Lingfield Running Club

Minutes of Extraordinary General Meeting

Victoria Sports & Social Club

29th October 2026, 7 p.m.

Present:

Sally Alexander (Chair)	Patrick Bastow	Sandra Ankers	Laura Stockwood
Graeme Bennett	Nick Champness	Keith Chambers	Matthew Stockwood
Gary Spring	Fiona Champness	Hannah Cartledge	Michael Manwill
Dave Watkins	Dave Nottidge	Tom Cartledge	Wendy Smith
Brian Spicer	Nevenka Worsell	Judith Cartledge	Jennifer Willis
Brandon Webb	Dave Worsell	Glen Smith	James Willis
Michele Edwards	Judy Hayler	Debbie Wilkes	Dave Wilkes
Chris Rance	Lucy Wilkes	Tim Wilkes	Sue Garner
Ian Watkins			

Apologies were received from Lisa Compton, Scott McDonald and James Kilfiger.

1. Sally (SA) outlined the background to the corporation tax issue arising from club profits, largely in relation to Lingfield 10s races. The committee considered the best way to address this for the future was to apply to HMRC for Community Amateur Sports Club (CASC) status. She read out some questions received prior to the meeting, committee responses to them, and invited further questions from the floor.
    a. Keith Asked how long the process might take. Graeme (GB) said we don't know but probably weeks rather than months. All done online.
    b. Tom Cartledge asked whether the fact that we donated 'profit' to charities made any difference. Nevenka (NW) said not – the tax is on the profit, not how we dealt with it afterwards.
    c. Ian Watkins asked how far back HMRC might want to reclaim tax. SA said we don't know, maybe not at all. For 2026, money has been set aside. Given the relatively small amounts concerned, the club's funds should cover previous years.
    d. Ian asked if tax applied to all income. NW said it was only monies received from non-members.
2. SA said the committee had considered trying to run L10s as a break-even event but that would be difficult and did not want to stop running it as it is a good community event which does contribute money to local charities. It had also considered the option of creating day membership for L10s event but that carried a high administrative burden and wasn't practical.

    a. Fiona asked how this would affect club's insurance cover. GB replied that it wouldn't – we would still be covered by comprehensive EA and ARC insurances.
    b. Sandra asked if the rules also applied to social events. SA said it did but it was only to money received from non-members, so effect was almost non-existent.
3. SA explained that the names of three club officers (Chair, Secretary and Treasurer) would be given to HMRC; these would need updating as committee changed. No other reporting requirements.

4. GB proposed that the meeting adopt the constitution changes as written and authorise the committee to apply to HMRC for CASC status.
    a. The motion was passed unanimously, with no votes against and no abstentions.

5. SA said the committee would keep members informed on the process.

6. Debbie Wilkes proposed a vote of thanks to the committee for their hard work in trying to get this matter resolved.

The meeting ended at 7.35pm.

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