DUFFIELD RACKETS & FITNESS COUNCIL

Pre EGM membership proposal to the council

Held 0n 31st October 2026 at 9.00am

Present: Anthony King (AK), Glynnis Wigram (GW), Sally Hargreaves (SH), Gill Holt (GH), Mike Corne (MC),

Apologies, but agreement given ahead of the meeting: Alizanne Mohr (AM) and James Grindell (JG),

In attendance: Mike Copestake (MCp)

Registered Conflict of interest: Matt Britten (MB)

1. AK opened the meeting for the council to consider options to satisfy concerns raised by club members regarding the change in status of the club from an unincorporated to incorporated status and the incorporation of the current assets of DSCL eventually into, what is expected to be, DRF Ltd, post the upcoming EGM on Sunday the 1st November 2026 at 7.00pm.

2. The key points communicated to the joint tennis and squash committee and agreed by the council are:

    1. Agree to the joint working group being set up to review the Articles of Association, reporting back to the newly approved incorporated board within one month working with Mike Copestake on areas to be reviewed of:
        a. Issuing of minutes,
        b. Directors nominated from the various sporting and social sections to serve as directors for the betterment of the club as a whole. These nominees must satisfy the HMRC stated criteria as a 'fit and proper person test".

    2. In addition to the two existing options, the Council and / or newly appointed board will agree to include a lower cost refurbishment option for the club, retaining 4 courts, that will include upgraded changing rooms, kitchen, bar and lounge and meet our legal obligations re disability access.

    3. The Council and / or newly appointed board agree that the alternative lower cost option under 2.2. for the clubhouse will be costed so as not to require the club taking commercial loans. All options being considered will still need to be presented for a vote by the whole membership at a future EGM.

To achieve these objectives, the council request that the (squash) DSCL directors sign the "nominee agreements" regarding their status as holding their respective shares in a binding bare trust on behalf of the club (as the tennis directors have done, or have agreed to do) and returned their documents to the club secretary by mid-day Sunday the 1st November and on condition that the remaining resolutions (as sent to the whole membership) are passed at the EGM.

The council agreed to implement these resolutions. However, should the directors of DCSL not agree to the proposal above, then this entire proposal becomes null and void and is withdrawn.

There being no other business the meeting was closed at 10.30am