

Minutes of the Rise Annual General Meeting held on Tuesday 14th November 2023 at Royal Quays Business Centre and via Teams

PRESENT

Simon Gordon (SG)	Chair
Steven Bell (SB)	Trustee
Matthew Cormack (MC)	Trustee
Graeme Nash (GN)	Trustee
Adam Pilkington (APilk)	Trustee
Anoop Puri (APuri)	Trustee
Clare Morley (CM)	Chief Executive Officer
Suzanne McDermott	Infrastructure & Environment Strategic Lead
Kaye Scott (KSc)	Finance and Business Support Manager

APOLOGIES

Nic Erevik (NE)	Trustee
Joanne Cairns (JC)	Trustee
Debbie Henderson (DH)	Trustee & Senior Independent Trustee
Katy Storie (KS)	Trustee
David Marrin (DM)	Business & Strategy Director

Item	Discussion	Action
1.0	Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of Conflicts of Interest	
1.1	SG welcomed Trustees to the meeting and apologies were noted.	
2.0	Minutes of the Previous Annual General Meeting	
2.1	The minutes of the 2022 AGM were agreed as a true reflection of discussions. There were no matters arising.	
3.0	Annual Report and Financial Statements (Resolution 1)	
3.1	The content of the Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 st March 2023 were considered by the trustees. The report included the following information: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Objectives and activities • Achievements and performance • Financial review • Policy on reserves • Future plans • Structure, governance and management • Statement of trustee's responsibilities 	
3.2	This was the first year with Read Milburn & Co as auditors. The points of contact within the Rise team were happy with the approach and the process of the audit.	
3.3	There were no recommendations from the auditors.	
3.4	The Board approved the report and financial statement. Proposed by GN, seconded by MC.	

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4.0	Auditors (Resolution 2)	
4.1	Trustees approved the appointment of Read Milburn & Co as auditors for the charity. Proposed by AP and seconded by SB.	
5.0	Retirement of Patrick Price as a Trustee	
5.1	Patrick Price has retired from the Board after a long period of service as the Vice Chair of Rise and previously the Chairman of Northumberland Sport. SG thanked PP for his service and support and wished him the best for the future.	
6.0	Any Other Business	
6.1	There was no other business to discuss.	