Boat Club Capital Expenditure Plan Release Proposal Ole Tietz and Robert Manton

The boat club is requesting the timetabled release of £11,000 from our Capital Expenditure Plan. This money would go towards the purchase of two new Racing Pairs.

Following recommendations by the Coaching Staff the Boat Club Committee has voted to direct this years CEP budget towards two pairs instead of the timetabled Janousek coxed Four.

One of the Boat Club's performance focuses are the various BUSA events held throughout the year, including Head races, Sprints and the Regatta Championships. Previous results indicate that the strength of the club lies in small boat events such as singles, doubles and pairs. To build on the success of the last three seasons we want to provide our athletes with a pair of faster, stiffer boats to put us in an ideal position for coming races. The financial and non-financial commitments to rowing across the country are ever increasing, leading to ever stiffening competition.

The club aims to buy a lightweight Womens and a heavyweight Mens shell, thus providing both squads with an opportunity to contribute to the overall BUSA performance of ICBC.

The new boats would only build on the training and dedication our athletes put in, and is a critical part of racing at a domestic and international level. Below are some typical prices of pairs/doubles:

• Empacher 2-/x: £11,723.60 ex.VAT • Staempfli 2-/x: £6,165.00 ex.VAT • Hudson 2-/x: £8,338.45 ex.VAT

The boat club prefers the Staempfli option. Staempfli Racing Shells are a traditional Swiss Boat Manufacturer; Staempfli Racing Boats are of outstanding quality and are currently available at reduced price in the UK. We believe that two Staempfli pairs will enable us to race at the level we are aiming to compete.

The price for both boats would be £12,330 (ex.VAT). The boat club is requesting the full amount of £11,000 of which 20% is payable through our self generated income (£2200). The excess cost of the boat will be paid for by Sport Imperial through Head of Rowing Steve Trapmore (MBE).

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