



Minutes:	General Committee
Date:	Wednesday 2 nd August 2023
Time:	18:00
Place:	Committee Room, The Kia Oval Zoom Video Conference (Dial-In)
Chair:	M Eadon
Members in Attendance:	T (Patricia) Garrard P (Philip) Garrard D Gill A Grabiner A Harinath J Hudson K Kumaria K Olafare JP C Payne P Pocock M Reeve L Rolles Dr M Searle M Tee C Thompson R Trinick A Tudor
In attendance:	S Elworthy MBE A Lane K Leach (minutes) A Stewart OBE

ITEM 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1.1 Apologies for absence were received from C Buck, C Dymond, W Jones and B Qureshi.

ITEM 2 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

2.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 23rd May 2023 were agreed as an accurate record.

2.2 The minutes of the meeting held on 5th June 2023 were agreed as an accurate record.

ITEM 3 MATTERS ARISING

3.1 M Eadon confirmed that co-opted member C Dymond had stepped down from the General Committee, effective from today's date and proposed the co-option of O Slipper to the Committee.

3.2 The Committee approved the co-option of O Slipper to the Committee.

ITEM 4 CRICKET

4.1 A Stewart updated the Committee on player injuries and overseas players.

4.2 The Committee discussed the recent matches using the Kookaburra red ball.

ITEM 5 CEO REPORT

5.1 S Elworthy thanked all the Club staff for the excellent delivery of the Ashes Test. He also thanked the Committee for their support in hosting guests throughout the five days.

5.2 The Committee in turn thanked S Elworthy and the Club staff for their work on the Ashes Test.

5.3 The Test Match pitch invader, along with their three friends, will receive lifetime bans.

5.4 R Trinick commented that Laker Balcony signage could be improved and S Elworthy asked for any other feedback to be sent to him.

5.5 S Elworthy updated the Committee on the Club's response to the ICEC Report. It was agreed that this should become a standard agenda item going forward.

ITEM 6 FINANCE

- 6.1** A Lane updated the Committee on Forecast 2 which was circulated prior to the Test match.

ITEM 7 DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS

- 7.1** S Elworthy updated the Committee on the progress with the hotel construction, and on other development projects and opportunities.

ITEM 8 ECB

- 8.1** M Eadon outlined the changes to the ECB governance structure, which includes the Professional Game Committee. Members of the PGC have now been appointed and S Elworthy will sit on this Committee.

ITEM 9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- 9.1** A proposal to name the new gate the Sciver-Brunt Gate was approved by the Committee. A naming ceremony is planned for 19th September 2023.
- 9.2** The date for the next Members Forum, 11th August, is likely to change as A Stewart will be involved with the 50-over match preparation.
- 9.3** The End of Season Awards are taking place on 21st September. All Committee members have been invited to attend.
- 9.4** M Searle advised that some Members were not happy that the official Club social media was promoting the Hundred tournament.
- 9.5** T Garrard advised that she has visited Bill Gordon in hospital, and he is in good spirits. The Committee will organise a get-well card for him.
- 9.6** T Garrard thanked the Committee for all their help with hosting at the Test Match.
- 9.7** C Payne noted that the Club flag was absent at Lord's and Taunton. It was confirmed that it is the responsibility of the Club scorer to take the flag to away matches.

ITEM 10 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

- 10.1** The date and time of the next meeting is Monday 25th September 2023 at 18:00.