

BRITISH GLIDING ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE BRITISH GLIDING ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THE 12th MAY 2026

PRESENT

George Metcalfe – Chair
Tim Barnes
Chris Fox
Paul Jessop
Craig Lowrie
James Moore
Ellen Packham
Matt Page

IN ATTENDANCE

Sam Lazenby - Treasurer and Company Secretary
Pete Stratten - Chief Executive Officer

APOLOGIES

Mark Fielding
Lucy Wootton

21/26 PREVIOUS MEETING NOTES

The meeting notes of the 31st March 2026 were approved.

22/26 INSURANCE UPDATE

Pete Stratten noted that renewal quotes had been accepted and that the insurance broker had responded noting that the renewal would be put in place and they will respond with the documents nearer to the renewal date.

Status: Closed

23/26 RESERVE POLICY

Sam Lazenby spoke to a presentation that included details of cash balance, working capital, known costs, business activity, and a resulting example retained contingency minimum reserve. Those present discussed the details, including that significant events occur that cannot be forecast citing the covid pandemic as an example. It was noted that more information is required about potential significant costs and that the sub-committee chairs would be approached for their input. Pete Stratten agreed to circulate the 2007 reserve policy document developed by a previous BGA treasurer.

Status: Open Due: June 2026 Action: Matt Page, Pete Stratten

24/26 LOANS

George Metcalfe updated the meeting noting previous discussion on the topic of loans in support of BGA club site security. Those present discussed how the need for a loan by a club may emerge, potential fund source options and criteria, governance options and criteria, and draft terms and conditions. It was agreed that there is a need to review the discussion outcomes to develop options for Executive Committee consideration. Noting the value of clubs having access to current grant and other funding guidance, it was agreed that point would be passed to the Development Committee. It was agreed that the mind maps from the discussion would be circulated. A short discussion took place regarding gift aid and Craig Lowrie agreed to consider HMRC guidance.

Status: Closed Status: Open Due: June 2026 Action: Chris Fox, George Metcalfe, Craig Lowrie

25/26 AOB

a. Competition Committee. Competition Committee meeting notes were accepted with thanks.

There is a placeholder for an Executive Committee meeting on the 9th June 2026.