

## ACTION LIST FROM NATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING - 29 MARCH 2025

(Updated May 2025)

No	Action	Owner	Time	Outcome
1	Richard Scruton to return to update NC on World team Championships 2026	NH/RS	End of Year	In hand
2	Share stake-holder engagement document after review	SL	When available	Awaiting publication of review
3	Respond to VETTS MoU re "In Good Standing"	SL	Asap	Awaiting response from TTE
4	Revert to NC with proposals on making the finances more transparent	PB	Ongoing	Awaiting proposals
5	County Administrators Handbook	NH/EW	Ongoing	Handbook being drafted
6	Update Standing Orders	Led by NH	By next meeting	Revised draft produced
7	National Councillors can invite their Deputies and/or guests but should inform NH/SV	NC	Ongoing	Noted
8	Publish papers earlier. Request for better flow of information.	NH/SV	Ongoing	Noted
9	Report on outcome of talks re In Good Standing	SL/SV	Next meeting	Awaiting response from TTE
10	Examine proposal for a Task and Finish group on girls' competitions and rankings	RV/AW	Next meeting	In hand
11	Ask Tier 1 Comp Com to reconsider role of Conferences, eg County & BL, re regulation changes.	RV>Tier 1 Com	Next meeting	In hand
12	'Lessons Learnt' for National Series going forward	RV>Tier 1 Com	Next meeting	Done

13	Query with JKB the role, position and function of flow chart for changes to regulations.	NH	Next meeting	Done
14	Query with JKB lack of consultation re Reg changes	NH	Next meeting	Done
15	Inform JKB of errors on website	NH	Next meeting	Done
16	Compile concerns relating to process and detail of reg changes	CE and others	On-going	Done
17	Progress election for National Council Chair	SV	Report at next NC	In hand
18	Dates for future meetings	NH/SV	Report at next meeting	Done

## Appendix A – Progress on Actions

### March Meeting

#### **Action 1 – Richard Scruton to Return to update NC on World team Championships 2026**

In hand. NH will contact Richard Scruton at the start of next season to seek his view on when an update would be appropriate.

#### **Action 2 - Share stake-holder engagement document after review**

On hold. Awaiting publication of the review.

#### **Action 3 - Respond to VETTS MoU re “In Good Standing”**

VETTS have submitted a draft MoU to Table Tennis England. A response is awaited.

#### **Action 4 - Revert to NC with proposals on making the finances more transparent**

Awaiting Proposals. Awaiting suggestions from Paul Bishop about the format of financial information to be shared with National Council.

#### **Action 5 - County Administrators Handbook**

In hand. This is being drafted by Estyn Williams with input from Neil Hurford, Dave Edwards, Stuart Mylrea, John Andrews and TTE staff. Tony Catt has provided a paper that provides information about what is in the Sussex County Handbook.

#### **Action 6 - Update Standing Orders**

In progress. A revised draft has been produced. The opportunity has been taken to update the “National Council – How it Works” document to reflect the way that National Council currently works. The proposed revised drafts will be submitted to the June meeting for comment.

#### **Action 7 - National Councillors can invite their Deputies and/or guests but should inform NH/SV**

Done. National Councillors can now invite a “guest” from their county but should advise NH/SV in advance.

#### **Action 8 - Publish papers earlier. Request for better flow of information**

Done. Papers are now being published as soon as they are available.

#### **Action 9 - Report on outcome of talks re In Good Standing**

Awaiting a response from Table Tennis England to the draft MoU submitted by VETTS.

#### **Action 10 - Examine proposal for a Task and Finish group on girls’ competitions and rankings**

In hand. The issue of creating additional competitive opportunities for girls was discussed at the Competitions Committee. A girls-only competition will be piloted in Cadet BCL in 2024/25 - <https://www.tabletennisengland.co.uk/cadet-british-clubs-league-girls-only-section-to-launch-next-season/> . Creating additional opportunities for girls within Junior BCL was also being considered. There are various issues relating to diversity and equal opportunities that are currently being evaluated.

#### **Action 11 - Ask Tier 1 Comp Com to reconsider role of Conferences, eg County & BL, re regulation changes**

In hand. This issue was discussed at the Competitions Committee. Andrew Wilesmith will produce a paper on the application of TTE governance procedures to the County Championships and BCL

Conferences. This would make it clear what issues could be decided at these Conferences and which issues need to go through the standard Board approval processes.

**Action 12 - 'Lessons Learnt' for National Series going forward**

Done. A paper was discussed at the Competitions Committee which summarised the lessons learnt from the first year of the National Series. The changes that would be made to the National Series next season were broadly in-line with what was recommended by the Select Committee. In particular, all matches would be played at two club venues in the middle of the country.

**Action 13 - Query with JKB the role, position and function of flow chart for changes to regulations**

Done. JKB has confirmed that the flow chart supplied for the March NC meeting correctly describes the revised approval process for changes to Regulations. This flowchart will be added to the Terms of Reference of the Tier 1 Committees when their ToRs are reviewed following the recent external Board evaluation process.

**Action 14 - Query with JKB lack of consultation re Reg changes**

Done. JKB has confirmed that all the agreed processes for consultation on Regulation changes have been followed. Both the Disciplinary Regulations and the Affiliation Regulation were reviewed as outlined in the Regulation changes section in the [CEO Update February 2025](#). All changes to the Regulations are agreed by the Governance & Risk Committee and then forwarded to the Board for approval.

**Action 15 - Inform JKB of errors on website**

Done. The specific questions raised on Insurances have been referred to Jo Keay-Blyth who has provided answers to the questions raised. The out-of-date reference on the TTE website to "Registered Clubs" which implied that Registered Clubs had Public Liability Insurance has been corrected. The relevant pages on the TTE now make it clear that it is only Associate and Premier Clubs that have Public Liability Insurance.

**Action 16 - Compile concerns relating to process and detail of reg changes**

Done. Clive Ellison compiled the concerns he outlined at the meeting into written queries to JKB. JKB has replied directly to Clive. JKB has explained that the changes that have been made are in response to the practical problems that have arisen in recent years in relation to the membership renewal process. Issues relating to Coaches and Visiting Players will be considered at the next review of the relevant regulations. Coaches were addressed in the affiliation regulations as previously it was not clear that coaches needed to affiliate with Table Tennis England.

**Action 17 - Progress election for National Council Chair**

In hand. SV is liaising with David Hockney who has agreed to manage the election process on behalf of National Council.

**Action 18 - Dates for future meetings**

Done. Provisional dates for the September and January are as follows.

- Saturday 27 September 2025
- Saturday 24 January 2026

These dates will be confirmed at the June and September meetings respectively. The dates of March/April 2026 meeting and the June/July 2026 meeting are still to be agreed.

## **January Meeting**

### **Action 2 - Share information about result of survey on AGM date change**

Done. This was provided in the CEO verbal report to the March meeting. 50 per cent of respondents to the consultation preferred weekdays and 30 per cent Saturdays with a 51:49 divide on whether it would impact on attendance.

### **Action 12 - Clubs missing from Club Finder/need to submit returns**

Done. A Help Guide for Club Admins has been drafted and sent to Table Tennis England to be published in a suitable location on the TTE website. The issue of League Admins not being able to see the "Locator Preferences" of clubs affiliated to their League has been raised with the Table Tennis England Helpdesk with the suggestion that it is referred to Sport80 to be resolved.

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