



<b>London Football Association Limited</b>	<b>Minutes of the Annual General Meeting</b>
<b>Date:</b>	27 June 2022
<b>Venue and time:</b>	Meeting held in person at the Events Theatre, Keyworth Centre, London South Bank University, Keyworth Street, SE1 6NG 18.30 – 20.30
<b>No. of attendees</b>	34

<b>Item</b>		<b>Action</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Chairs' welcome and to confirm the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021</b>	
1.1	The AGM was opened by the London Football Association Ltd (London FA) Chair James Middlehurst (JM), who confirmed that notice had been sent to all members via email, circulated on London FA's social media channels and placed on the London FA website. JM confirmed that the required quorum for the AGM had been reached comfortably.	
1.2	A minute's silence to honour London FA colleagues who have passed away since the last annual general meeting was observed.	
1.3	Roger Fox (RF) highlighted that there was a minor error in the minutes of the London FA AGM held on 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2021. The date under point 1.3 should read November 2020, and not 2021	London FA CEO to amend
1.4	Considering this change, the minutes of the annual general meeting held on 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2021 were proposed as a true record and agreed unanimously.	Carried
<b>2</b>	<b>Featured Presentation</b>	
2.1	London FA welcomed James Barker (Strategy & Performance Manager) to the meeting. JB delivered a presentation on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An analysis of current behaviour within grassroots football</li> <li>• An update on The FA's review of the REPSECT programme</li> </ul>	Slides to be circulated alongside the minutes of the meeting
2.2	Members raised several comments and queries, to include:	
2.2.1	• Timings for the RESPECT review. JB explained that a number of shorter-term actions would be rolled out this season (2022-23) but the longer-term interventions would be introduced for the 2023-24 season	
2.2.2	• Does this behaviour reflect issues in wider society? JB responded that they did, but the remit here was exclusively grassroots football	
2.2.3	• Would the RESPECT name change? JB confirmed it would not	
2.2.4	• The impact of role models. JB confirmed the research highlighted the importance of this, especially in younger players, but also that the	

<p>2.2.5</p> <p>2.3</p>	<p>more 'direct' and accessible role models such as coaches and parents were more important</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Would the FA consider withdrawing a club or league's affiliation? JB explained that this would be a County FA decision and was generally a last resort but ultimately yes, they do have this power.</li> </ul> <p>A strong message from members overall were that the FA should consider tougher sanctions for the more serious cases and also allow clubs and leagues more jurisdiction to act on lower-level behaviour (e.g. the grey area). JB confirmed he would feed this back and include as part of the considerations for the review.</p>	
<p><b>3</b></p> <p>3.1</p> <p>3.2</p> <p>3.2.1</p> <p>3.2.2</p> <p>3.2.3</p> <p>3.2.4</p> <p>3.3</p> <p>3.3.1</p> <p>3.3.2</p>	<p><b>Specified Business: report on the Association's activities</b></p> <p>JM announced that the following written reports had been circulated as papers to the members:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Chair's report</li> <li>- CEO Report</li> <li>- Finance Report</li> </ul> <p>These reports were received by the meeting, and the London FA CEO Paul Bickerton (PB) delivered a short presentation to members on the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Player Registration plans for the 2022-23 season</li> <li>• Facility and referee plans</li> <li>• Women &amp; Girls' football</li> <li>• London FA's Racial Equality Action Plan</li> </ul> <p>Members were given the opportunity to ask any questions and raised the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Concerns were raised regarding the functionality of the Football Foundation's Pitch-Power app, to deliver on the grass pitches programme. Neil Twitchett (Head of Football Development) responded that the app was expected to be operational again over the next few days</li> <li>• The importance of the higher education sector working with London FA over workforce requirements. PB agreed and advised any university to work with London FA's workforce leads</li> </ul>	<p>Slides to be circulated alongside the minutes of the meeting</p>
<p><b>4</b></p> <p>4.1</p> <p>4.2</p>	<p><b>Club &amp; League Affiliation for the 2022-23 Season</b></p> <p>London FA's Football Development Manager, Aquila Burgess, gave an update on the plans and current progress in relation to club and league affiliation for the 2022-23 season.</p> <p>This presentation includes an overview of key deadlines and a comparison with the 2020 season data.</p>	<p>Slides to be circulated alongside the minutes of the meeting</p>

<b>5</b>	<b>Specified business: to appoint the Association's Auditors</b>	
5.1	The Chair indicated the proposal to appoint Williams & Co as the Association's auditors. This was agreed unanimously.	Carried
<b>6</b>	<b>Election of the President</b>	
6.1	David Wolff was proposed as the new London FA President, nominated by Ian Wallis and seconded by Roger Fox.	
6.2	This proposal was approved unanimously	Carried
6.3	JM wanted to place on record his congratulations to David Wolff and his sincere thanks to the former President David Richbell, who has been an excellent representative of the Association. David Richbell would now take on the Past President title and continue to be invited to London FA meetings	
<b>7</b>	<b>Nomination to elect Michael Burke as London FA Life Vice-President</b>	
7.1	Michael Burke was proposed as the new London FA President, nominated by Ian Wallis and seconded by David Wolff.	
7.2	The proposal was approved unanimously	Carried
7.3	JM placed on record his congratulations to David Wolff	
<b>8</b>	<b>Any other business</b>	
8.1	Duncan Hart (DH) drew the Council's attention to The Ball initiative, which followed a similar approach to the Olympic Torch but for football. The Ball would start at Battersea Park on before making its way to Qatar for the 2022 World Cup. All London FA members were invited to attend the celebrations at Battersea Park.	
8.2	Paul Bickerton informed members that as the Charity Shield was to take place this year at the King Power Stadium in Leicester, London FA were unlikely to receive a ticket allocation.	
<b>9</b>	<b>Chair's closing remarks.</b>	
9.1	The Chair thanked all members for attending and closed the meeting, inviting them all to the mezzanine level for summer drinks, food, and socialising	

**List of Attendees:**

1. Alejandro Sanchez-Buitrago, LFA Council Member
2. Anita Poulman, LFA Board Director
3. Aroz Mia, LFA Council Member
4. Atik Ahmed, LFA Council Member
5. Chris Conroy, LFA Council Member
6. Christina Oshodi, LFA Board Director
7. Conway Blake, Jamrock FC Vets
8. David Fowkes, Wimbledon & District Football League
9. David Wolff, LFA Council Member
10. Deri Asher, Highgate & Muswell Hill Youth FC
11. Drew Patterson, LFA Council Member
12. Duncan Hart, LFA Council Member
13. Eddie Webb, LFA Council Member
14. Fraser Allan (London South Bank University Football Club)
15. Gemma Watson, LFA Council Member
16. Ian DaCunha, London FA Policy Advisor
17. Ian Wallis, LFA Board Director
18. James Barker, The FA's Strategy & Performance Manager
19. James Middlehurst, LFA Chair
20. Jennifer Athill, LFA Council Member
21. Jill Berry, LFA Board Director
22. Jo Hind, LFA Council Member
23. John Forbes, Metropolitan Police 4 Area Saturday Veterans
24. Kevin Wilmot, LFA Council Member
25. Liberatore DiCesare, LFA Council Member
26. Martynas Stonkus, LFA Council Member
27. Mervyn Lyn, London FA Inclusion Advisory Group Chair
28. Roger Fox, LFA Board Director
29. Serkan Poyraz, LFA Council Member
30. Simon Hughes, former LFA Senior Independent Director
31. Steve Kelly, Islington Mid-week Football League
32. Yashmin Harun, LFA Board Director

**London FA Staff Team:**

- Paul Bickerton, CEO
- Neil Twitchett, Head of Football Development
- Aquila Burgess, Football Development Manager
- Amanda Lewis, Head of Football Development Manager