

## **Meeting with Paul Emmanuel of Aitkens Sportsturf 02/02/24**

Present: Paul Emmanuel, Peter Hicks, Derek Wilkson and Ivan Ravilious

Apologies: Peter Syson

Generally the green is in a much better state than this time last year. The level of moss is much reduced and is mostly fern and feather which will disappear once the level of sunlight increases. PE is happy with the thickness of the grass but reinforced the need to cut regularly (suggested once a week at this time) to a level of 6mm. DW to check the mower and confirm or adjust as necessary.

PE suggested that we verticut the green to +3 in a good week in February, one or two weeks after application of TX 6-6-10 (2 bags required).

Regarding application of Moscure to address the moss in the top ¼ of the green, PE has subsequently supplied 5 ltrs of Moscure FOC as one of our containers appears to have either gone off or been the wrong thing. He suggests applying this over the whole green as soon as conditions allow.

The area under the trees with the most moss requires verticut to -2, seed and dressing – PE suggests that this is done at the end of March.

The top/bottom of the green (where grass is poor) requires treatment with TX Humas (?) (1 bag required) once the grass is growing actively.

Application of Rocastem/Reflex Iron-K to commence soon.

Thorough cleaning of the filters and pump of the sprayer is critical to its operation. PE recommended use of a tank cleaner (1 bottle required).

PE to issue a new schedule for 2024.

PE advised that the depth of aeration required does not require a vertidrain every year if we can sometimes aerate to a lower depth instead.

Peter Hicks

Order required:

2 bags of Nutri Pro 6-6-10

5 ltrs Moscure – already supplied FOC

1 bag TX Humas (?)

10 bags of top dressing

Ultimax 10.0.10 (sufficient to apply 30 gsm in April)

2 bags of Soilfix Mg+

1 bottle of tank cleaner