Incorporation FAQs

Why is it necessary for OLCGA to be Incorporated?	To provide appropriate protection for our volunteers and members (see covering letter)
How much will it cost? And what additional on-going costs will we incur?	 Approx £2-3000 in legal advice and assistance in setting up the Company Annual costs – in the order of a small annual company filing fee and potentially approx. £500 accounts examination fee
How long will it take to complete the process?	 If there is support to continue pursuing incorporation, the Executive hope to be in a position to bring new articles, rules and governance structure to the November AGM, as well as to present resolutions relating to the dissolution of OLCGA and the inception of a new Incorporated entity.
Is it possible to buy adequate Insurance to replace the need to Incorporate?	No, it's not possible to get cover for the worst-case scenarios, and Insurers are remarkably good at finding ways to not pay out on claims e.g. not conducting a risk assessment, missing a step in a process etc.
Have many other women's associations already done this?	More than 15 other women's golf associations have already incorporated, and we know Buckinghamshire is also working on becoming incorporated at this time.
Is this part of a plan to merge with other organisations eg Bucks, Berks or BB&O?	No. Currently, there are no immediate intentions to consider merging with any other organisation. However, this may be explored in future.
Will the new organisation be issuing shares?	No. The EG proposed structure is a company limited by guarantee. Each Club would be liable to pay e.g. £1 in the event of the Company being wound-up in debt. The current members would have no personal liability.
What difference will members see once OLCGA is a limited company?	The average member will not notice any change

	 Very active members who choose to attend the AGM will still be able to and will have a right to speak. As now, only the official Club Voting Member (County Delegate) will have the right to vote. The role of the Executive team will continue much as it does now.
Why are the Men not having the same conversation?	The Men's Union BB&O went through the process to become Incorporated in 2017.
Will this affect the relationship between OLCGA and the Oxfordshire Clubs?	The relationship with our Affiliated Golf Clubs will be more formalised. The positive thing is that the relationship will be virtually the same as the relationship they already have with BB&O.
Will the role of a County Delegate still be needed?	 The County Delegate will continue to be responsible for representing the members of their Club in the event of a vote at a general meeting.
Will every Exec member be/need to become a Company Director assuming there is support for this proposal?	Not necessarily. The number of Directors is a detail to be worked out. It is likely to be a subset of the Executive Team but may include someone who has valuable/appropriate skills who is not an Executive team member. This detail will need to be in the Company Articles of Association which will be drafted for approval later if there is support to proceed with Incorporation now.
How will Directors be appointed?	The precise process will be included in the future Company Articles of Association.
What will happen to the OLCGA Trophies?	Should we decide to incorporate the intention would be to transfer the assets of OLCGA, i.e. the Trophies, to the new Company.