

# Greens Advisory Committee – Terms of Reference

### **Advisory Committee Objective:**

The objective of the Bowls Victoria Greens Advisory Committee is to provide advice to Bowls Victoria, Clubs and Regions in relation to greens in BV affiliated clubs.

## **Membership of the Greens Advisory Committee:**

- The BV Greens Committee shall consist of selected people as listed on the BV website
  who will form the panel of experienced personnel charged with giving free advice to BV,
  Clubs and Regions.
- The Chair of the Advisory Committee shall be appointed by Bowls Victoria and called upon as required.

## **Responsibilities of the Greens Committee:**

- Provide technical advice, where needed, to Clubs and Regions on matters associated with greens.
- Provide advice to assist with the handling of complaints by Clubs regarding an unsatisfactory state of a synthetic or natural grass green.
- Provide a contact point for Clubs seeking knowledge regarding greens.
- Provide advice to BV as required and when significant changes to greens management occurs
- Continually liaise with the VGA (Victorian Greenskeepers Association) and keep up to date with any new information relating to Greens.

#### **Operating Principles:**

- The Greens Advisory Committee are not required to meet or travel to do inspections, they focus on providing the right advice to a club.
- If any meetings are required, they are conducted online given the significant travel for some personnel.

- To ensure that the Greens Advisory Committee has the best interests of all bowlers in mind when making decisions or recommendations, the committee should not be influenced or biased by personal involvement.
- The Greens Advisory Committee will adhere to all relevant BV policies (e.g. Social Media etc)
- Where a club has an issue with a synthetic green, and it is referred to Bowls Victoria
  - They will speak to one of the Greens Advisory Committee who will talk them through the best course of action, including to contact the installer.
- Where a club has an issue with a natural turf (grass) green, and it is referred to Bowls Victoria
  - They will speak to one of the Greens Advisory Committee who will talk them through the best course of action, including:
    - 1. contact their greenkeeper (in the first instance);
    - 2. contact a nearby greenkeeper of good reputation to provide a second opinion; or
    - 3. contact the Victorian Greenkeepers Association.

#### **Major Interactions**

- Events and Competitions Manager
- Chief Executive Officer

## **History & Version Control**

The Participation Advisory Committee Terms of Reference will be reviewed every two years.

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2.0	Events and Competitions Manager	16 Feb 2023	CEO	23 Feb 2023