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Dear Residents

Port St Mary Golf Course

Further to the consultation document recently circulated by Port St Mary Commissioners, the Golf Club believe it would be useful to inform you of how the Club has operated since we took over the responsibility for all costs of the development and maintenance of the golf course. We would also like to emphasise that we are committed to the future of the golf course and are seeking to renew our lease with Port St Mary Commissioners. It should be noted that the Golf Club lease is only for the course and does not include the Port St Mary Golf Pavilion.

- There has been a golf course in Port St Mary since 1903. The current golf course, which is owned by Port St Mary Commissioners, was opened in 1936. Port St Mary Golf Club remains one of the most accessible golf clubs on the island catering for golfers of all ages, abilities and backgrounds. The Club welcomes both local residents and visitors to the island to play golf. The Golf Club provides professional coaching to juniors and beginners, working with local schools and offering junior memberships.

- Since the Club took responsibility for the course maintenance, in 2009, maintenance costs of around £600,000 have been met entirely by green fees and a huge commitment from members volunteering to maintain the course. According to the last 11 years of published accounts for Port St Mary Commissioners the golf course has cost the rate payers of Port St Mary an average of £3,757 per year.

- Our members play in the region of 7000 rounds of golf on the course annually. The course also attracts about 1300 visiting golfers into the village each year, bringing income to the golf club, the Golf Pavilion, and many local businesses.

- The Golf Club also supports local charities, such as the RNLI, Southern Befrienders, IOM Hospice and MSPCA by holding fund-raising events which allowed the club to donate over £2,100 to charity in the 20/21 season.

The Golf Club are committed to continue to provide recreational and competitive golf for all and to further improve the course and facilities, of what is seen as one of the most spectacular golf courses in the Isle of Man. If you would like to know more or have any questions, please email the Club via the above noted email and one of the Golf Club Committee will contact you.

We would like to encourage you to complete and return the consultation document and make your opinion count towards the future of the golf course.

Many thanks

Port St Mary Golf Club