

AGM MEETING MINUTES, 19 March 2023



2023 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE ENGLAND TOUCH ASSOCIATION LIMITED (COMPANY NUMBER 07164624)

Date: 19 March 2023, 9.30am to 10.07am

Venue: Zoom call

The following were present at the meeting:

Name	Capacity
Alison Devlin	ETA Company Secretary
Barry French	Club – Saracens Touch
Bobby Taylor	Club – Wigan Touch
Chris Simon (meeting Chair)	ETA CEO & League & Nottingham Touch Leagues
Chris Wearmouth	ETA Marketing and Comms
Craig Baston	Observer
David Cope	ETA Sustainability Lead
Emi Beredugo	Observer
Emma Young	Club – London Eagles
Gabe Pennington	Club – NQ Rebels
Jack Harris	ETA University Lead
Jane Sabugueiro	ETA Non-Executive Board Director
Julian Gilding	Club – Crewe and Nantwich Blaze
Julia Cole	Club – Thames Valley
Julian Wilson	Club – Percy Park
Justin Conway	ETA Non-Executive Chair
Kassra Powles	Club – Nottingham Touch Club
Kylie Hutchinson	Club – London Scorpions
Max Anderson	Club – Exeter Touch
Mel Day	Club – Galaxy London
Rich King	ETA Membership Secretary
Robin Rudd	ETA Referee Lead
Russell Gould	Observer
Siany Gilding	Club – Crewe and Nantwich Blaze
Tim Loveridge	Observer
Will Tenbroeke	ETA Finance Director & Pro Touch Operator

1. Welcome and Introduction

Chris Simon (ETA CEO) chaired the meeting and welcomed everyone. The meeting started at 9.30am.

2. Apologies

No apologies were received.

3. Registration and accreditation of nominated delegates

There were no proxy votes received.

There were 17 Voting Members present in the meeting as follows:

Voting Member	Voting Representative	Votes
Club – Crewe & Nantwich Blaze	Julian Gilding	1
Club – Exeter Touch	Max Anderson	1
Club – London Eagles	Emma Young	1
Club – London Galaxy	Mel Day	1
Club – London Scorpions	Kylie Hutchinson	1
Club – Nottingham Touch	Kassra Powell	1
Club – NQ Rebels	Gabe Pennington	1
Club – Percy Park	Julian Wilson	1
Club – Saracens	Barry French	1
Club – Thames Valley	Julia Cole	1
Club – Wigan Touch	Bobby Taylor	1
ETA – Board Director	Chris Simon	1
ETA – Board Director	Will Tenbroeke	1
ETA – Non-Exec Director	Jane Sabugueiro	1
ETA – Board Director	Justin Conway	1
Operator – Nottingham Touch Leagues	Chris Simon	1
Operator – Pro Touch	Will Tenbroeke	1

In accordance with Article of Association 30.2, the meeting was quorate (*quorum is 10*).

4. Receive and consider the minutes of the 2022 AGM

The minutes were proposed by Jane Sabugueiro and seconded by Chris Wearmouth as being a true and accurate record. The minutes were approved.

5. Receive and consider the Annual Report

The Annual Report was made available to the AGM online.

The CEO (Chris Simon) provided a summary of the Annual Report and addressed questions submitted in advance:

Timing of nationals in 2023 and 2024: Chris explained that dates had been shifted to earlier in the season for economies of scale and to improve high performance eligibility. 2024 is expected to take the same form as 2023 but this will be reviewed at the end of the season and adjusted where necessary.

Use of Burton RFC as a venue given public transport limitations, particularly on Sundays: Chris explained that Burton scored highly on member survey. ETA will continue to use Burton as a tournament location, but Chris is happy to discuss further any remaining concerns.

6. Financial Report

The draft final P&L and balance sheet were included in the Annual Report made available to the AGM online.

The Finance Director (Will Tenbroeke) provided a summary and addressed a question submitted in advance as to whether or not ETA remains a going concern. Will confirmed that, whilst ETA reserves are currently below target, the financial position is forecast to improve this season and therefore ETA does remain a going concern.

7. Election of Chair

A sole candidate was proposed for the position of Chair. Following a vote, the CEO declared .Tim Loveridge duly elected

Tim made a brief statement saying how much he was looking forward to working with the .Board and everyone across the sport in his new role as Chair

8. Election of Non-Executive Directors

It was reported that 3 Non-Executive Board positions were currently vacant. Applications had been received from 5 candidates. Following a vote, the CEO declared Emi Beredugo, Justin Conway and Emma Hardaker duly elected.

All candidates were thanked by the CEO.

9. Closure of the meeting at 10.07am

All members were invited to stay for an informal Q&A with the Board.
