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**CIRCULAR TO MEMBERS**

12 January 2021

Dear Members,

**EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING ON FRIDAY, 29 JANUARY 2021 at 6.30pm**

The President and General Committee are pleased to invite all Members to attend the Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) on **Friday, 29 January 2021 at 6.30pm**. The EGM will be held through electronic means.

A copy of the Notice for the meeting is attached to this circular.

As mentioned in President's First Words dated 24 December 2020, PRC 2 has worked over the last three years on the final plans for the redevelopment of the new Clubhouse at the Bukit Freehold Land. A tender was called and the cost of the project has increased.

The General Committee is therefore calling for the EGM to seek Members' approval for the additional budget and for the changes made to the design. The additional costs comprise the following:-

**1. COVID-19 Provisions (\$3.11m)**

- a) Cost escalation due to loss of productivity (shortage of workers)
- b) Construction of workers' quarters
- c) Salary of Safe Management Officer and Safe Distancing Officer
- d) Other COVID-Safe Worksite requirements (temporary screening facilities, contact tracing and safe distancing measures)

*\*Swab test costs for construction site personnel are funded by the government up to 31 March 2021. The cost estimates do not include swab tests for workers after March 2021, assuming the tests are not required then.*

**2. Bored Piling Requirement (\$2.830m)**

Our original design envisaged using RC (reinforced concrete) driven piles for the building. The latest design requires bored piles because of changes to the design of the building to accommodate a bigger basement area for additional covered carpark space and other facilities. The bored piling method generates less noise, vibration and movement to the surrounding structures.

**3. Design Enhancement (\$5.844m)**

- a) Enhanced design of the swimming pool deck for lush planting and various types of swimming pools for all age groups.
- b) 1<sup>st</sup> storey Carpark expanded for:
  - I. Provision of more covered carpark lots.
  - II. Shifting of club rooms to carpark level for more privacy and bringing courtyard down to bring natural light to the clubroom and carpark.

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- c) Improvement of arrival experience with a separate slip road and entrance to allow a different access for golfers and multipurpose hall users.
- d) Diversion of Sime Road which is encroaching into the Freehold Land.
- e) Changed two lifts to glass lifts at the courtyard as part of enhancement of the arrival experience.
- f) MINGLE@Bukit: Various rooms (boardrooms, co-working and theatre) were integrated with the corridors into an air-conditioned open plan space for a more flexible and efficient layout.
- g) Provision of Jumbo Doubles size Squash Court and bigger viewing gallery requested by T&S Committee.
- h) Provisions of dedicated changing rooms and larger area for the gym.
- i) Inclusion of Theme restaurant and enlargement of Club bar (additional 994m<sup>2</sup> of gross floor area).
- j) Inclusion of hot and cold pools at golf changing rooms.
- k) Additional buggy parking spaces
- l) Water monitoring system for tennis courts
- m) Golf simulator
- n) The total gross floor area of the clubhouse has increased from 7,631 to 8,625 m<sup>2</sup>.

These enhancements will make the clubhouse a more attractive place for Members to relax and enjoy. It is also a redevelopment for the future as the increased floor area will enable us to plan for future activities in response to Members' changing needs.

#### 4. Update of Authority's Requirement (\$0.30 million)

There is an updated authority's requirement on Sewerage and Sanitary Works (COPSSW) that took effect on 1 July 2019 after the April 2019 EGM. The new requirements mandated a change in the specifications of the piping and waste sump that increased expenses.

The total additional costs of these items is S\$12.082m bringing the total estimated cost of the project to S\$66.432m.

#### **Documents for the Extraordinary General Meeting**

This Circular to Members is accompanied by the following documents:-

- (i) Notice of Extraordinary General Meeting dated 12 January 2021; and
- (ii) The Proxy Form.

(collectively known as "these documents").

These documents have been made available on the Club's notice boards and website (<https://gis.sicc.org.sg/>).

#### **Registration for the Extraordinary General Meeting**

A member will not be able to attend the Extraordinary General Meeting in person.

Pursuant to the COVID-19 (Temporary Measures) (Alternative Arrangements for Meetings for Registered Societies) Order 2020 ("the Order"), a Member may only attend the Extraordinary General Meeting by observing and listening to the proceedings of the meetings through electronic means. However, during the live stream of the proceedings, a chat function will be enabled to allow members to ask questions.

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**Only Ordinary Members, Honorary Members and nominees of Corporate Members will be admitted to the meeting.**

A member who wishes to attend the Extraordinary General Meeting MUST pre-register their attendance by **6.30pm on Friday, 29 January 2021**.

To pre-register your attendance, members are invited to access the SICC website for the Extraordinary General Meeting Registration:-

1. URL: <https://gis.sicc.org.sg>
2. Login with your member username and password
3. Click on the Extraordinary General Meeting Pre-Registration
4. Your registration will be verified and you will thereafter receive two emails. One email will provide you with the link to vote for the Extraordinary General Meeting through the proxy form. The second email will provide you with the link to view the live stream of the Extraordinary General Meeting.

Any member who encounters a technical difficulty or who requires assistance with registering their respective accounts can call the Club at 64318255 (hotline number) or email to the following address: [it\\_dept@sicc.org.sg](mailto:it_dept@sicc.org.sg).

#### **SUBMISSION OF QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS**

A member who wishes to raise any matter or question will have to submit them to the General Manager through:-

- (i) the SICC website during registration (using your account); or
- (ii) post the question to the Club to:-  
The General Manager  
The Singapore Island Country Club  
180 Island Club Road  
Singapore 578774; or
- (iii) or email [[gm@sicc.org.sg](mailto:gm@sicc.org.sg)].

Such questions must reach the Club **by 6.00pm on Thursday, 28 January 2021**.

We will be updating the Club's website on the Frequently Asked Questions ("FAQs") progressively. As such, we ask Members to only raise questions which are not covered in the FAQs.

Only substantial and relevant matters will be addressed prior to or at the Extraordinary General Meeting itself. The responses to these matters and questions will be emailed to Members and made available through the Club's notice boards and website (<https://gis.sicc.org.sg/>).

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## VOTING OF RESOLUTION

Voting for the resolution for the Extraordinary General Meeting will be done through proxy forms. Under the proxy form, a member appoints the chairman of the meeting as his or her proxy to attend, speak and vote at the meeting.

A member may only vote by appointing the chairman of the meeting as the member's proxy to vote at the meeting by depositing with the Club an instrument of appointment (hereinafter referred to as "the proxy form") through the following means:-

- (i) Submission of the proxy form online through the email sent to you upon verification of registration;
- (ii) Posting the proxy form to the Club at  
The General Manager  
The Singapore Island Country Club  
180 Island Club Road  
Singapore 578774; and
- (iii) Emailing to the following address: [gm@sicc.org.sg](mailto:gm@sicc.org.sg).

The completed proxy form must reach the Club by **8.00pm on Friday, 29 January 2021** the day of the Extraordinary General Meeting. In appointing the chairman of the meeting as a proxy, a member must give specific instructions with regard to voting, or abstentions from voting, in the form of proxy, failing which the appointment may be treated as invalid.

Counting of the votes through the proxy form will be conducted thereafter. The counting of the votes will be witnessed by members of the Club's Audit Committee.

The results of the votes will be announced subsequently through a notice on the Club's notice boards.

## ATTENDANCE AT THE EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING

As mentioned earlier, the Extraordinary General Meeting will be held electronically.

On the day of the Extraordinary General Meeting, members are advised to access the unique email link sent to members through the email confirming your registration. Upon logging in, members will be directed to a virtual meeting room which will then broadcast the entire Extraordinary General Meeting proceedings.

We trust that the above sets out how the Extraordinary General Meeting will be conducted. Should you require any clarification, kindly contact me at [gm@sicc.org.sg](mailto:gm@sicc.org.sg).

Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Desmond Tay  
General Manager

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