



**BRFC Finance General Meeting**  
**Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025 @ 7.00pm**

- In attendance all committee members
- Full and verified Club members in attendance, Sharon Allen; James Jagged; Helen Savage; Doug Goodwin; Laurence Mottram; Amanda Froud; Helen Boswell; Kevin Patterson; Philip Keiff; Lizzie Ball; Rhian Taylor; Saffy Tomlinson; Sheri Davey; Jess Wright; Tom Baldwin; Alan Sturgess; Patrick Gilbert; Robbie Goodwin; Nathaniel Siddall; Stephen Ansell; Martin Jones; Adam Richards – This number of attendees verified as full voting members of Basingstoke RFC established a voting Quorum as set out in the Constitution of Basingstoke RFC Ltd.
- James Jagged – Presented an opening welcome and summary of the clubs performance over the past season.
- Helen Savage – Treasurer of BRFC presented the Clubs most recent set of Financial Accounts. These were reflected in summary as a good performance. Specific emphasis was made with regards to the significant investment now needed in the club infrastructure and overall fabric of the Club house and its facilities. We are at a juncture in the club where **‘wear and tear’** needs to be addressed, and this in itself will involve a large amount of investment. It was noted that external costs into the club, specifically the large rise in Utilities would pose an ongoing challenge in the day-to-day operational management. The Chairman asked for a motion to approve the presented accounts: Proposed by Sharon Allen; Seconded by Philip Keiff; The assembly voted unanimously for the proposal (No abstentions recorded) and the Financial Accounts for 2024/5 were approved.
- The next item on the agenda was the appointment of Douglas Goodwin as Basingstoke RFC’s Honorary Secretary replacing Steve Appleby. The Chairman thanked Steve for his unwavering support and dedication to the Club and its Community during his tenure.

- The Chairman then went on to introduce Douglas Goodwin to the assembly. The Chairman addressed the assembly seeking a proposer to the motion to elect and confirm Douglas Goodwin in the role of Hon. Sec. to BRFC – Proposed by Patrick Gilbert, Seconded by Nathaniel Siddall. The Assembly was then asked to vote; it was recorded as a unanimous decision- no abstentions recorded.
- The Chairman then opened the floor to Any Other Business.

A question raised around the status with Global Kitchens and the withdrawal from the facilities at BRFC. Both the Chairman and Hon Sec provided a succinct summary of the situation. Cel (Global Kitchens) had terminated (amicably) the working agreement / relationship with BRFC principally because of rising costs specially that of the utilities (Gas & Electric), ingredient costs and the rise in labour costs. All these elements had eroded / eliminated the capability of reaching his targeted profit yield. Under the existing commercial agreement, it was not viable for Cel to continue – hence he resigned / withdrew from the agreement with the club.

The Committee is now in the process of seeking a viable resolution for the commencement of the new season 2025/6 this is likely to see some cost increases to the membership in their engagement with meals and food provided by the club via its Catering facilities. It is noted that the provisioning of (free after match meals) and purchase prices have remained static for the past 3-4 years and have not been increased in line with inflation and the general cost of living.

Meeting closed 7.50pm

To all attending 'Thank you for your attendance' in support of  
the Club Community