



AGENDA

RFL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Location By Teams (due to Covid-19) **Date & Time** 6 July 2020, 9am until 2pm

Present Simon Johnson, Ralph Rimmer **Chairperson** Simon Johnson
Karen Moorhouse, Chris
Brindley, Chris Hurst, Sandy
Lindsay and Rimla Akhtar.

In attendance Tony Sutton
Rob Graham
Mark Foster
Sarah Jane Gray
Dave Rotheram
Matthew Barnes

| Item No | Agenda Item | Who |
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| 1.0 | Apologies: None | |
| 2.0 | Declarations of Interest | |
| 3.0 | Minutes from the previous meeting and Action Tracker | Simon Johnson |
| 3.1 | <i>Draft Board Meeting minutes – 27 May 2020</i> | |
| 3.2 | <i>Action Tracker from the meeting – 27 May 2020</i> | |
| 4.0 | Matters Arising from Minutes | All |

| Items for Discussion/Decision | | |
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| 5.0 | <p>Coronavirus The purpose of the agenda item is to discuss the latest position and the implications for the RFL and the sport including:</p> <p>5.1 update on the Roadmap; 5.2 Government funding / Government loan – Administration and distribution; 5.3 ‘Behind Closed Doors’ matches; 5.4 governance structure of the Sport; 5.5 competition structure; 5.6 promotion and relegation; and 5.7 impact on participation.</p> <p><i>Papers and emails previously circulated. Paper on relegation and promotion attached and further update on the day due to the fast-moving nature of the situation.</i></p> | All (plus, Tony Sutton and Mark Foster) |
| 6.0 | <p>Challenge Cup The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss and agree the structure, specifically, the 6th round and the timelines to agree on all venues.</p> <p><i>Paper attached.</i></p> | Mark Foster |
| 7.0 | <p>Laws Committee The purpose of this agenda item is to notify the Board of the changes recommended by the Laws Committee, and if thought appropriate, approve them for the remainder of the 2020 season.</p> <p><i>Paper attached.</i></p> | Dave Rotheram / Matthew Barnes |
| 8.0 | <p>Management Accounts and Budget The purpose of this agenda item is to:</p> <p>8.1 receive an update on 2020 Management Accounts; and 8.2 receive an update on the 2020 Re-Forecast (assumptions).</p> <p><i>Paper and Management Accounts attached and presentation on the day.</i></p> | Rob Graham |
| 9.0 | <p>Odsal Stadium The purpose of this agenda item is to consider the options for Odsal Stadium.</p> <p><i>Paper attached.</i></p> | Ralph Rimmer/ Tony Sutton |
| 10.0 | <p>Council Planning The purpose of this agenda item is to consider the agenda for the Council meeting on 15 July.</p> <p><i>Draft Agenda and Notice attached.</i></p> | |

Governance and Operational

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| 11.0 | | Governance: The purpose of this agenda item is to: | |
| | 11.1 | update the Board on the work of the I&D Advisory Group and Working Group; and | Sarah-Jane Gray |
| | 11.2 | receive an update on the feedback on the internal board evaluation. <i>11.1 - Paper attached.</i> | Simon Johnson and Chris Brindley |
| 12.0 | | Operational Matters The purpose of this agenda item is to set out the current understanding of what 'Brexit' means for the movement of players and the ability for Clubs to sign players of other nationalities and: | |
| | 12.1 | to update the Board on changes to the Governing Body Endorsement Requirements; and | Karen Moorhouse |
| | 12.2 | for the Board to consider and, if thought appropriate, approve changes to the Quota and Non Federation Trained Rules <i>Paper attached.</i> | |
| Chief Executive Officer & Quadrant Reports | | | |
| 13.0 | | Chief Executive Officer's Report <i>Paper by Ralph Rimmer.</i> | |
| 14.0 | | Chief Commercial Officer's Quadrant Report <i>Paper by Mark Foster.</i> | |
| 15.0 | | Chief Regulatory Officer's Quadrant Report <i>Paper by Karen Moorhouse.</i> | |
| 16.0 | | Chief Operating Officer's Quadrant Report <i>Paper by Tony Sutton.</i> | |
| 17.0 | | Chief On-Field Officer's Quadrant Report <i>Paper by Dave Rotheram.</i> | |

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| 18.0 | | <p>RFL Operational Plan 2020 The purpose of this agenda item is to provide the Board with an update on the progress of the Operational Plan.</p> <p><i>Paper by Alison O'Brien.</i></p> | |
| Other | | | |
| 19.0 | | <p>Litigation The purpose of this agenda item is to provide the Board with an update on existing or pending litigation.</p> <p><i>Paper by Matthew Barnes.</i></p> | |
| 20.0 | | <p>Board Sub-Committee Minutes The purpose of this agenda item is to receive minutes and/or Chair reports from any Sub-Committee meetings or Club meetings held within the period.</p> <p><i>Remuneration Committee – 27 May 2020</i> <i>Audit & Risk Committee – 27 May 2020</i></p> | |
| 21.0 | | <p>Rugby League World Cup 2021 Limited The purpose of this agenda item is to keep the Board appropriately updated on RLWC2021.</p> <p><i>None within the period.</i></p> | |
| 22.0 | | <p>Risks The purpose of this agenda item is to update the Registers of any risks that arise from the meeting.</p> | |
| 23.0 | | <p>Any Other Business</p> | |
| 24.0 | | <p>Date of Next Meeting – Thursday 10 September 2020 (Dinner 9 September).</p> | |