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NOTICE OF RECONVENED ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING TO BE HELD ON 27TH OCTOBER 2020

The purpose of this notice is to give notice of the Reconvened Annual General Meeting of the Club and to provide members with an update regarding the recent Board elections.

The Annual General Meeting ("AGM") was held on 22nd September 2020. One of the items of business was the declaration of the ballot for the election of the Board of Directors of the Club.

The Board as it was constituted prior to the elections (**Existing Board**) became aware of some irregularities in relation to the process of the admission of new members prior to the election, the postal ballot process and the manner in which members were added to the list of individuals who had requested a postal vote.

An investigation was instigated to examine the manner in which some new members had been added to the membership roll prior to the election and also how postal voting was carried out. The investigation had not concluded prior to the election but a number of significant abnormalities were identified. However the advice that the Existing Board received before the AGM was that the Returning Officer should declare the results of the ballot as he has done in previous years

As many of you know, at the AGM the Returning Officer refused to declare the ballot citing various concerns he had with the voting procedures, which procedures he considered to be inconsistent with the constitution.

Those members who attended the AGM will be aware that the Returning Officer advised the AGM that he was unprepared to declare the vote because he had witnessed matters which caused him considerable concern. For example, he stated that individuals had come into the Club to vote despite the fact that those individuals' names appeared on the list of members requesting postal votes. The Returning Officer says that when he asked these individuals about why they were on the list of those requesting postal ballot papers, they advised him they had not requested a postal ballot paper. He was also concerned that the postal vote procedure did not comply with the constitution. The Returning Officer has raised some additional points beyond those already investigated.

Importantly, the Returning Officer had no role in the investigations instigated on behalf of the Existing Board prior to the AGM. He was not advised of those investigations nor was he advised of the Existing Board's concerns. He put forward his own independent concerns at the AGM without any prior knowledge of the Existing Board's concerns.

Ultimately, the meeting was adjourned to allow the Club time to work out how best to proceed.

The Existing Board have determined that notwithstanding the irregularities referred to above, the best course of action is to reconvene the adjourned Annual General Meeting and to have the results declared.. The new Board will then need to deal with the matter. The results of the investigation to date are that the irregularities do not change the results of the election. As this has now been determined, it will be for the new Board to deal with the matter. The Existing Board have decided to re-convene the Annual General Meeting at 6pm on Tuesday 27th October 2020. Members are hereby notified of that new date and time pursuant to the Constitution.

Dated 12th October 2020

Grahame Ford
President

For and on behalf of the Board of Directors