Meeting: Triathlon England Council (TEC)
Venue: BTF, Michael Pearson East, 1 Oakwood Drive, Loughborough LE11 3QF

Date: Saturday 9th Feb 19, Time: 9.00 am-12.30 pm.

Present: Jamie Gordon (JG)- Chair, Janice Goble (JGob), Sarah Taylor Hough (STH), Jane Wild (JW), Jonathan Davies (JD), Bill James (BJ), Duncan Hough (DH), Chris Hall (CH)

Apologies: Santi Brage (SB), Debbie Clarke (DC), Mark Summerson (MS)

BTF staff present: Matt Macken (MM) (minutes), Natalie Justice-Dearn (NJD)

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<th>Agenda Items</th>
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<td>1 Apologies for absence and declarations of interest</td>
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<td>Apologies were received from SB, DC, MS. There was no declaration of interests.</td>
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<td>2 Minutes of last meeting (22nd Sept 2018) to be approved and updates any action points assigned to members received.</td>
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<td>The minutes from the last meeting were approved. No action points from last meeting. Chair acknowledged the success of TS during her time as chair and thanked TS for her hard work.</td>
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3 Regions Update

The Council updated each other on their region’s objectives for 2019/2020. Finances and funding was discussed. Committee structures and post vacancies. They also discussed what is going well in their regions, what challenges are being faced and any support that is needed.

4 What is the Role of Council?

The chair called for a debate as to what the Council are for and to redefine what the role of the council is. All agreed that the role of the council is to be the voice of the members and regions. To support the organisations values and strategic plan.

5 Define Council Objectives 2019/20

The council discussed possible objectives and looked back at what has been learnt from the past and where to build going forwards into 2019/20. The council agreed that they will support TE with the core objectives of the strategy document and they will form a more consistent relationship with Triathlon Trust. To have a more consistency of approach with the regions. Being stronger through better co-ordination. Remaining being the voice for members, age groupers and clubs.

6 Innovation Fund

In December, four objectives came out of the application:
- Was it sustainable?
- Was it a pilot that could be re-applied to other regions?
- Did the regions have reserves?
- Did it fit in with the key objectives?

The council then discussed what it should be used for and possibly setting up a pilot project.
7 Aligning the Regions

The Council discussed ways in how to align the regions in a consistency point of view. From this came the discussion regarding TO kit and how regions have different kit, the Council would like to improve this and have a more consistent kit for the TO’s. Also to review the bursaries policies across regions.

The Council also discussed roles/responsibilities. The Council discussed GDPR and how members are missing out because they have ‘opted out’ of receiving emails but may not know how much they are missing by doing so - this needs to be reviewed.

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8 AOB including time and date of next meeting

Updates to Presidential Selection Process were discussed.

JG has started a TE Council Twitter page.