

President P Robbins

**Minutes of the Coaches Committee meeting held on  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 at the Regional Offices.**

<b>Present;</b>	R. Margetts	(RM)	Competition Secretary & Chairman
	L. Dunn		(LD) England Programmes via webex
	J. John	(JJ)	Exeter City
	E. Dale	(ED)	Millfield
	C. Alderton	CA)	Team Bath AS
	R. Pavoni	(RP)	Plymouth Leander
	L. Oliver	(LO)	Swindon Dolphins
	E. Taylor	(ET)	Club Development Officer
	S. Millett	(SM)	Assistant Club Development Officer
	C. Tremellen	CT)	Swimming Secretary & Minutes

**Apologies:** P. Robbins, R. Amarayan, R. Brew, A. Osborne, B. Alldrick, J. Wills, E. Dart, R. Brew, M. Heathcock

**18/01** **Minutes of meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2017** signed as a true record.

**18/02** **Matters arising**

- 02.1 23.2 Zagreb meet falls during exam period this year so not suitable.
- 02.2 25.3 CT explained why age group summer meets will continue to use Hengrove and not both be at Millfield.
- 02.3 ESSA team has been selected but team coach and team managers still required.

**18/03** **England Programmes Officers report**

- 03.1 Two Coach Advisors (Jo John & Euan Dale) have been appointed for the Region.
- 03.2 County Pathway Programmes – all SW Counties participating this year
- 03.3 Advert out for City of Bristol Head Coach – lot of interest
- 03.4 Beacon programme in Bristol being supported by Marc Williams
- 03.5 Second Phase 2 camp at Mt Kelly following weekend.
- 03.6 Phase 3 camp going to Marseille in April
- 03.7 All England Programmes staff busy with Commonwealth Games issues

**18/04** **Regional Pathway update**

- 04.1 2017 programme completed – all went well.
- 04.2 2018 programme – dates 1<sup>st</sup> July, 14<sup>th</sup> October and 2<sup>nd</sup> December – all at Oxley Sports Centre in Sherborne
- 04.3 Applications for Head and Assistant Coaches and Team Managers have been circulated and are on website.

04.4 County Conference – aimed at level 1 coaches - will be at the Holiday Inn, Taunton on March 17<sup>th</sup> Regional Coaches Conference will be held in same venue on June 23<sup>rd</sup> aimed at level 2 coaches.

04.5 Team Managers Conference will be held at the same time as the County Coaches conference for all Team Managers.

**18/05 National Forum Report**

No report. M.Puddy no longer available.

05.1 Euan Dale agreed to be representative.

**18/06 Swimming Committee update**

06.1 Level 3 meets – rejection of swimmers from bottom for long course meets and top for short course meets - TSC agreed this should be advisory not compulsory.

06.2 Overseas travel and security policy has been updated.

06.3 Swimmers changing on the poolside or balcony. Complaints have been received as this is a child protection issue. Following discussion it was suggested that this should be incorporated into a Code of Conduct/ put in conditions and that there should be repercussions for anyone not complying.

**18/07 Competition**

07.1 RM stated that there had been a 60% drop off in entries for the Winter Championships. Was this due to it being LC? Needs to be monitored.

07.2 Reverse 800/1500 free. Agreed with proposal to use 400m times for 800m and 800 times for 1500m for qualification.

Number of entries will be limited in each age group. Events will be swum in integrated mixed sex heats

07.3 Relays – all relays to move to end of sessions after finals.

07.4 ED proposed changes to Summers Championships – was asked to put together a paper for next meeting.

**18/08 Overseas meet**

Many meets were not deemed suitable as too early or too near Nationals.

Agreed that Bulgarian Nationals best option. JJ & CT to meet soon with Lead Team Manager

**18.09 Dates of future meetings**

June 5<sup>th</sup>, September 25<sup>th</sup>

**18/10 AOB**

10.1 Emily Taylor, who is leaving shortly, was thanked for all her hard work over the years she has been with the region.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

R. Margetts, Chairman