still awaiting release of a digital County card from Golf Genius.

### 6) Teams & Coaching

LP reported the review of the County Coaching contract has been completed, Martin Robinson PGA has accepted the position as County Coach, starting October 2025. A plan for the coming year will be distributed once completed.

# 7) Tournament and Rules

KR indicated he was happy with how the current seasons Tournaments have progressed and said they are under constant review. Middlesex referees have hosted two practical rules sessions. Both have been successful and more of these events will be scheduled.

**ACTION** 

LP

RM voiced concerns that a small minority of Clubs are not respecting their terms of affiliation by inviting Middlesex to use their facilities on a regular basis.

### **ACTION**

# 8) England Golf

England Golf have recruited a new personality in their Finance Department, her role will be to audit Club affiliations. Clubs will be selected at random.

# 9) **Development**

RH reported the Family and Friends Fun Day was in danger of being cancelled due to lack of support.

The Development Steering Group is meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> August. The fifth Women in Golf Forum is scheduled for 4<sup>th</sup> November at Pinner Hill Golf Club. Middlesex will be investigating the introduction of mental health first aiders with the help of Bedfordshire County Secretary, David Hawkins.

The group were requested to refer candidates for the England Golf leadership programme to the Development Steering Group.

# 10) AOB & Date of next meeting

DR reported that some of the Junior Girls Team were not submitting enough competition score cards. RM is aware of the situation and has it under review.

AK indicated that England Golf had updated safe guarding policies, County versions are/have been updated. Clubs are to be encouraged to follow suit.

AK asked that the role of Referees be clearly defined and that competitors are made aware of Referees roles at Middlesex tournaments

**Board Meeting** 7<sup>th</sup> October, 2025 at 7.00pm. Venue Stanmore Golf Club **AGM** 3<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at 7.00pm. Venue tbc

**General Meetings** –  $6^{th}$  November &  $10^{th}$  November. Venues Wyke Green & North Middlesex GC's

DC/AK

RM/KR