



BHA Board Meeting

21 July 2020

via video conference

SUMMARY OF MATTERS TRANSACTED

Attendance	
<p><u>Present:</u> Annamarie Phelps (Chair) (AP) Atholl Duncan (AD) Sir Paul Stephenson (PS) Andrew Merriam (AM) Joe Saumarez Smith (JSS) Laura Whyte (LW) Maggie Carver (MC) Charlie Parker (CP) David Armstrong (DA) Luca Cumani (LC) Nick Rust (NR)</p>	<p>Helen Bryce – (Secretary) - All Full BHA Executive – Items 4 - 8 Brant Dunshea and Tim Naylor – Item 9 Will Lambe – Items 10 and 11 Rose Grissell – Item 10</p>

Board Item	Summary
<p>Introduction, Declarations of Interest and Chairman's Update</p>	<p><u>Chair's Activities</u> AP introduced her Chair's update.</p> <p>AP updated the Board on the appointment of the new Chief Executive. The announcement would be delayed until August at the request of the new Chief Executive.</p> <p>AP noted that the Nominations Committee would convene to consider the reappointments of the INEDs in the coming weeks.</p> <p>AP updated the Board on the Racing Forward Together workshop that had taken place the previous day facilitated by David Portas. The meeting had been well attended and received, with the next steps being to review the outcomes and plan upcoming actions.</p>
<p>Approval of Previous Minutes</p>	<p>The Board approved the minutes of the meetings held via video conference held on 26 May, 2 June, and 15 June.</p>
<p>Rolling Actions, Decisions Log and Items to Come in 2020</p>	<p>The Board noted the Rolling Actions, Decisions Log and Items to Come in 2020.</p>

<p>Covid-19 Resumption / Recovery</p>	<p>The Board received an update on progress on resumption and recovery planning being coordinated by the Executive Committee.</p> <p>The Board noted recent feedback regarding the owners' experience at racecourses.</p> <p>The Board noted progress regarding the return of crowds and the test event at Goodwood (which was later cancelled at the request of Government). Further test events would be scheduled in advance of 1 October.</p> <p>The Board discussed progress on the formation of the Fixture List for the remainder of 2020.</p>
<p>Reshaping of the BHA and priorities for the remainder of 2020</p>	<p>The Board received an update on the BHA Executive team's plans for the remainder of 2020 and noted the proposed BHA priorities and the process and timetable for implementation.</p> <p>The Board approved the proposed BHA priorities and noted the proposed savings and the revised forecast for 2020.</p>
<p>BHA Financial Update and Cashflow Forecast</p>	<p>The Board received an update on the BHA's financial position and cashflow forecast. The Board noted that the Audit & Risk Committee were satisfied with the BHA's cash flow position.</p>
<p>BHA Statutory Accounts 2019</p>	<p>The Board agreed that the BHA's 2019 Directors' report and consolidated financial statements be prepared on a going concern basis.</p> <p>The Board approved the BHA's 2019 Directors' report and consolidated financial statements and authorised the Chair or Chief Executive to sign them on behalf of the Board.</p>
<p>Chief Executive's Report</p>	<p>The Board approved the reappointments to the Ethics Committee and the Jump Pattern Committee.</p> <p>The Board approved the appointment of Sir Paul Stephenson to the Rules Committee with immediate effect for the remainder of his term of office as Independent Regulatory iNED.</p> <p>The Board supported a proposal by the Rules Committee to recruit a fourth non-executive member from a regulatory/ racing background, such proposed appointment to be presented to the Board for approval in due course.</p> <p>The Board received an update on the plans to replace the services previously provided by the Animal Health Trust (AHT). The Board noted concerns at the potential loss of disease surveillance and diagnostic services for the industry.</p>

Judicial Panel Update	The Board received an update on recent Judicial Panel enquiry results and Appeal Board hearings. It was agreed to keep the Board updated in this area.
Diversity in Racing	<p>The Board received an update on the work of the Diversity in Racing Steering Group and discussed the new Diversity Action Plan that had been produced by the group. The Board noted that Nick Rust had stepped down as chair of the group and had been succeeded by Susannah Gill.</p> <p>The Board noted the diversity requirements in the Code for Sports Governance and agreed to commit to comply with these requirements on an ongoing basis.</p> <p>The Board supported the Diversity Action Plan in general and approved the proposed actions that related specifically to the BHA Board.</p>
Brexit	The Board received an update on Brexit and the impact of a No Deal scenario on the Horseracing industry.
Modern Slavery Statement	The Board discussed the proposed Modern Slavery Statement in relation to statutory requirements on the BHA. The final version would be circulated for Board approval prior to publishing on the BHA's website.
AOB	<p>(a) <u>Board Effectiveness Review</u> The Board NOTED the timetable for the Board Effectiveness Review.</p> <p>(b) <u>Board Standing Committees and Advisory Groups Report</u> The Board NOTED the report.</p>