

Tees River Users Trust Limited

(Registration number 04179273) (The “Company”)

Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company held at River Tees Watersports’ Centre on 16th February 2026.

Present:		Action
	Ralph Pickles British Rowing Richard Olver Tees Rowing Club Mark Trodden Centre Manager Emma Dineen G B Outriggers John Green TRUT President Sylvia Coe Tees Wheelyboats Club Tony Atherton ex-officio	
1	Apologies: received from: Colin Smith Powerhouse Dragon Boat Club Neil Mitchell Stockton Borough Council Michelle McCluskey British Dragonboat Association Absent: Emma Kirk Tees Tigers Alastair Rowell Tees Tigers Association	
2	Declarations of Interest: None	
3	Minutes of the previous meeting. The minutes previously issued were accepted as a correct record.	
	Key AOB The new Employment Rights Act (ERA) brings major changes to UK employment law in 2026 and we need to ensure that we are compliant. RO to solicit help from Shelly Woodhouse who has agreed to offer advice then MT and RO will need to provide her with a list of employees. Contracts are needed for all employees, Casual contracts are not allowed from 2027 FB has not been updated for years but the password issue has now been sorted and MM agreed to liaise with MT and either update or renew the FB page JJG has agreed to stay on the committee until after the Tees AGM.	RO MM/MT
4	Matters arising– Agenda items from this meeting are incorporated in matters arising where there is a common item for clarity.	
	(i) To receive a report from the Centre Manager <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Bar extension Building Regs and Planning permissions approved with one or two minor questions now being resolved. Further plans as requested were submitted on Thursday 12th February. 	RP
	(ii) Asset Management and Capital Plans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Balcony leaks – Advice from David Owens will be circulated. Short term plan for members to make repairs. Longer term will try to raise funds for a more in-depth solution. RO will co-ordinate a working party when the weather and light improves and a final plan on products and method is agreed. ● Solar panels – display in foyer – £15k saved however display only shows on Alan's phone! The issue with the WiFi preventing Harvey's from sorting the display has now been resolved, MT will attempt to get them back in for another try. 	RO MT

	<p>(iii) Monthly accounts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Financial position depreciated notably, a deeper dive is required to fully understand where the changes lie. RO will pick up next month when we have the full year accounts. Another full bar audit is required for the EOY accounts, MT will complete. 	<p>RO MT</p>
	<p>(iv) Anti-social behaviour</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> This is ongoing and is being picked up by MT in his Centre Managers report. He has made contacts with various bodies including Rachael Scott. 	
	<p>(v) Statutory Timetable and monthly activities Up to date</p>	
	<p>(vi) Any other business.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communications – The TRUT Web Site should have a Members’ Area where faults and comments can be recorded and Policies listed. Once in place the faults book can be discontinued. River camera link on site to be loaded. However the website is in need of updating. TA has agreed to liaise with MT on this. Car Park listing. The Car Park company has changed the way in which cars are registered with an issue that registrations expire after 2 years. We need to know if we can upload a spreadsheet with all registrations at the end of the 2 years. We now have a listing of all cars on the system. RO will circulate it to Clubs and ask that names of leavers be identified. Complaints by local residents about youths. Neil Mitchell suggests Police should lead the meeting. RP has written to the relevant Police Officer to request a meeting be set up with no reply. Neil will chase up Up-coming events – Dragonboat Regatta -3rd May TRC Regatta 16th May. Tees Tigers membership. Invoices are not being paid and there seems to be little activity meanwhile Stockton and Thornaby Kayak Club are considering moving here. RO has tried to make contact with Emma Kirk and Alister Rowell by phone and email without success. MT will make contact with the canoe club. Matter is ongoing. Function room heating – plan to remove the low-level leaking radiators and update the heating system. Alan has an option for electrical heating. Bank Cheque signatories – need to be updated – suggest RO, RP and one other – rarely needed these days but must be current. End of year budget was produced by RO and agreed by all present. 	<p>MT/TA RO/MT NM RO RO/MT RP RP/RO</p>
	<p>Date of Next Meeting 6.00 pm on MONDAY 20th APRIL</p>	

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Chairman of the meeting

Date 30 March