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THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR SHOOTING AND CONSERVATION CONFIRMED MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD VIA TEAMS MEETING ON 11 FEBRUARY 2021 AT 09:00AM

Attendance Eoghan Cameron Chairman
Claire Sadler Vice-Chair

Robin Marshall-Ball

Ian Grindy

Oliver McCullough

Al Gabriel Ian Coghill Cara Hutchens Alasdair Mitchell Paul Shaw

Professor Ann Mortimore

Ex-Officio: Ian Bell Chief Executive

Angela Davies Executive Director of Business Management

Caroline Bedell Executive Director of Conservation

Steve Bloomfield Executive Director of Shooting & Operations

Dan Reynolds Director England Steve Griffiths Director Wales

Tommy Mayne Director Northern Ireland

Minute Secretary Sandra Forkin

Present Garry Doolan Deputy Director of Communications & Public Affairs

Chairman's Welcome

1. To receive apologies for absence and to note absentees

Apologies had been received from Lord Dear, Carl Woodall, Peter Watson and Colin Shedden.

Claire Sadler and Cara Hutchens had joined the meeting part way through as noted in the minutes.

2. To confirm confidential items

It was confirmed that items 8, 9, 10, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19 were noted as confidential.

3. To identify suggested items of any other business

4. Declaration of Interest

The Executive Director of Business Management confirmed declaration for:

Item 11 - WHCT,

BASC Chairman, BASC Vice-Chair, CEO & Executive Director of Conservation

Item 16 - Food Strategy, Robin Marshall-Ball

Item 19 - AOB, GWCT, BASC Chairman, BASC Vice-Chair, CEO, Executive Director of Shooting & Operations, Executive Director of Communications & Public Affairs, Ian Grindy, Director Wales, Ian Coghill, Robin Marshall-Ball, Cara Hutchens & Alasdair Mitchell.

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5. <u>Minutes of previous meetings</u>

5.1 Minutes of the 26th November 2020 Council meeting

The minutes of the meeting of 26th November were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

5.2 Minutes of the 14th January 2021 Council meeting

The minutes of the meeting of 14th January were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

5.3 <u>Minutes of Executive and Finance Committee 25th November 2020</u>

The Executive and Finance Committee minutes of the meeting of 25th November were noted.

6. Matters arising from earlier Council meetings

Shrivenham testing report.

Director England advised that the report had not yet been received and there is no indication to date when this will be available. The Director of England will try to obtain a provisional date if possible.

Member case update – The CEO confirmed that an additional merits assessment report had been received from another Barrister and is currently under review. The CEO and the Executive Director of Business Management will review and send to Council for an out of cycle approval.

Claire Saddler joined the meeting.

7. Health and Safety Report

The Executive Director of Business Management's report was taken as read.

8. <u>SLC Future ***Confidential***</u>

BASC Chairman paper presented was taken as read.

BASC Chairman gave an overview of some of the discussions that had taken place recently.

Council approved the continuation of BASC role as detailed within the paper presented.

9. Strategic Risk Register ***Confidential***

The paper presented was taken as read.

10. Covid-19 Update ***Confidential***

The papers presented were taken as read.

The CEO re-iterated to Council that Membership at the end of 2020 was just under 150,000 members. Which is positive seeing all the restrictions which have impacted the shooting season.

The Executive Director of Business Management gave Council an update in relation to Membership at the end of January and management accounts at the end of December 2020.

11. WHCT Donation

The Executive Director of Conservation advised Council that she is today asking Council for a donation of £50K for the WHCT.

Council agreed for the £50K to be given to the WHCT.

12. Governance Review ***Confidential***

Tenure

The paper presented was taken as read.

13. Confidential Item

14. AGM ***Confidential***

Election update

The CEO confirmed that we are currently planning for a virtual AGM as this is the most likely case. However, we are also planning for a face-to-face in case restrictions allows us to have one.

15. Declaration of Interest Register

The Executive Director of Business Management referred to the paper presented to Council members and asked that everyone to please checks their details. If any errors or amendments are required, then please notify the Executive Director of Business Management by email.

Council members are also asked to note that if anything changes through the year please email these too.

16. BASC Food Strategy

The Executive Director of Conservations paper was taken as read.

The Executive Director of Conservation gave an overview of the paper.

The Executive Director of Conservation stated that the Eat Game logo is recommended to be used for the BASC food strategy and is asking for Council approval to proceed.

The Executive Director of Conservation confirmed that BASC food strategy has 100% sign up by staff.

Council supported the proposal and stated it is a very good idea, however the name "food" was challenged, as the strategy is about game not general food. Council discussions took place in relation to the name of the strategy and it was agreed the strategy should be called a "wild food" strategy.

17. Chairman's Report ***Confidential***

BASC's Chairman's paper presented was taken as read.

BASC Chairman gave an overview of his paper and the items within.

18. <u>Chief Executive's Report ***Confidential***</u> (Including updates from Executive Directors)

The CEO 's paper presented was taken as read.

The CEO gave an overview of his paper and the items within the paper presented.

The Executive Director of Conservation gave an overview of the details presented within the CEO paper.

The Executive Director Communications and Public Affairs gave an overview of the details presented within the CEO paper.

The Executive Director of Shooting and Operations gave an overview of the details presented within the CEO paper.

The Executive Director of Shooting and Operations gave an update on the Countryside Clay Shoot for 19th June 2021 in which the Association is planning to go ahead with this event.

The Executive Director of Shooting and Operations gave an update in relation to a sustainable ammunition day that will be held in 2021.

The Executive Director of Shooting and Operations gave an update in relation to the work that is taking place in relation to the NFU and young farmers (it is likely that a legacy bid will be put forward to fund this project).

BASC Vice-Chair stated that she would like thanks to go the team who have worked on the ladies shooting award, they have been a great success.

The Executive Director of Business Management gave an overview of the details presented within the CEO paper.

19. Any other business by leave of the Chairman

GWCT ***Confidential***

The CEO gave an overview of the paper presented.

Council are being asked to approve a donation to the GWCT. Council approved for a charitable donation to be given to the GWCT,

20. Date of next meeting

Signed:	Date:
Chairman	

The next meeting will take place on Thursday 25th March 2021 at 9:00am – (Virtual)