Committee minutes

Date: Monday, 26 October 2026

Location: Dunnings Mill

Present (Committee members)**:** Sally Alexander (SA) (Chair), Laura Stockwood (LS), Gary Spring (GS), Graeme Bennett (GB), Nevenka Worsell (NW), Alison Stuart (AS), Lucy Wilkes (LW), Chris Rance (CR)

In attendance (non-Committee member, by invitation)**:** David Worsell (DW), Brandon Webb (BW)

Apologies: Jennifer Willis (JW)

Declarations of interest: DW is an ambassador for Junior parkrun.

SA thanked everyone for their work for the club.

Minutes of meeting on 28 September – approved.

1. Matters arising from meeting on 28 September 2026

a) Annual members survey
   i) DW to provide summary for sharing with members. — DW
   ii) DW also surveying on future of Tejin's strength sessions as attendance below break even. LS suggested video to show members what is involved. DW to consider. — DW

b) SpoGomi – defer to next meeting. — CR

c) Summer racing tops
   i) GS to invite further orders of cheaper and expensive ones and to order some, with subsidy on first order. — GS
   ii) Hydration vests – GS to place orders for those requested. — GS
   iii) Other kit, e.g. hoodies – look good with updated club logo.

d) L10s charity donations
   i) Donation only paid to St Catherine's so far. Junior parkrun only when all funding confirmed. Viewpoint's should be made once handover arrangement agreed, no reason to delay. — NW

e) Member's donation – flask purchased, rest to subsidise vests. Also agreed to purchase table for team use. — CR

f) Airman's grave run – just waiting for TWH to confirm times. Wreath ordered and a walker will take to ceremony.

g) New committee positions
   i) GB confirmed he will stay for further year. AS to speak to JW about stepping up. — AS
   ii) To put advert out to members in January for all positions.

h) Flat mile - GS authorised to buy further timing app for Tom for £6.99. Still hoping to fix date for November.

i) Junior parkrun – still awaiting final funding before any monies can be paid.

j) Long service recognition – long debate but doesn't seem to be a feasible way of implementing this, due to lack of records. President's and Captains' awards do give scope to cover this.

2. Agenda items

a) Safeguarding and welfare issues – no issues reported.

b) H&S incidents/near misses – one issue reported, while walking.

c) Treasurer's report
   (a) Bank balance of £7,938, less L10s credit of £1,939. Received £3,242 in subs (162 members) and paid £2,139 to EA (93 members). £403 in kit sales this year.

d) Policy, insurance and contracts updates
   (a) Nothing to report this month.

e) Community Amateur Sports Club (CASC) status
   (i) Invite sent to all members. VSSC hall booked for EGM 7pm. GB/SA to set up from 6.30pm.
   (ii) Need 16 to make quorate, and quick count makes that seem likely. Otherwise meet one week later for final decision.
   (iii) Key points list given to committee.

f) Newsletter survey - GB to report outcomes as per his circulated draft in newsletter - 63 responses. SA thanked GB for his efforts. — GB

g) National and Southern entries – agreed to cover cost of first ten member entries to Southerns and Beckenham on 30th Jan and Nationals in Newark on 20th February. GB to advise in newsletter. — GB

h) Grand Prix events 2027 – CR and LW to start planning next year's races. And the December parkrun venue. — LW/CR

i) Christmas Handicap
   1) GS considering tweak to route to reduce St Piers Lane stretch. Start will be 10.30.
   2) Entry fee to be £3pp, 'profits' to go to Young Minds, following demise of Papyrus.
   3) NW to speak to Tom about runner rewards, SA to Scott about raffle prizes. SA, NW

j) C25K 2027 – SA to speak to Sophie about new event in January. SA

Next meetings

- Extraordinary General Meeting – Thursday 29 October, 7pm (VSSC) - tbc
- Committee meeting – Monday 30 November, 7pm (VSSC)
- Committee meeting – Monday 18 January 2027, 7pm (Dunnings)
- Committee meeting – Monday 22 February, 7pm (VSSC)