



## BRITISH CROWN GREEN BOWLING ASSOCIATION

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### Officer Appointments

Following the Interviews on Saturday we have pleasure in announcing the following appointments:

Chief Executive Officer	Mark Bircumshaw	<a href="mailto:ceo@bcgba.org.uk">ceo@bcgba.org.uk</a>
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After a year as Interim CEO for British Crown Green I am honoured to be asked to continue the development of the association. We now have a full team who are keen to help the existing officers and management of the association to build on the progress made during 2018.

The last 12 months has seen a lot of work in preparing the association to take on the many challenges that will enable us to move forward, however there is still a lot of work to do.

During 2018 we have been working hard to comply with the guidance being laid down in the safeguarding arena. We now have Safeguarding officers in place in the majority of clubs and we are leading the way within the bowls community. Safeguarding is an integral part of development and ensuring that we are aware of our responsibilities as a sport and a governing body.

Growing our game and ensuring that we have plans in place for Coaching, Development and Safeguarding go hand in hand and we will be working on plans to enable clubs to grow in a sustainable way for the future.

Part of this development work will be to ensure that we can finance the work of the association, this will involve looking for additional partners, sponsors and how we generate income that enables us to provide the services that the grassroots have been asking for.

To do this we need to ensure that the officer team have the tools available to them to make this happen.

We all have a part to play to ensure that this wonderful sport is available to all, that there is a future to grow and that each time we introduce a new player we enable this to happen. I look forward to working with the team to further progress the association from Club, County and National levels.

*Mark Bircumshaw*

On Behalf on BCGBA Management Committee