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UPDATE ON THE REDEVELOPMENT OF THE BUKIT FREEHOLD LAND

In the Message to Members dated 6 February 2020, we updated that the Labour Movement (“LM”) informed SICC that they were looking for a collaborative approach to jointly manage the Sime Public Golf Course. The Club will engage an independent financial advisor to study the feasibility of managing a public course, and advise the stakeholders accordingly of the proposed collaboration with LM.

As the Club studies and explores the proposed collaboration with LM, it was prudent for us then to defer the construction of the new Clubhouse on the Bukit Freehold Land (“BFL”) which was scheduled to begin in February 2020. This is because the facilities we build in the new BFL Clubhouse will depend on whether we continue managing the old Clubhouse or not.

The recent LM’s proposal requires us to review some aspects of the new Clubhouse design and the facilities to be provided. In the event that SICC is agreeable to managing the public golf course including the existing Clubhouse, we may not need the new Clubhouse to be built according to the original specifications. This is to avoid excessive duplication and overcapacity of our facilities. The Planning & Redevelopment Committee 2 (PRC2) has worked on a revised plan for BFL accordingly.

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In the meantime, even as we continue to engage the LM on its proposal, the PRC2 is carrying out all preparatory works, including the demolition of the existing Bukit Freehold Clubhouse. The outcome of the collaborative approach with LM should be finalised by Q2 2020, which will be in time for the BFL project to commence, either on the original plan or the revised plan. Do join us on 17 April 2020 at 1pm for the ground-breaking event of the BFL.

Whatever the final specifications of the new clubhouse, we are committed to completing it by end 2021.

We will continue to provide progressive updates to members. We plan to hold an EGM in Q2 2020 to obtain members' final approval, if the Club intends to proceed with the proposed collaboration with LM.

Meanwhile, we seek your patience and understanding as we work towards what we hope will be a win-win situation for all parties involved.

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