

Trustee Board Meeting Summary – January 2026

Governance & Declarations

- A Trustee declared a new voluntary role as Chair of a local cricket club; no conflicts were identified.
- Previous meeting minutes approved as an accurate record.
- All prior actions completed except Companies House trustee verification, which remains ongoing.

CEO Report

- Comprehensive operational update received.
- Slight reduction in some KPIs noted; follow-up discussion scheduled.
- Trustees confirmed visibility across community, club, and performance programmes.

Chair's Update & Board Development

- Improved communication noted from the England and Wales Cricket Board (ECB), particularly regarding investment clarity.
- Chair's term extended by 12 months to support continuity and stability.
- Succession planning discussed, including recruitment of a Vice Chair.
- Need identified for clearer Equality, Diversity & Inclusion (EDI) oversight and defined reporting lines.

Performance & Pathway

- Discussion on strengthening independent oversight and constructive challenge within performance programmes.
- Proposal for longer-term (3–5 year) strategic planning across Community, Clubs, and Performance pillars.
- Programme leads to attend a future meeting to provide greater visibility on plans and accountability.

Finance & Risk

- Year-end closed with a £20k deficit, aligned with planned expenditure.
- Operational savings achieved during the year.
- Early-stage discussions commenced regarding next year's budget.

Safeguarding & EDI

- All safeguarding compliance areas remain rated 'Green'.
- Strategic safeguarding structure formalised with agreed Terms of Reference.
- Open case review confirmed no significant concerns.

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Fundraising & Commercial Development

- Low awareness identified that the Foundation operates as a registered charity.
- Development of a tiered corporate sponsorship model (Platinum, Gold, Community).
- Plans include charity match, membership scheme, legacy giving, and targeted sponsorships.
- Board emphasised prioritisation, due diligence, clear targets, and consistent messaging.

Any Other Business

- North Devon Junior League to cease operating independently; youth cricket to transition under Foundation structure.