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14 March 2024

Updated Notice of 2024 Annual General Meeting

Dear Member,

I am writing to you, as Company Secretary, to update on you on the process of the Member nominated elections for the Club's Executive Board ahead of our AGM at the Seat Unique Stadium, Nevil Road, Bristol BS7 9EJ on **Monday 29 April 2024 at 7.00pm**. The meeting will be held in person and virtually.

As you will recall, on 31st January 2024, Club Chair David Jones' wrote to Members to say there was one spot on the Executive Board which was due for re-election, the position held by Mark Brunt as he finished his initial 3 year term.

On the 20 February a Member contacted me, to say he thought that the board role currently occupied by David Jones was also up for election this year. Although not in accordance with previous legal advice we had received, I referred the matter to the Club's current lawyers. On 6 March 2024, they advised that, whilst not without ambiguity, the contention helpfully brought to our attention by the Member "is the better view and in line with the intent behind the provisions in the Constitution".

In light of that opinion, I advised the Board that, not least to uphold standards of governance, that was the position the Club should adopt. Unsurprisingly, the board agreed. Accordingly, the Member-voted position on the board currently occupied by our Chair, David Jones will also be included in the election process for this year. As such we will now have two vacancies on the Executive Board to be filled at the AGM on 29 April.

To ensure fairness and in light of that advice, the Board has decided that we should "re-open" the nominations process in order to give Members time to consider whether they would wish to put their names forward for consideration for election to the board roles currently available. With that in mind, the nominations process (that had closed on 29 February) will now be extended until 5pm on Thursday 28 March 2024. As the Constitution requires a Member to submit their application for election to the Executive Board no later than 2 months before the AGM, the agenda for the AGM will include a resolution to ratify the decision to extend the nominations process for this year. Any candidate that has previously submitted their nomination will see their candidature automatically roll-over and need not re-apply.

An Agenda, a copy of the Accounts for the financial year ended 31 January 2024 and any proposed amendments to the Constitution and Rules will be made available on the Club's website and emailed to all Members for whom the Club holds an email address (and by post to members on request) at least 14 days before the date of the Annual General Meeting.



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As above, this year we have two vacancies on the Board as Mark Brunt will complete his first term at this year's AGM and David Jones will complete his 10th year (of a maximum of 12). As per the Constitution, both Mark and David will need to seek re-election to be able to continue in their current positions.

Alternatively, any Member who wishes to stand for election to the Executive Board shall notify the Chief Executive formally by the 28 March. Please also consider the accompanying note from myself, which shares more details on the nature of the role of an Executive Board Member, the process and the governance requirements for the Club, which includes an informal meeting with a Nominations Committee to be arranged in April.

Any application for election to the Executive Board should be accompanied by a nomination signed by two Members (a proposer and a seconder) and should be accompanied by a short prospectus (of no more than 200 words) as to why the Member in question considers that they would be a suitable member of the Executive Board. The application should also be accompanied by a passport style photograph of the relevant Member. The prospectus and photograph will be circulated to the Members together with ballot papers in advance of the relevant Annual General Meeting.

Any application should be sent to myself at Gloucestershire Cricket, Seat Unique Stadium, Nevil Road, Bristol BS7 9EJ or via email directly to <u>will.brown@glosccc.co.uk</u>

Gloucestershire Cricket is committed to building a diverse Executive Board and, as such, strongly encourages applications from individuals of any race, ethnicity (including minority ethnic communities), gender, age, sexual orientation, religion or belief, and regardless of any disability.

I look forward to seeing you at the Annual General Meeting on Monday 29 April 2024.

Yours sincerely,

Will Brown

Chief Executive Officer