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**THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR SHOOTING AND CONSERVATION**  
**UNCONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD AT MARFORD MILL 17 MAY 2024 AT 2:00pm**

Attendance	Eoghan Cameron Claire Sadler Oliver McCullough Robin Marshall-Ball Chris Barker Ian Grindy Ian Coghill John Furbisher John Harlow Professor Ann Mortimer Al Grabriel	Chairman Vice-Chair  Dial in       Dial in
Ex-Officio:	Ian Bell Angela Davies  Christopher Graffius  Steve Bloomfield Peter Clarke Steve Griffiths Gareth Dockerty	Chief Executive Executive Director of Business Management (EDBM) Executive Director of Communications & Public Affairs (EDCPA) – Dial in Executive Director of Shooting & Operations Director Scotland Director Wales Deputy Director of Shooting & Operations
Minute Secretary	Sandra Forkin	
Present	Garry Doolan  Matt Ellis Tania Pennill Katharine Donnelly  Rob Hastie	Deputy Director Communications & Public Affairs (DDCPA) Deputy Director Conservation (DDC) Director HR Director of Marketing & Membership Experience Deputy Director of Business Management

**Chairman's Welcome**

**1. To receive apologies for absence and to note absentees**

Apologies have been received from Lord Dear, Caroline Bedell, Richard Garner-Williams, and Tommy Mayne.

The Chairman welcomed HR Director, Deputy Director of Business Management and Director of Marketing & Membership, who were attending Council today as observers.

**2. To confirm confidential items**

It was confirmed that items 8, 9, 10, 11 & 12 were noted as confidential.

**3. To identify suggested items of any other business**

None

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**4. Declaration of Interest**

Item 9 & 10 – Chairman and CEO report, A2S - Ian Coghill

**5. Minutes of previous meetings**

**5.1 Minutes of the 8<sup>th</sup> February 2024 Council meeting**

The minutes of the meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> March 2024 were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

**5.2 Minutes of the 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024 Council meeting**

The minutes of the meeting of 27<sup>th</sup> March 2024 were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

**5.3 Minutes of Executive and Finance Committee 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024 (Virtual)**

The Executive and Finance Committee minutes of the meeting of 26<sup>th</sup> March 2024 were noted.

**5.4 Minutes of WLC Meeting 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024**

The minutes of the WLC Committee meeting were noted.

**6. Matters arising from earlier Council meetings**

**7. Health and Safety Report**

The EDBM report presented was taken as read.

The CEO gave an overview of the reports presented.

- 7a) H&S Report
- 7b) H&S Risk Plan

The CEO advise that the tailgate incident referred to in the last Council meeting is currently being reviewed by the EDSO, further details will come back to Council in due course.

**STRATEGIC AND OPERATIONAL ISSUES**

**8. Political Affairs Report \*\*\*Confidential\*\*\***

The EDCPA report presented was taken as read.

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The EDCPA gave an overview of the report and highlighted in detail the following subjects of areas of importance.

*Director Scotland gave an update on political issues in Scotland*

*Director Wales gave an update on political issues in Wales*

**9. Chairman's Report \*\*\*Confidential\*\*\***

The Chairman's paper presented was taken as read.

The Chairman referred to the paper presented and highlighted areas of particular importance.

**10. Chief Executive's Report \*\*\*Confidential\*\*\***

The CEO's report presented was taken as read.

The CEO referred to the paper presented and highlighted areas of importance.

*The EDCPA gave an overview of the paper presented as part of the CEO report and highlighted some areas of importance.*

- Value of shooting is in print
- Labour briefing in Westminster
- Police and Firearms licencing

*The EDCPA left the meeting at 15:28*

*The DDC gave an overview of the paper presented as part of the CEO report and highlighted some areas of importance.*

- Proactive work on projects we have not done before
- Effectiveness of scientific data
- Sustainable harvest work
- Crown Estate relationship (Ian Coghill will obtain further details)
- Value of Shooting
- Sustainable Shooting
- AI
- Schedule II

*The EDSO gave an overview of the paper presented as part of the CEO report and highlighted some areas of importance.*

- Lead Shot transition

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- Game Meat Market
- Members survey regarding non lead
- Sustainable ammo day NI
- Educational days
- Face to Face Operational meeting

*Director Wales left the meeting 15:52*

*The Director Scotland gave an overview of the paper presented as part of the CEO report and highlighted some areas of importance.*

- Estates that Educate

*The DDSO gave an overview of the paper presented as part of the CEO report and highlighted some areas of importance.*

- National Shooting Show
- T&E review
- Forestry England, Meeting with Andrew Stringer regarding Woodcock/wood pigeon
- Derbyshire Police meeting
- SLA's

*The EDBM will give her updates from the CEO report when she presented item 12*

**11. Strategic Risk Register \*\*\*Confidential\*\*\***

The CEO's paper presented was taken as read.

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**SUPPORTING ISSUES**

**12. Membership and Management Accounts up to end October 2023 \*\*\*Confidential\*\*\***

The EDBM paper presented was taken as read.

The EDBM gave a detailed overview of the paper presented and highlighted some areas of importance.

**13. Any other business by leave of the Chairman**

The EDBM paper presented was taken as read.

The EDBM gave an overview of the paper presented.

**Date of next meeting**

The July Council meeting will take place at Marford Mill on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at 9:30am.

Signed: .....

Date: .....

Chairman