A note for Members

**SDC Data Privacy - Members**

As you may be aware, data privacy laws were changed in May 2018 as a result of GDPR.  Indeed, you will probably have received numerous communications from companies asking for your express consent to continue to be able to process your personal data and communicate with you.  Such consent however is not required in all circumstances.  The following explains the SDC's approach to membership data.

The SDC takes the privacy of its members very seriously. To comply with GDPR, the Club relies on its legitimate interests as a charitable limited company as the legal ground for processing members' personal information / data as provided by members at the time of joining and/or upon membership renewal.  As a company, the Club has a constitutional duty to notify its members of Club meetings and share certain company information.  Further, to maximise the benefits which members receive from their membership, the trustees and officers of the SDC consider it important that members receive notifications about SDC-related activities, which in turn requires the processing of members' data.

Where an email address and/or a telephone number have been provided, these will be the main means of communication, in particular in respect of the Club's monthly bulletin, communications about general SDC business and communications on behalf of those departments closely associated to the interests which a member has identified upon joining.  However postal communications to members will still be used for AGM/EGM- related materials.  Should members not wish to receive any particular type of communication, or wish to alter the means of such communication, they should in the first instance contact the Membership Secretary to request amendment to their preferences or request opt out at any time where permitted by law.

If you require further information or have any questions as to the Club’s Privacy Policy, please contact me.

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