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## MAG Update Note for National Council – December 2022

### Overview

There have been no MAG meetings during the period. The next meeting is planned for January

### Follow-up to TTE AGM – Arrangements for Consultation on Affiliation Fees.

MAG had submitted to the Board a suggested process and timetable for this consultation and engagement. We saw this consultation as being of critical importance. During the period, the Board confirmed its approach to this issue and the consultation is now underway. The process that the Board has outlined is in line with what we believed was required.

### Competition Review

As part of the second round of consultation on the emerging recommendations of the Competition Review, an on-line discussion was held with Neil Rogers. MAG members fed-in their views on key elements that were still to be finalised, particularly in relation to proposals relating to county championships, ELCC and strengthening competitions for cadets & juniors.

We have highlighted the issue of young girl players finding it difficult to secure initial ranking points. This has been fed-in to the Ranking Committee and a series of “starter-point” events has been identified that should resolve this issue.

A separate discussion session was also held to discuss how the conclusions of the MAG Report on Tournaments aligned with the Competition Review. We look forward to seeing the next draft of the recommendations.

### Table Tennis United

We have welcomed the development of the TTE Strategy Reset and particularly in its current form under the banner of “Table Tennis United”. We recognise that the structural changes that are proposed will have an impact on governance across TTE and also affect MAG. A preliminary discussion with the CEO was held the end of November to share thoughts and perspectives on the evolving strategy.

### Projects Update – Director Appointment Process

We have been asked by Table Tennis England to lead a project on Director Appointments. There are two aims to the project. Firstly, to investigate whether there are any ways of simplifying the appointment/election processes for Directors to reduce burdens on TTE staff and volunteers. Secondly, how the appointment/election processes might be aligned with the TTE governance year (ie from the conclusion of the TTE Annual General Meeting). We intend to involve National Councillors in this project as there is a wealth of experience on governance and administration issues within National Council. This will no doubt be discussed elsewhere on the agenda of the National Council meeting.

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