

National Council Agenda 13 April 2024



Location - Hybrid Meeting	<p>In Person: TTE Boardroom, TTE Offices, Loughton Lodge, Bradwell Road, Milton Keynes MK8 9LA</p> <p>On-line: Register in advance for this meeting: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAsc-CgqzsvEtcSjtGpT-ySMNW3DKtjNtZ1</p> <p>After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.</p>	
Chair	Neil Hurford	Start Time: 10am
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Notes by the Chair of National Council explaining the agenda items and papers are provided at the end of this agenda. All reports are posted on the Table Tennis England website as soon as they are available.

<https://tabletennisengland.co.uk/our-sport/national-council-papers/>

If any papers are delayed, they will be sent out / available on the website ASAP. The meeting will be recorded in order to help ensure an accurate record of the meeting.

No	Item	Who	Approx Time
1	Introduction and Welcome by the Chair a) Registration of any New Business Interests b) Minute's Silence	Chair	1000
2	Approval of the Minutes of Meeting 27 Jan 2024	Chair	1005
3	Actions and Matters Arising (not covered elsewhere on the agenda).	Chair & Various	1010
4	Introduction and welcome to TTE Chair	Nick Donald	1015
5	Table Tennis England Update	Adrian Christy	1030
6	Articles & Regulations Index Summary	Jo Keay-Blyth	1100
7	Diversity & Inclusion and Investing in People	Emma Sutherland	1115
8	A More Autonomous National Council and Further Governance Reform	Nick Donald & Alan Ransome	1145
	Lunch Break		1230
9	Affiliation & Membership – Follow-up to Discussion at Jan meeting	All	1315
10	Reports of Select Committees a) Constitution b) Competitions c) Disability	Alan Ransome Alan Ransome Karen Tonge	1345
11	Yorkshire County Centenary Celebrations	Chair	1415
12	Arrangements for Election of NC Chair 2024/25	All	1425
13	Dates for Next Meeting	Chair	1430
14	Any Other Business	All	1435
15	Meeting Closure	Chair	1445

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Annotations to the Agenda by the Chair of National Council

Start Time of Meeting – Please note the revised start time of 10am, which is half-an-hour earlier than stated in the Preliminary Letter.

Agenda item 1 – If you would like a member of the table tennis family who has passed away to be formally remembered at Council, please email Sue Wressell before the meeting. The names of those to be remembered are given in the CEO's update.

Agenda item 2 – The Minutes of the Meeting held on 27 January were circulated after the last meeting. A few comments and corrections were received which have all been incorporated into the revised version published on the website.

Agenda item 3 – An update on the actions from the last meeting has been posted on the National Council page on the Table Tennis England website.

Agenda item 4 – The new Chair of Table Tennis England will provide a brief introduction.

Agenda item 5 – The CEO will provide an update on various TTE issues. There will be the opportunity to ask questions.

Agenda item 6 – Jo Keay-Blyth will provide an update on any recent changes to the Regulations.

Agenda item 7 – This is an important part of the Table Tennis United strategy. Accordingly, I have asked Emma Sutherland (Head of People) to provide an overview of the important steps that Table Tennis England are taking in this area.

Agenda item 8 – The Chair of Table Tennis England will outline his thoughts on how National Council can become more autonomous within the context of further governance reform. In addition, the Select Committee on the Constitution will provide further guidance on the practicalities of how we can move towards a more autonomous National Council.

Agenda item 9 – We had a useful discussion on the challenges faced by Counties. As part of the continuing discussion of this issue, we can discuss issues arise from the paper provided by Andrew Wilesmith on membership.

Agenda item 10 – The Select Committees will present their reports.

Agenda item 11 - In April, Yorkshire will be celebrating the Centenary. Yorkshire was the first County Association to be formed. They have been able to use their Centenary celebrations to secure development funding from various sources. It occurs to me that over the next few years other County Associations will be celebrating various anniversaries of their formation – if not, 100 years, then perhaps 75 or 50 years – and following Yorkshire's example this may provide an opportunity for development funding.

Agenda item 12 - We will need to confirm the arrangements for the election of Chair for the 2024/25 season in-line with our Standing Orders.

Agenda item 13 – Date of Next Meeting. I have previously suggested Sat 6th July as a suitable date. But I have been informed that this clashes with the World Veterans Championships. Sat 22nd June and Sat 29th June are alternatives we should consider. Please have your diaries available so that we can agree a mutually convenient date. The Table Tennis England AGM is scheduled for Saturday 20th July.