

BRITISH GLIDING ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE BRITISH GLIDING ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THE 18th OF DECEMBER 2023

PRESENT Andy Perkins – Chair
Richard Brickwood
Bill Brittain
Craig Lowrie
David McGrath
George Metcalfe – Vice Chair
Matt Page
Lucy Wootton

APOLOGIES Rebecca Bryan
Nick Garland

IN ATTENDANCE Tony Smith - Treasurer and Company Secretary
Pete Stratten - Chief Executive Officer

58/23 PREVIOUS MEETING NOTES

The meeting notes of the 18th of November 2023 were approved.

59/23 COMPETITION AND AWARDS COMMITTEE

Andy Perkins noted that two individuals had stepped forward to take on the role of volunteer chair of the Competitions and Awards Committee, one of who subsequently retracted the offer. Those present agreed to appoint Jim White as the chair of the Competitions and Awards Committee with immediate effect and asked for their appreciation to be passed on.

It was noted that there have been specific concerns raised about low flying during competitions in 2022 and 2023. Those present agreed that those concerns must be addressed and that the Safety Committee and Competition Committee chairs are to be asked to review the details and their subsequent recommendations submitted to the Executive Committee during February 2024. Pete Stratten agreed to contact the two sub-committee chairs with the information.

It was agreed by those present that the Competitions and Awards Committee will be approached to review both the transparency of how competition and team selection processes are actioned and the clarity of subsequent communication to pilots.

Status: Open Action: Pete Stratten Due: February 2024

60/23 BGA STRATEGY

George Metcalfe reported that following the Executive Committee November workshop discussion re BGA strategy, he had updated the v3 strategy draft. After a brief discussion, it was agreed that George Metcalfe would recirculate the draft for final comments ahead of a proposed publication during January 2024.

Noting the role of sub-committees in informing the strategy and the importance of their work in delivering it, George Metcalfe stated his intention to engage further with sub-committee chairs on the topic of strategy delivery. Those present thanked George Metcalfe for his work to date and agreed that going forward there should be increased engagement with sub-committees by the Executive Committee. Andy Perkins noted that he will be writing to sub-committee chairs during January regarding their needs and ongoing BGA support.

Status: Open Action: George Metcalfe, Andy Perkins Due: January 2024

61/23 AGM ARRANGEMENTS

Pete Stratten spoke to previously circulated detail describing the Executive Committee post rotation required by the Articles of Association and planned actions to deliver the required processes ahead of the AGM on the 21st of February 2024. Andy Perkins agreed to be the Director signatory for the approved audited accounts. Andy Perkins agreed to further consider a potential Treasurer and Company Secretary appointment.

Status: Open Action: Pete Stratten, Andy Perkins January 2023

62/23 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

George Metcalfe noted that the first draft of the donated funds policy referred to at 53/23 is approaching completion and will be circulated for first review during January 2024.

The date of next meeting is the 22nd of January 2024.