

Green meeting Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020

The management committee held a virtual meeting today to discuss the opening of the Green.

Present: Dave Brown, Geoff Cook, Ron Bennett, Peter Wilby, Shelagh Wilby, Albert Twells, Colin Williams, Roy Pearson, Mick Coham, Pauline Stanley and George Stanley Apologies: Elizabeth Dack

The Chairman opened the meeting by thanking all those present for taking part.

There was approx. a 2-hour discussion on the why for and why not for the Bowls Green to be open for play.

Bowls England has sent out guidance for the resumption of Lawn Clubs. The full text is available via [BowlsEngland.com](https://BowlsEngland.com) or our website [wivenhoebowls.club](https://wivenhoebowls.club)

We, the Management Committee, then discussed the guidance and have proposed the following:

The Clubhouse will not be open. This includes the changing rooms and toilets.

### **Playing arrangements**

Rink allocation will be via an off-site, anytime, online booking system or by telephone booking between 7-8pm each evening. This will be run by Peter Wilby. Invitations to register for the online booking service will be sent out soon along with timings

Read the board on entering the green regarding which rink to use. This will also be on the email you receive when booking.

Also read anything else that might be on the board.

Play will only be on 3 rinks with a rink gap between each

Scoreboards, bowls pushers, ditch markers, 2m distance sticks and chalk not to be used at this time

There will be two jacks, one either end, for use. It is advisable that only one player should handle the mat and jack during the session - gloves will be available

After the game remember to clean the jacks and mats but, remember, DO NOT use Bleach, before or after, as this is detrimental to the green.

No SPECTATORS or visitors. Only the 6 players, per session, who are due to play, can attend the ground.

On entering the car park please stay in your car until your playing time is due.

On entering the ground sanitiser will be available. It would be advisable to bring your own sanitiser and a towel as well.

## **Playing Formats**

The following playing formats are in accordance with Government guidelines:

- Individuals playing bowls on their own on a single rink
- Two individuals from two different households playing on a single rink (no marker)
- Members of the same household on a single rink (no marker unless from same household)

Social distancing rules must be strictly adhered to; you must remain at least two metres apart from other bowlers (who are not part of your household) at all times.

## **Other**

### **Government Advice**

Clinically vulnerable people (such as people aged 70 and over)

The [advice for clinically vulnerable groups](#) remains the same. If you are in this group you are advised to stay at home as much as possible and, if you do go out, take particular care to minimise contact with others outside your household.

If you are living in a household with a possible COVID-19 infection or if you are classified as extremely vulnerable on health grounds, the [guidance](#) is that you should remain at and exercise at home

Mick Coham and Albert Twells will remove the sanitisers from the club and put them outside. Also one of the clocks in the Clubhouse could be fitted outside nearer the start date.

Please use your common sense at all times

It was then proposed that the green be open from Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2020 and carried.