



News From the Board

Introduction

The Board agreed at the AGM to re-introduce the communication of major agenda items, decisions and activities to Members. I intend to send out a summary communication monthly.

Penn Golf Club Board Meeting 27th January 2026

Finance

For the 9 months to the end of December, the Club was running at a small loss, which is pretty much where we expected to be per the budget.

At the meeting, the Board approved the budget for the forthcoming 2026/27 season. The Club is again forecasting a loss and finances will remain tight, unless we can all attract new members, additional visitors, this must remain a key focus for the Board, sub committees and current members going forward.

Greens

A key focus for the Board is on cash flow, which is critical to the Club, but in December it was agreed we could afford to support Dave Healy's wish for a Rough Mower, which is already making a valuable contribution to the "look" of the course. The purchase of a second-hand greens iron will be confirmed subject to a successful inspection as well as the purchase of a tractor mounted rake. These two purchases are possible as Dave has been able to sell some unwanted equipment.

Business Development

The subcommittee is continually looking at ways to enhance our presence through Social Media and Instagram. The website is also being developed further.

The Project Club has nearly 180 members; it would be great to see this number increased to over 200 before the next draw.

Competitions

Work continues to transfer the competition process to the Competition and Handicap Committee. The Board approved the purchase of 2 score card label printers for the new season.

Chairmans Notes

We will all need to work hard in the first quarter of 2026 for our financial position not to worsen, as traditionally this is the worst period for us in terms of income generation, due to shorter days and weather driven course conditions and clubhouse closures.

As a reminder when the course is closed, the Bar remains open on Tuesdays and Sundays.

Further capital expenditure has been approved to include CCTV coverage for the Club house, both externally and internally.

With regard to the Tee booking system commencing in April 2026, a booking guideline document will be published in March.

The discussions re the future structure of the Club have been deferred until May/June pending a further financial review.

Regards

Ian Foster

Chairman of the Board, Penn Golf Club