

# **Tees Valley Target Sports Club – Executive Summary of the Meeting – 1 August 2023**

## **1. Attendance**

Richard Frankland (Chair) – RF, Pete Costello (Treasurer) – PC, Ken Hart (Secretary) – KH, Phil Hughes – PH, Barry King – BK, Tony Curry – TC, Les Cook – LC, David Pengilly – DP, Clare Pinnegar - CP  
Peter Nicol (Note taker)

## **2. Apologies**

Barry Grimwood, Mark Grimwood, Julian Sorrell, Ron Benson

## **3. Minutes of the Meeting of 11<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

**3.1** Previous meeting minutes moved as correct by LC, seconded by TC and signed off as a true record. On a point of accuracy at 10.4 should read 12 bore slugs, NOT 38 slugs.

## **4. Matters arising (not on the agenda)**

**4.1** KH to address outstanding action to canvas club members regarding having Open Days at Catterick, Lawson Way and Moorsholm via email and WhatsApp assisted by PC and BK as necessary. **Agreed** KH/PC to work on feasibility/interest in Open Days.

**4.2** The proposal to invite the Mayor to Lawson Way be put on hold until TC has organised repainting of the floors in the entrance, storeroom and office.

**4.3** PC has completed and returned forms to Barclays Bank regarding a community account.

**4.4** PC has updated the Club website to give details as to how to contact the Club Secretary.

**4.5** PC to establish if existing RCO's would be interested in doing a course to become muzzle loader qualified. PC

**4.6** There has not been a clay pigeon shoot at Moorsholm since the last Committee meeting, so DP has been unable to verify that there is no fall of shot affecting the bridleway. **Agreed** DP to make a check at the next

Club clay pigeon shoot at Moorsholm and to arrange for the warning sign to be affixed to the gate on the bridleway.

**4.7** PC reported that there were 7 applicants for the First Aid course to be held on 2<sup>nd</sup> September. Five more places available.

**4.8** PC reported that there were now two functioning kettles in the kitchen.

**4.9** The office was tidied up as part of the last general Lawson Way tidy-up on 29<sup>th</sup> July.

## **5. Secretary's report**

**5.1** On behalf of the Committee, KH welcomed Clare Pinnegar as a co-opted committee member for the specific role of representing Sports Club members.

**5.2** KH explained that he had asked Roger Johnson to add the list of RCOs to the Electronic Shooting Record system and to see if it can be expanded to record members with First Aid qualification and those members registered for Gift Aid. The latter may assist Peter Metcalfe and enable claims to be made to HM Inland Revenue on a quarterly basis. **Noted.**

**5.3** Discussions had taken place with the Saturday morning and Monday evening air rifle shooters and it had been agreed that Steve Nicholson and TC will provide RCO training to them on Tuesday and Friday evenings in 'B'Range with a view to their sessions becoming self-supporting from a supervision point of view. **Noted.**

**5.4** KH and TC met with the air rifle shooters on Saturday morning the 29<sup>th</sup> July regarding safety concerns in regard to benches and targetry. The shooters: -

- Accept they cannot shoot without supervision
- Cannot make their own targets
- Targets need to be approved by TC
- Accept that safety is paramount
- That to address the current lack of qualified supervision, for the next four weeks, the shooters will attend Lawson Way on Tuesday and Friday evenings for training as RCO's.
- Accepted the need to follow NRSA guidelines for safety and insurance reasons. **Noted.**

## **Correspondence**

1. KH reported the Valuation Office had acknowledged receipt of the completed rating valuation form submitted by KH.
2. Geoff Bell has planned a Practical Shooting Competition at Moorsholm on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August. PC to provide details on the Club's WhatsApp.
3. Regarding the Government's Firearms Licensing Consultation document, a reply has been prepared and PC is to send on behalf of the Club taking into account RF's amendments.
4. KH had received a letter from the Muzzle Loaders Association regarding changes in logging in arrangements.
5. KH had received an email from the National Target Sports Association requesting TVTSC details for inclusion in their website KH has replied.

**All noted.**

## **6. Membership Secretary's Report**

**6.1** Two membership applications were circulated by BK as follows: -

### **Full Membership Application from Probationer**

Joshua Samuel Cage - Approved

### **Firearm Membership Fresh Application**

John Paul Mack - Approved

## **7. Treasurer's Report**

**7.1** PC provided documentary evidence of the following data:

Account status and income

No.2 Account £5,404.48 General Reserve £23,606.68

Previous month

£5,985.97 £23,606.68

Land & Buildings £34,000.00

£34,000.00 £174.33

£895

Subs Holdings Tags £895 **8.2** Expenditure

£164.33

Council Rent

ACASC

B & Q Timber

Gun Safe

Timber (Julian) Moorsholm Water Charges

Postal Service Council Rates

£562.44 £195.00 £85.00 £409.50

£90.32 £22.00 £40.00

£29.00

**7.2** PC has received an electricity invoice for £3,944.16 from SSE. This works out at approximately £328 per week. PC would have expected an invoice for circa £1,300 - £1,400, especially as it is a Smart Meter. PC querying with SSE. **Noted.**

## **8 Lawson Way Range Report**

**8.1** TC reported that an external drain was blocked serving the kitchen. It is believed to be silted up. TC to clear. **Noted.**

**8.2** PC reported a wasp's nest in the office area. PC/TC to investigate with a view to removing. **Noted.**

## **9 Moorsholm Range Report**

**9.1** TC planning to use the railway sleepers for bank stabilising works during the third week of August. This will require the use of machinery and liaison with the farmer. TC/LC to co-ordinate an approach to Mr Liddle. **Noted.**

**9.2** PC reported that large unauthorised slugs were being used as evidenced by the damage to targets. Camera footage had been reviewed but the offending shooter had not been identified. **Agreed** PC to arrange the installation of another camera. (One has been donated to the Club by an air rifle shooter.)

**9.3** PC reported some of the wooden boards at the Fring Point are rotten and flexing. PC to provide measurements for replacement boards to TC for TC to acquire replacements. **Noted.**

**9.4** Next clay pigeon shoot arranged for August. Details to be provided by LC to PC for inclusion on the Club's WhatsApp site. **Noted.**

## **10 Any other Business**

**10.1** DP reported that Ryedale Auctions were selling two trailers which maybe suitable for transporting clay traps. Committee to decide on possible at a future meeting when details of storage are clarified.

**10.2** KH had noted that Lawson Way usage on Mondays and Wednesdays is very low. KH suggested that an approach is made to other clubs to see if they would be interested in using Lawson Way facilities for one of the evenings, with a suggested charge of £5 per person per session. Any shared use would need a check on the other club's insurance.

It was noted that: -

- Lower usage was a seasonal phenomenon.
- The extractor fans were the biggest users of electricity
- There could be CASC implications to shared use

**Agreed** KH to ask Roger Johnson to run off details of usage at Lawson Way on Mondays and Wednesdays. PC to provide details of electricity consumption from meter readings. KH to establish any CASC implications from shared use and report back.

## **Date of next Meeting**

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2023.