



Minutes of Twenty-Second Annual General Meeting of Northumberland Football Association Limited

Held at Northumberland FA HQ, Whitley Park, Whitley Road, Benton, Newcastle upon Tyne, NE12 9FA and via Microsoft TEAMS

Wednesday 21 September 2022 at 19:00

Summary of attendees (including proxies):

Clubs: 6

Council Members: 12

Leagues & Competitions: 0

Match Officials: 1

Staff: 1

Trustees: 7

Total in attendance: 27

In attendance: S Ord; A Rose-Cook; A Smailes; G Penman; S Pringle; P Nesbitt; W Holmes; C Ball; G Watson; S Drew; D Breakwell; J Breakwell; L Scott; J Gray; F Scantlebury; S Corbett; C Douglas; N Pont; C McBurnie; A Jarvis; J McMinn & A Jenkins.

Present: L Barber

a. President's opening remarks

Steve Ord (SO) welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.

b. Minutes of twenty second Annual General Meeting held on 14 September 2021

The minutes for the meeting held on 14 September 2021 were approved by members as an accurate record of the meetings.

c. Apologies for absence

L Chandler, P Cullerton; I Coates; S Swinyard & D Jones

d. Executive report on the activities of the Association since the previous AGM

ARC – all received a copy if report put together by SMT. Had a particularly good year – CEO is very happy. Completed a full year in our assessment of full year 68% of strategy is great after year one. In the last week we have been through Safeguarding Audit with NSPCC 86 standards passed and commended for the work around this. Auditors spoke extremely high of county FA including leadership and ARC thanked everyone. Internal target for governance code – connects to funding in the future but the main reason is for the governance to be compliant and in line with Sport England. Working towards new HQ. Working with key stakeholders along with the board, by the time we meet again next year, hopefully the HQ will be coming out of the ground. Coach to coach – key project to come out of this year. Part of the strategy for this year and we have had 2000 instances of CTC / CPD. We have been nominated for a recognition award on the 3rd November. Grassroots awards back this year – this is about the volunteers, and we would like to see this on the calendar every year. Senior cup final is back and is particularly good to have this event back. 100% positive – lead by the CFA and the NFL so thank you for your input. Been remarkably interesting and now looking to keep momentum with this. Thank you to board, council for contribution. We have together and worked. Big thank you to the staff for everything and demanding work. SO – would like to take this opportunity to have a minute's silence for the people we have lost over the year. Thank you.

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e. To receive from the Directors a full statement of account

Lauri Chandler, Financial Director - delivered by ARC

The County FA delivered another strong financial performance in the year. The results for the 12 months ending 30 June 2022 shows a surplus of £14,942 compared to the surplus £14,820 for the 15 months ending 30 June 2021. We saw two years of reductions in the FA Core funding for the County FA. The cost base was reduced to account for the lower income levels as soon as the reduction in the Core Funding was understood. Thank you to Andrew and his team for delivering on the financial targets set by the Board. This is the second year that the County FA has delivered a surplus, albeit it small it shows the financial controls and planning within the company are working. The cash performance in the year stabilised follow the low of 31 March 2020 and have continued to be positive during the year ending 30 June 2022. Similar targets have been set for 2022-2023 and I have every confidence in the team to deliver on the targets with the support of the Board and under Steve Ord's leadership. A big thank you to Steve Drew and Paul Hutchinson from Harrison Hutchinson for their professional support and advice for another fiscal year. Your company's expertise is much appreciated by the County FA.

Decision: Accounts for year ending 30 June 2022 accepted unanimously.

f. Resolution One – Articles of Association

ARC provided an overview as to the planned changes to the Articles of Association which were being submitted as Resolution One and that all members had received copy of.

Decision: 23 in favour; 4 against. Resolution One approved.

g. Any other business

N/A

h. Vote of thanks

Received.

Meeting closed: 19:16

.....President

28 September 2023

.....Date