



London FA	Minutes of the Annual General Meeting
<b>Date:</b>	30 June 2021
<b>Venue and time:</b>	Meeting held via Microsoft Teams, 18.30 – 20.30
<b>No. of attendees (virtual)</b>	55

Item		Action
<b>1</b>	<b>Chairs' welcome and to confirm the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020</b>	
1.1	The AGM was opened by the London FA Chair James Middlehurst (JM), who confirmed that notice had been sent to all members by post, via email and placed on the London FA website and 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	The minutes of the annual general meeting held on 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2021 were proposed as a true record by Ian Wallis (IW) and seconded by Mark Deveney (MD) and agreed without opposition.	Carried
1.4	London FA's Senior Independent Director Simon Hughes (SH) wished at this point in the meeting to clarify a query that had been raised at the previous annual general meeting on 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2020. A concern had been raised regarding the validity of the votes cast. As a result of this London FA carried out a review of all the proxy votes cast, to ensure their validity, and SH was pleased to confirm that all votes cast were in line with London FA procedures and valid.	
<b>2</b>	<b>Featured Presentation</b>	
2.1	London FA welcomed Dal Darroch (Head of Strategic Programmes, The FA) to the meeting. DD delivered a presentation on the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The FA's overall inclusion and diversity plans</li> <li>- The FA's Leadership Diversity Code</li> </ul>	Slides to be circulated alongside the minutes of the meeting
2.2	Members asked how this information was due to be communicated. DD responded that the detailed communications plan was to be determined but that County FA's (inc. London FA) had already been heavily involved in the working group and would be one of the key channels for communication of the code.	
2.3	Paul Mortimer (PM), Yahsmin Harun (YH) and Paul Bickerton (PB) then delivered a presentation on London FA's racial equality work, with the following key points covered:	Slides to be circulated alongside the minutes of the meeting

2.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- London FA's Racial Equality Group</li> <li>- The detailed questions being asked through the racial equality consultation</li> <li>- London FA's wider racial equality work, being delivered alongside the consultation</li> </ul> <p>Members asked what stage the consultation had reached and when it would be completed. PB confirmed that the quantitative data had been collected through a questionnaire out to all members and that the qualitative work, comprising several focus groups and 1-1 interviews, were starting on 13<sup>th</sup> July. It was envisaged that the data would be ready to analyse by mid-August.</p>	
<p><b>3</b></p> <p>3.1</p> <p>3.2</p> <p>3.3</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 members were given the opportunity to ask questions on these reports to the Chair and the CEO.</p> <p>A query was raised regarding the finance report and the FA contribution towards reduced London FA affiliation fees. PB confirmed that the FA's grant had been passed on as a saving to clubs in full and that a significant discount on personal accident insurance had also been negotiated by London FA with Sportsguard, the insurance provider.</p>	
4	<p><b>Specified business: to appoint the Association's Auditors</b></p> <p>4.1 The Chair indicated the proposal to appoint Williams &amp; Co as the Association's auditors. This was proposed by SH and seconded by Jill Berry (JB). This was agreed without opposition.</p>	Williams & Co appointed
5	<p><b>Article Changes and Officer Elections</b></p> <p>5.1 SH introduced this item and explained that the Board had presented to the AGM a package of proposals to amend London FA Articles for members to vote on. Following member feedback since the last AGM, the proposals had been separated out into specific changes so that members could vote on these individually. Prior to this meeting a detailed paper setting out each of the changes had been provided, as well as a proxy form outlining each change.</p> <p>5.2 SH explained that due to the virtual nature of the meeting and the requirements of the London FA Articles, votes for this item could be</p>	

	cast either by those who had submitted a valid proxy form in advance or would be taken in the meeting itself via a roll-call vote. To be carried, each resolution would require a 75% majority of the members present and eligible to vote	
5.3	SH gave an overview of the changes proposed by the London FA Board and proceeded with the roll call vote. He also confirmed that a full list of voting members would be published with the minutes of the AGM	
5.4	<b>Resolution 1</b> – Rights of the President, Life Members, Vice-Presidents, Appointed Council Members and the FA Representative and the arrangements for election of the President  For: 53      Against: 4      Abstain: 0	Carried
5.5	<b>Resolution 2</b> – Rights of the FA Representative  For: 56      Against: 1      Abstain: 0	Carried
5.6	<b>Resolution 3</b> – Rights of the Past Presidents  For: 53      Against: 4      Abstain: 0	Carried
5.7	<b>Resolution 4</b> – Rights of the Honorary Vice-Presidents  For: 54      Against: 3      Abstain: 0	Carried
5.8	<b>Resolution 5</b> – Creation of a maximum of 10 new officers as Life Vice-Presidents  For: 52      Against: 4      Abstain: 1	Carried
5.9	<b>Resolution 6</b> – To end the power of the London FA to elect new Life Members  For: 51      Against: 4      Abstain: 2	Carried
5.10	<b>Resolution 7</b> – Rights, responsibilities, and elections of London FA Vice-Presidents  For: 54      Against: 3      Abstain: 0	Carried
5.11	<b>Resolution 8</b> – Drafting amendment to Article 37: Nominations to Council  For: 54      Against: 3      Abstain: 0	Carried
5.12	<b>Resolution 9</b> – Amendment to Article 43: Council eligibility  For: 54      Against: 3      Abstain: 0	Carried

5.13	As Resolution 5 had been carried, London FA then moved to the elections of the Life Vice-Presidents and remaining Vice-Presidents and this was conducted through the same voting process.	
5.14	At this point in the meeting George Dorling (GD) confirmed that he wished to withdraw his nomination. This was accepted.	
5.15	The following 9 members were proposed by the London FA Council to the AGM as London FA Life Vice-Presidents:  <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clive Coleman (For: 51, Against: 3, Abstain: 3)</li> <li>2. Graham EtcHELL (For: 52, Against: 3, Abstain: 2)</li> <li>3. Roger Fox (For: 52, Against: 3, Abstain: 2)</li> <li>4. Tony Sharples (For: 52, Against: 3, Abstain: 2)</li> <li>5. John Taylor (For: 50, Against: 4, Abstain: 3)</li> <li>6. Colin Wheeler (For: 50, Against: 5, Abstain: 2)</li> <li>7. Harry Whipple (For: 51, Against: 3, Abstain: 3)</li> <li>8. David Wolff (For: 51, Against: 4, Abstain: 2)</li> <li>9. Ian Yearwood (For: 51, Against: 4, Abstain: 2)</li> </ol>	Carried Carried Carried Carried Carried Carried Carried Carried Carried
5.16	The following 2 members were proposed by the London FA Council to the AGM as London FA Vice-Presidents:  <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Duncan Hart (For: 53, Against: 3, Abstain: 1)</li> <li>2. Karen Greene (For: 53, Against: 3, Abstain: 1)</li> </ol>	Carried Carried
5.17	SH confirmed that following GD's withdrawal there remained one vacant space for a Life Vice-President and this would be filled at next year's AGM.	
5.18	The voting process concluded, SH congratulated the newly elected Life Vice-Presidents and Vice-Presidents and thanked the members for their support of the proposals.	
5	<b>Any other business</b>  None.	
6	<b>Chair's closing remarks.</b>	
6.1	The Chair thanked all members for attending and closed the meeting.	

**List of Voting Members:**

1. Alan Clarke, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
2. Alejandro Sanchez-Buitrago, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
3. Alf Brown, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
4. Anita Poulman, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
5. Atik Ahmed, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
6. Bobby Bernini, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
7. Chris Conroy, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
8. Christina Oshodi, LFA Board Director (via roll-call vote)
9. Deri Asher, Highgate & Muswell Hill Youth FC (via proxy)
10. David Lando, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
11. David Wolff, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
12. Drew Patterson, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
13. Duncan Hart, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
14. Eddie Webb, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
15. Evelynne Wilson, Tower Hamlets WFC (via roll-call vote)
16. Gemma Watson, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
17. George Dorling, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
18. Graham Etchell, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
19. Graham Harknett, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
20. Graham Rodber, Southern Sunday Football League (via roll-call vote)
21. Graham Taylor, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
22. Helen Parker, London South Bank University Students FC (via roll call vote)
23. Hocine Tachoukaft, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
24. Ian Burke, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
25. Ian Wallis, LFA Board Director (via proxy)
26. Ian Yearwood, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
27. James Middlehurst, LFA Chair (via proxy)
28. Jennifer Athill, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
29. Jill Berry, LFA Board Director (via proxy)
30. Jo Hind, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
31. John McCulloch, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
32. John Taylor, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
33. Karen Greene, LFA Board Director (via proxy)
34. Karen Hardy, AFC Wimbledon Ladies (via roll-call vote)
35. Kevin Wilmot, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
36. Kypros Kyprianou, KOPA Cypriot Football League (via proxy)
37. Lester Newham, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
38. Liberatore DiCesare, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
39. Lockie Bramzell, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
40. Louise Dorling, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
41. Luke Thomson, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
42. Marcell Matthew, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
43. Mark Deveney, LFA Board Director (via roll-call vote)
44. Martynas Stonkus, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
45. Oren Flynn, LFA Council Member (via roll-call vote)
46. Paul Mortimer, LAF Board Director (via roll-call vote)
47. Peter Barnes, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
48. Roger Fox, LFA Board Director (via proxy)



49. Russel Howes, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
50. Sam Abdool, AFC Wimbledon Girls (via roll-call vote)
51. Shakil Hoque, Tower Hamlets FC (via roll-call vote)
52. Simon Hughes, LFA Senior Independent Director (via proxy)
53. Steven Thompson, Hope Utd FC (via roll-call vote)
54. Tony Sharples, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
55. Wale Ojelabe, WO Sports FC (via proxy)
56. Yasmin Hussain, LFA Council Member (via proxy)
57. Yashmin Harun, LFA Board Director (via proxy)