

# MAG Update Note for National Council – June 2020

## MAG Meetings

MAG held its third meeting of the season at the beginning of May. This was held as an on-line meeting. The feedback on the on-line approach was entirely positive. It avoided the need for costly and time-consuming travel whilst not restricting the ability to discuss issues in depth. It is now expected that most MAG meetings will be held on-line. We have subsequently held project meetings on-line.

Topics discussed at the meeting included – Coronavirus Update, MAG Ways of Working, Engagement with the Wider TT Community, Projects Update, Recruitment of New Members of MAG, MAG Annual Report.

The next meeting will be at the beginning of July – again, on-line.

## MAG Membership

Three members of MAG have stood down – Brian Keen, Raj Patel and Craig Bryant. A recruitment process is underway. An initial announcement about the recruitment of new MAG members appeared on the TTE website in the middle of May. The formal application process was published at the beginning of June. The deadline for applications is 19<sup>th</sup> June. We hope to have the new members in place by early/mid June.

## Engagement with the Wider Community

This is currently MAG's top priority. All counties have been contacted via their National Councillor suggesting an on-line discussion to outline MAG's work programme and to listen to suggestions about how we can best engage with counties, leagues and the wider TT community.

As of the time of writing this report, we have already had a number of responses and an on-line meeting with Hertfordshire has been arranged for later in June.

As part of our project on Clubs, we will be undertaking a similar engagement exercise.

## Projects Update

### *Current Projects*

- Volunteering – an interim report had been drafted on which comments were being sought
- Ranking – input into the initial conclusions would be provided
- Engagement – the initial focus would be on counties & leagues and on clubs
- Changing Perceptions – a Board Working Group had been set up

### *Project Pipeline*

- IT Systems – a project brief had been prepared and has been submitted to the Board
- Coaching – two project briefs to be written. One addressing the “drop-out” rate for newly qualified coaches, and the other on how to increase the number of female coaches and coaches from minority ethnic backgrounds.

We have a full programme of work. So our feelings are that our aim should now be on completing existing projects – rather than adding new ones. But we will always be happy to receive suggestions for new projects.

### **MAG Annual Report**

This will be included in the TTE Annual Review prepared for the AGM.

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