

## MAG Update Note for National Council – September 2021

### Overview

There has been one MAG meeting during the period (12<sup>th</sup> June). Although face-to-face meetings are now possible, we expect to continue holding most of our meetings on-line with perhaps one face-to-face meeting per year. The MAG Annual Report was published in June; see below for more details.

### Projects

1. **Performance** – we have continued to engage with the Performance Team on the implementation of the Action Plan. However, with the formation of the Board Sub-Committee on Performance it is appropriate for MAG to hand over its activities in this area to the new Sub-Committee. We plan to arrange a meeting between MAG and the Sub-Committee to ensure continuity and a smooth hand-over. This doesn't preclude MAG raising new issues on the topic of Performance should the need arise.
2. **Clubs Development** – a small project team has been assembled to develop an Action Plan to take forward the issues identified in the report. The team consists of TTE staff, Board Members and MAG Members. Colin Wilson who participated in a number of the club engagement sessions has also agreed to participate.
3. **Reducing the Drop-out Rate** – we agreed to put this on hold ahead of the publication of the TASS report. Now the report has been published we will be re-starting the project.
4. **National Clubs League** –again, this has been on hold but will shortly be re-initiated.
5. **Transparency & Accountability** – the ideas from our discussion session are being developed into an Interim Report on specific steps to improve accountability & transparency.

### Engagement with the Table Tennis Community

Engagement with the various parts of the table tennis community continues, albeit at a lower level than in previous quarters. The MAG Chair was invited to be a “guest speaker” at the Wiltshire AGM in July. This provided an opportunity to outline the work of MAG to the people who make table tennis happen in Wiltshire. A similar invitation has been received from the Bath League to attend a meeting in September.

We expect to be more pro-active in our engagement activities as the season re-starts. If any Counties or Leagues would like to find out more about MAG and our future work plans – please contact the Chair of MAG

### Support for TTE Initiatives and Projects

We continue to provide support to the following TTE initiatives and projects:

- **Diversity & Inclusion** – Juliet Bertie and Steven Bertie are members of the project team. MAG members along with National Councillors attended a TTE engagement session on improving diversity and inclusion

- **Competition Review** – Neil Hurford is a member of the Competition Review Steering Group

We are happy to provide input into such initiatives and projects whenever required.

### MAG Annual Report

Ahead of the TTE AGM, MAG published an extensive, stand-alone Annual Report that described all of MAG's activities during 2020/21. This is available on the MAG pages on the TTE website. The direct link is:

<https://tabletennisengland.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/MAG-Annual-Report-2021.pdf>

There was a short 500-word summary in the TTE Annual Review.

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