

MINUTES FOR THE AUK BOARD MEETING HELD via TELECONFERENCE on 2 March 2020 STARTING AT 20.00.

PRESENT:

Chris Crossland ("CC") (Chairman)
John Sabine ("JS")
Graeme Provan ("GP")
Caroline Fenton (CF")
Ian Hennessey ("IH")
Rob McIvor ("RM")
John Ward ("JW")
Nigel Armstrong ("NA")

APOLOGIES:

Martin Stefan

1. Opening

The Chairman reported that due notice of the meeting had been given and that a quorum was present. Accordingly, the Chairman declared the meeting open.

2. Declarations of interest

None.

3. Business

3.1 Appointment of Events Services Director

CC referred members to the supporting statement received from Dan Smith.

JS noted that most members of the Board had met Dan at the AGM.

Following a general discussion, IT WAS RESOLVED to appoint Dan Smith as Events Services Director with immediate effect.

GP to notify Dan and register the appointment at Companies House. CC will send him the relevant Board papers.

3.2 COVID-19

CC noted that we are in the hands of the government as regards any future restrictions on travel or gatherings. GP added that we would need to keep a watching brief on government guidance and on any relevant recommendations made by Sport England or similar bodies.

It was generally agreed that, wherever possible, until there is anything that requires particular actions, it will be up to individual organisers to decide if there are particular risk factors that affect their events and to make decisions accordingly

GP will monitor any guidance received from the government or Sport England and pass on any relevant information via the AUK forum.

In circumstances where organisers are forced to cancel events, AUK will try to support organisers in postponing events to a later date. on a similar basis to the Weather Cancelled Events procedure and, in line with recent precedent, will allow events to be re-scheduled within the current season. Where this is not possible or where costs are not recoverable by organisers, AUK will consider providing financial support on a case by case basis. It should go without saying that AUK will expect organisers to do everything possible to avoid or mitigate any losses. If an event is cancelled and cannot be re-scheduled, AUK will not be collecting temporary membership fees.

CC, IH and GP were given the authority to deal with any matters arising from COVID-19 with the caveat that any decision to suspend events nationally would be referred to the full Board.

4. Closure

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 20.32.

Chair
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