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Re: Co Louth Golf Club Query

Padraig,

I refer to the above matter and to our phone call earlier on. I note the following.

In short, there is no difficulty with the Club holding an SGM with members taking part virtually. The rules do not preclude this. There is no law that says that it must be done physically. Naturally the Club must comply with the other provisions of the Rules such as ensuring that the meeting is quorate and that there is some mechanism of allowing members to participate and vote. These are practical rather than legal difficulties. Section 176(4) of the Companies Act 2014, which deals with companies rather than clubs, says that a virtual general meeting can be held “*at the same time using any technology that provides members, as a whole, with a reasonable opportunity to participate.*” This should be the club’s guiding principle.

Many thanks for your valued instructions.

Regards,

David Geoghegan

