



# AGENDA

## RFL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

**Location** RFL, Gate 13, Rowsley Street, Etihad Campus, Manchester, M11 3FF **Date & Time** 13 April 2026, 1130hrs until 1400hrs

**Present** Nigel Wood OBE, Abi Ekoku, Emma Rosewarne MBE (online), Dermot Power, Lord Jonathan Caine, Sara Symington, Martin Coyd OBE **Chair** Nigel Wood OBE

**Observers** Ed Mallaburn (online)

**In attendance** Alison O'Brien (meeting secretary), Rob Graham, Rhodri Jones, Robert Hicks (agenda item 6.0 & 8.0)

**Apologies in advance** Jo Drapier

Item No	Agenda Item		Who	Timing
1.0		<b>Declarations of Interest</b>	NJW	5 mins
2.0		<b>Minutes from the previous meeting and Action Tracker</b> <i>Draft Board Meeting minutes –</i> <i>03 March 2026 &amp; 24 March 2026</i> <i>Action Tracker – April 2026</i> <i>Copies of documents attached.</i>	NJW	10 mins
<b>Items for Discussion/Decision</b>				
3.0		<b>Governance &amp; Sport England GAP and CEO Recruitment</b> The purpose of this agenda item is to:		
	3.1	Enable Board review of progress against Governance Action Plan.	AO/AE	20 mins
	3.2	Receive update on Sport England feedback since last Board meeting and via monthly GAP meetings. <i>Copy of Governance Action Plan attached. Discussion on the day.</i>		
	3.3	Discuss and receive an update on CEO Recruitment.	Nomco	
		<b>FOR DISCUSSION</b>		
4.0		<b>Finance Update</b>		

		<p>The purpose of this agenda item is to review the Financial Information Pack and to receive updates on Club Sustainability, Championship Finance, and Salary Cap Proposal.</p> <p><i>Copy of Financial Information Pack attached.</i></p> <p><b>FOR DISCUSSION</b></p>	RG	20 mins
5.0		<p><b>WRPL Licence Agreement</b></p> <p><i>Board Update</i></p> <p><b>FOR DISCUSSION</b></p>	AE/MC	10 mins
6.0		<p><b>Recapitalisation</b></p> <p><i>Board Update</i></p> <p><i>Presentation and discussion on the day.</i></p> <p><b>FOR DISCUSSION</b></p>	RJ/RH	20 mins
7.0		<p><b>Grading Update</b></p> <p>The purpose of this agenda item is to receive an update on grading in 2026 including a risk analysis of the implications of the current modelling.</p> <p><i>Presentation and discussion on the day.</i></p> <p><b>FOR DISCUSSION</b></p>	AO	20 mins
8.0		<p><b>Regulatory Meeting Update</b></p> <p><i>Board Update</i></p> <p><i>Presentation and discussion on the day.</i></p> <p><b>FOR DISCUSSION</b></p>	RH	20 mins
9.0		<p><b>Inclusion Board</b></p> <p><i>Board discussion on the day.</i></p> <p><b>FOR DISCUSSION</b></p>	AE/ER	10 mins
<b>Reports</b>				
10.0		<b>Insight Report</b>		
<b>Other</b>				
11.0		<b>Risks</b>		

		<p>The purpose of this agenda item is to note any new risks arising from the meeting.</p> <p><i>Copy of Risk Register dashboard attached.</i></p>	All	
12.0		<p><b>Any Other Business</b></p> <p>England Head Coach Update Honours Update PACE Board Invitation RFL Archive</p>	<p>AE/NJW/SS AE AE AE</p>	
13.0		<p><b>Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b></p>		