



# One Governing Body



## Irish Ladies Golf Union (ILGU) & Golfing Union of Ireland (GUI)

### 21<sup>st</sup> Set of Discussions on One Governing Body for Golf in Ireland

26 September 2017

#### **Discussions Group (DG)**

Frank Bowen (FB) – Golfing Union of Ireland  
Teresa Byrne (TB) – Irish Ladies Golf Union  
Pat Finn (PF) – Golfing Union of Ireland  
Sinead Heraty (SH) – Irish Ladies Golf Union  
Brege McCarrick (BMcC) – Irish Ladies Golf Union  
Iggly O’Muircheartaigh (IOM) – Golfing Union of Ireland  
Ethel Ruddock (ER) – Irish Ladies Golf Union  
Kevin Stevens (KS) – Golfing Union of Ireland

#### **Facilitator**

Jane Williams (JW) – Sia Partners

#### **Project Manager**

Sarah Crowe (SC)

#### **GUI and ILGU Board Members Feedback on Emerging Draft (ED) Proposal**

The GUI and ILGU Board Members attended a meeting with the DG to discuss the ED Proposal for One Governing Body. There was a great level of engagement and the Board members shared views on the overall ED, including specific areas of interest such as the new OGB leading by example, Organisational Structure, National Board and Regional Executives rotations and Governance/Voting.

The DG discussed the feedback received from the individual Board members and will await official feedback from the two respective Boards, which should highlight the areas the Boards believe the DG need to revisit before producing a draft Proposal for final consideration.

#### **Communications/Information Briefing Material**

SC briefed the DG on the Communications Proposal which was circulated prior to the meeting. An update was given that approx. 49% of clubs attended either round one or two of consultation, therefore highlighting that these clubs have had some level of engagement on the topic of OGB. This is despite the fact that every club on the island of Ireland was invited to attend the second round of consultation.

There is acknowledgment that heightened engagement is required with clubs and the draft Communications Proposal was approved by the DG, pending the approval of the draft and final Proposal for OGB by the respective Boards.

#### **Omnibus for Golf**

JW received significant interest from officials and club consultation attendees in relation to the omnibus for golf. The use of an omnibus with a representative sample of people who put their names forward will prove a very useful way of gathering feedback on some of the areas that require further clarity and understanding.



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## **Sport Northern Ireland (NI) Involvement**

Sport NI have liaised with JW and KS around their involvement in a DG meeting, to review the process of how the meetings are conducted and the progress that has been made. A representative from Sport NI will attend the next DG meeting and also meet separately with JW and SC to discuss the detailed progress to date.

## Dates and venue of next DG meetings

- Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October – 2pm – 5pm – GUI Offices, Carton House
- Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December – 10am – TBC – GUI Offices, Carton House