Guernsey Athletics Club LBG.
(the "**Club**")

Registered Office: Garenne Stand, Footes Lane, St Peter Port, Guernsey, GY13YP
Registration No 59164

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF GUERNSEY ATHLETICS CLUB HELD AT GARENNE STAND, FOOTES LANE, ST PETER PORT, GUERNSEY, GY13YP 21 May 2025 AT 1800 (THE "AGM")

PRESENT:	Robin Cowling (RC) Christian Gillman (CG) Graham Merfield (GM) Liz Powell (LP) Andrew Senneck (AS)
APOLOGIES:	Joe Truelove (JT) Matt Mason (MM)
IN ATTENDANCE:	Tom Druce (TD) - Athletics Development Officer Paul Ingrouille Michael Way Beth Powell Michelle Galpin
CHAIR:	It was agreed that the Chairman for the AGM be GM (the "**Chair**").
SECRETARY:	It was agreed that the Secretary for the AGM be GM(the "**Secretary**").
QUORUM:	There being a quorum present, the Chair declared the AGM open. **IT WAS NOTED THAT** notice of the AGM had been provided to all those entitled to receive it.

1. Apologies

Apologies were received from JT and MM.

2. Approval of the minutes of the previous AGM held on Wednesday 4 March 2024

Approved

3. Matters arising from minute

None

Chair - opening remarks

GM thanked those present for attending the AGM as well as volunteers, coaches, officials, the board and club admin team.

Performance - GM commented on the high level of performance achieved across the board from Olympic level to local and off island track & field, road running and cross country.

Participation - GM commented that membership is strong and growing and there is increased participation in club events. Initiatives are being launched to increase participation by partially sighted and disabled athletes.

Athlete for life - GM commented that numbers have increased in Colts and U13s and we believe that the new coaching structure is working for young athletes. An over 50s mile series was launched.

GM indicated that the focus for 2025 would be on:

Governance and administration (RC)

Volunteer coordination (TD)

Broaden the club reach into the community (TD)

Strengthen the coaching structure (TD)

4. Consideration and approval of treasurers report and accounts for 2024

The Board of Directors have previously approved the circulated draft accounts.

The draft accounts and the unaudited 2024 financial statement are available on the GAC website.

GM offered thanks to Andrew Senneck and Sarah Hancock for their efforts and support with the accounting.

There were no accounting policy changes in 2024.

No opposition to the approval of the accounts was received and the unaudited financial reports and accounts were approved.

5. Athletics Report

The Athletics Development Officer report for 2024 is available on the GAC website.

TD commented on the success of Ala Chalmers to be selected for the Olympics.

TD commented on the club coaching structure and how it can flex as needs change e.g. recent changes in sprints coaching.

TD also mentioned the sports commission report.

6. Member approval to waive external audit

Approved with no objections.

7. Re-election of the Board of Directors:

i. Graham Merfield – Chairman
ii. Andrew Senneck - Treasurer
iii. Robin Cowling – Company Secretary and Legal Director
iv. Matt Mason – Safeguarding, Welfare and Child Protection Director
v. Joe Truelove – Sponsorship and Marketing Director
vi. Liz Powell – HR & Operations Director
vii. Christian Gillman – Endurance Director

All Directors were re-elected without objection.

8. Member questions to the Board

Discussion on the initiatives planned for 2025 to encourage more coaches to join and increase the number of volunteers.

Beth commented that the perception of the time involved to qualify as a coach might be higher than reality.

RC suggested developing and communicating on a pathway to becoming a coach and potentially some of the other volunteer roles e.g. track officials.

Beth commented that the breadth of events that U13s can participate in is not carried into older age groups and suggested that this be given cons

9. Any Other Business

None

Meeting closed at 18.42