



Cricket Scotland Holdings Limited (“CSHL”)

Minute of the 10th AGM of Cricket Scotland Holdings Limited (“CSHL”) held on August 20th 2020.
Via Zoom Conference Call

Present:

S Strachan (President Elect) – Chair of AGM
AGS Brian (Chair of CSL)
A J Mackay (Director & CEO)
D Johnson (CS Financial Controller)

Representatives of Clubs, Leagues and Associations.

East of Scotland Cricket Association (P Kingsbury)
North East SCIO (I Stephen)
North of Scotland Cricket Association (C Blake)
Strathmore and Perthshire Cricket Union (R Milne)
Western District Cricket Union (M Colman)
Murrayfield DAFS (P Yelland)
West of Scotland CC (D Lockhart)
Ross County CC (J Bishop)
Grange CC (N Leitch)
Kilmarnock CC (M Colman)
Edinburgh South CC (B Polson)
Rossie Priory CC (R McFarlane)
Clydesdale CC (C Mitchell)
Dumfries CC (S Strachan)
Stewarts Melville CC (R Barclay)
Penicuik CC (P Kingsbury)

Personal Members – David Hays, Jim McClymont

Others Present – Shane Burger, Paul Macari, Nicola Wilson (All Cricket Scotland), Sheelagh Duffield (CSL Director), Andrew Brock (CSHL Director).

1. Opening remarks

The President Elect, Sue Strachan welcomed and thanked all those present at the AGM. She introduced the two new members of the Board of CSHL, Chris Blake and Andrew Brock. She then thanked the departed Board members, Paul Reddish and Tina Macabhuinn, for their hard work and contribution to the Board.

2. Apologies

Apologies had been intimated from G Burns, A Cutter, L Cutter, I Ramage, Livingston CC & Perth Doo’cot CC.

Sue Strachan (SS) then read an apology from Willie Donald (WD), President, due to health concerns.

He indicated that he had enjoyed his term as president, it had been a pleasure to be able to visit many cricket grounds around the country, re-kindling old friendships, and particularly the Scottish Cup hosted by Ferguslie CC.

The CSHL Board has introduced an agenda item “Health of the Game” to look at improving the game and, as part of that, the Disciplinary Report, that many have contributed to, was produced by Ian Stephen.

Although this AGM relates to 2019, it is difficult not to comment on the events of 2020 which have rudely interrupted the



progress that Cricket Scotland has made over the last five years. The challenges of the last six months have been met magnificently and there is confidence that the quality of Cricket Scotland staff and the Boards will allow that to continue.

He thanked the members of the CSHL Board for their support over the last two years, and those at Aberdeenshire CC. He wished everyone involved in clubs the best of luck with the challenges ahead.

Sue expressed everyone's thanks to Willie and the meeting passed on their best wishes for the future.

3. Previous Minutes

WD presented the minutes of the 9th Annual General Meeting of Cricket Scotland Holdings Limited held on **Wednesday 12th March 2019** at Stirling County CC. The minutes were proposed for acceptance by R MacFarlane and seconded by AGS Brian, and accepted as an accurate reflection by the membership.

4. President's Report

SS indicated that she would not be able to do justice to the report in the absence of WD so re-iterated the best wishes of everyone at the meeting.

AGS Brian informed the meeting that The Basil D'Oliveira Trophy, normally awarded by the President at the AGM, had already been presented at the CS Awards Night.

5. 2019 Annual Report presented by Gus Mackay (CEO, Cricket Scotland)

Gus Mackay (GM) addressed the meeting and introduced the Annual Report that had been made available to members on the Cricket Scotland website in the week prior to the meeting and highlighted various items on the report.

R Barclay commented on the possibility of a national facility and hoped that there would be more success than the previous efforts. He also commented that the centre at MES, where access is restricted to outside normal working hours, does not suit a professional set-up.

6. Receipt of the accounts for Cricket Scotland Holdings Ltd

CS Financial Controller, David Johnson (DJ) spoke to the accounts of CSHL for the 2019 financial year.

The membership approved the accounts by proxy vote, prior to the meeting.

David also presented on the accounts of CSL for information.

Mark Colman asked what the future held for CS, particularly in 2021. David indicated that, assuming the funding from our two major partners, the ICC and Sportscotland, stayed constant, we would be likely to achieve the usual target of break-even.

Ryan Milne queried the level of Trade Debtors and whether the ICC HP Funding was ring-fenced. David indicated that the monies owed by the ICC and Afghanistan as at 31st December were paid in January and March respectively and that the ICC Funding was ring-fenced and needed to be spent on the projects that CS had identified to the ICC.

Sue thanked David for his efforts throughout the year.



7. To confirm the level of Subscriptions for 2020

It was proposed by Cricket Scotland (Gus Mackay – CEO, CSL and Tony Brian – Chair, CSL) that the subscriptions to Cricket Scotland Holdings be made free for 2020, given the current crisis. This was approved by proxy, prior to the meeting.

It was also proposed by Cricket Scotland (Gus Mackay – CEO, CSL and Tony Brian – Chair, CSL) that the Personal Membership subscription be made free for 2020, with any subscriptions collected treated as payment for 2021. This was approved by proxy, prior to the meeting.

8. Confirmation of election of President

Sue Strachan was confirmed by the membership, by proxy, as President for 2020/22 and welcomed into the post by the Tony Brian.

Sue then made a short statement indicating that she was honoured to have been appointed as President and she would do her best to protect and celebrate the rich history and tradition of the game in Scotland, whilst taking the game forward. Supporting the clubs will be her top priority and by doing that this will help us to make Cricket mainstream and appeal to as many people as possible, no matter their background or circumstance. The current crisis has held up her wish to visit as many clubs and people as possible, but that was still the aim. She hoped to build on the work of the previous incumbents of this office and thanked those who nominated and voted for her.

9. Election of a CSHL Board Member

No nominations had been received, so the next CSHL Board meeting will discuss appointing a suitable candidate.

10. Any other competent business

Tony Brian informed the meeting that Bob MacFarlane would be stepping down as Director of the CSL and CSHL at the end of this meeting. Bob was elected to the Board as president in 2010 and had been elected by the members each time he stood ever since. His knowledge of club cricket has been invaluable to both boards, as was his wise and considered counsel. After receiving a quail as a farewell gift, Bob thanked the AGM indicating that it had been extremely enjoyable to be a part of the organisation. An open invitation was extended to visit Rossie Priory to watch a game, with the offer of a nip of whisky as an enticement.

Neil Leitch also indicated that there would be no-one inducted to the Hall of Fame in 2020.

Meeting Closed at 18.18pm.