MINUTES OF THE WILTSHIRE LTA AGM Wednesday 8th December 2020 7pm for 7.30pm Via Zoom

APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Pythouse – James Carter, Chisledon TC – Julie Porte, Chippenham TC – Charles Groom

MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Minutes of the last AGM which had previously been circulated, were approved. There were no matters arising.

The adoption of last year's minutes were approved by 75% and 25% abstained.

MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising from last year's AGM.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The report of the Chairman, Philip Evans was circulated.

In his report, Philip Evans highlighted the following:

Due to the Covid 19 pandemic which started in March 2020 it had a huge impact on our ability to play tennis at all levels and we have all had to learn to abide by and adapt to the restrictions. Wiltshire Tennis worked hard during these unprecedented times to engage with our clubs, coaches, and our performance players to try and provide the support necessary to ensure that the impact of Covid 19 is minimised as far as possible.

Website

With the help of Andy Dickinson during the last year we have invested in and developed our Wiltshire Tennis website which has proved to be a great asset in these difficult times.

Protecting the Game Safeguarding

County

We have continued to implement LTA guidelines at events, activities, and competitions.

Clubs

The LTA safeguarding visits continued, carried out by Stuart Parsons, the South West Regional Safeguarding Officer. Stuart visited 25 of our LTA Registered Venues of all sizes.

PE then went on to comment on the sad passing of Penny Clanchy in early 2020. Penny devoted herself to County tennis for many years and will be sorely missed.

PE, then, thanked Kathryn Brooks who works so hard on behalf of the Wiltshire LTA and to the colleagues who serve on the various county committees.

Also, to the South West Regional Team for their involvement and assistance throughout the year.

PE thanked all those volunteers who assist at our County Tournaments and accompany our county teams when they are playing around the country.

The adoption of the report was 90% approved and 10% abstained.

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

The accounts for 2019 – 2020 were circulated

JH reported that there would be a deficit of £3654 at the end of the financial year. He reported that due to the pandemic Wiltshire Tennis would receive no sponsorship monies this year for Wimbledon as the 2020 Championships didn't take place.

JH thanked KB for helping with the accounts throughout the year.

The adoption of the accounts was approved by 85% and 15% abstained.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS 2020 – 2021

A block proposal to elect the officers was approved by 100%

- a. The President Sir Geoffrey Owen
- b. The Chairman Philip Evans
- c. Hon. Secretary Elizabeth Bissett
- d. Rep.on the LTA Council Elizabeth Bissett
- e. Hon. Treasurer John Heffer
- f. Chairman of The Tennis Committee Roger Henry
- g. 2 Members to Represent other Members of the Association Colin Gratton & Andy Dickinson

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chairman then closed the formal part of the meeting at 19.53pm and moved onto the Wiltshire Tennis Awards for 2020.

LB stated that it was with great pleasure that John Heffer had been awarded an LTA Meritorious Service Award for 2020.

Awards For 2020

Club of The Year

Riverside Tennis Club

Coach of the Year Award (Development)

Craig Loxton (Swindon Community TC)

Coach of The Year (Performance)

Not awarded

Communities and Parks Award

Swindon Tennis Centre

Education Award (School)

St Mary's Calne Tennis Academy

Volunteer of The Year Award

Mark Tyrrell (Marshfield TC)

Competition of the Year – Not Awarded

Official of the Year – Not awarded

Disability Award - Not Awarded

Education Award (University) - Not Awarded

Young Person of The Year – Not Awarded

Lifetime Achievement – Not awarded