Minutes of the London FA Council Meeting		
Date:	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> June 2019	
Venue and time:	The White Room, The Ministry, 78-81 Borough Road, SE1 1DN – 7.15pm	London FA

Item	Minutes	Action
1	Football Matters ( protected first hour of business)	
1.1	James Middlehurst, Chair of the London FA, introduced the agenda for the evening.	
1.2	Point of order.	
1.3	By way of point of order, an objection was raised to LFA members or others who are not Council members (for example members who are club representatives attending the earlier AGM) being allowed to remain and be present at the Council meeting.	
1.4	Simon Hughes, Senior Independent Director, advised that neither LFA Articles nor LFA Council Standing Orders stated that London FA Council meetings should be closed meetings.	
1.5	A number of Council members felt strongly that they should.	
1.6	Procedural motion was proposed by David Wolff and seconded by Tony Gilbey that London FA Council meetings should be closed.	
1.7	Motion defeated.	
1.8	It was agreed that the Chair and CEO will consider what should be the rules governing attendance of non-Council members at Council meetings so that this process is clear for the future.	Chair / CEO to consult with Council on this matter at a future meeting
1.9	Football reports	
1.10	The following reports were given to LFA Council and Council members were offered the opportunity to ask questions:	
	<ul> <li>Chair report</li> <li>FA representative report</li> <li>CEO update and report</li> <li>Safeguarding report</li> <li>Standing Committee reports</li> </ul>	

1.11	A new agenda item was introduced, following a suggestion from the	This item to be included
	South West division. Each divisional chair provided a short verbal report to Council, to share what they had been discussing and considering in divisional meetings	as a standard item at each Council meeting
1.12	Michael Burke, the LFA Council's Wellbeing Officer, updated the Council on members who are currently unwell.	
2.	Updated LFA Disciplinary statistics for 2018-2019	
2.1	These were presented and received.	
3	To receive apologies for absence	
3.1	Lewis Styles, Clive Coleman, John Socratous, Lockie Bramzell, Bill Neicho, Alan Clarke, David Lando, Colin Wheeler, Lester Newham, Harry Whipple, Ian Yearwood, Daniel Mascoll, Graham Etchell, Cliff Seeley, Kirstin Furber, Ali Morgan. Apologies received.	
4.	To receive and approve the minutes of the Council meeting held on 25 <sup>th</sup> March 2019	
4.1	Received and approved.	
5	Matters Arising	
5.1	A question was asked about the circulation of minutes to Council members.	
5.2	CEO stated that all Board and Council minutes would be circulated directly by the CEO. Committee and Divisional minutes would be distributed by the divisional secretaries and a distribution list had been set up to do this.	
6	Council member vacancies recruitment update	
6.1	LFA Board member Beth Archer updated the Council that the first phase of recruitment to fill Council vacancies, as agreed at the EGM on 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2019, would be launched later in the month.	CEO to launch recruitment process to all members on 25 <sup>th</sup> June 2019
6.2	All Council members were asked to spread the word by circulating the recruitment pack to any interested parties	2019
7	London FA Governance – elections to the LFA Board	
7.1	Simon Hughes, LFA Senior Independent Director, Introduced this item.	
7.2	Simon Hughes introduced Simon Hearn from the Electoral Reform Services to conduct proceedings and make sure that the process was overseen by a professional and independent representative.	

7.3	Three candidates had applied and been confirmed by the Nominations & Remunerations Committee: Yashmin Harun, Drew Patterson and Kevin Wilmot.	
7.4	Each Council member had been given a pack containing the expressions of interest from each candidate, and each candidate was given three minutes to speak to Council and then three pre-notified questions to answer. Eligible Council members were then issued with ballot papers and asked to vote using a preferential (1,2,3) voting system by secret ballot. and the votes were counted.	
7.5	<ul><li>The Electoral Reform Services representative counted the votes and confirmed that the following two candidates had been elected as the new LFA directors:</li><li>1. Drew Patterson</li><li>2. Yashmin Harun</li></ul>	CEO to circulate confirmation of election result by Electoral Reform Services with minutes of meeting
8	Date of future Council meetings	
8.1	Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> September 2019 and Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2019 were agreed.	CEO to confirm venue to Council members once secured
9	Any other business	
9.1	None	