



TRUSTEES REPORT MARCH 2021

Mike Coyne, Chair, welcomed Trustees to the meeting and accepted the declarations of interest made.

In considering the Association's financial position, Trustees:

- Received an update from the Commercial Director, including new leads and new projects for sponsorship
- Agreed to review requests for refunds from schools seeking a return of fees for competitions not held in 20/21, rather than the fee being rolled forward
- Agreed payments to Members based on their progress through local restructure

In considering the Association's staffing, Trustees:

- Approved adjustments to the partial furlough arrangements for staff
- Concluded the staff restructure process

In considering the Association's policy position, Trustees:

- Approved an update to the equality and diversity policy statement

In considering the Association's sponsorship and partnership arrangements, Trustees:

- Received an update on ongoing negotiations with The FA
- Heard of the work undertaken on behalf of sponsors

In considering the Association's progress against its business plan, Trustees:

- Considered the delays of the development of the IT system, and the implications
- Reviewed the impact of previous suspension of Association in breach of ESFA constitutional rules
- Received the evaluation of the 19/20 national finals, carried forward to October 202, and were pleased that participants remained highly satisfied, particularly with the covid-security precautions put in place
- Heard feedback from the latest round of consultation on rep football reform

In considering the Association's governance arrangements, Trustees:

- Received the routine safeguarding report
- Noted the ongoing vacancy for the post of Honorary Auditor, and referred the matter to Council.

Finally, Trustees reviewed all decisions taken during the meeting from a safeguarding and equality and diversity perspective to double-check that appropriate consideration had been given in each case. Trustees conducted their routine review of risks facing the Association.