DRFC ExCom Minutes	
Date/Time:	11th March 2026
Location:	Doh Golf Club
Attendees:	Tim Newnham (TN), Matt Raper (MR), Curtis Wolstenholme (CW), Pip Innes (PI), Chloe Egglestone-Briggs (CE-B)
Apologies	Justin Murray (JM), Huw Ifan (HI)

Item	Details
1.A	**Previous Meeting Minutes** • Approved by ExCom ○ Reminder to ensure section pages are up-to-date

1.B	**2025-26 season**
	• **Safeguarding**
	  ○ Safeguarding seminar (2025-26 season)
	  ▪ 29 attendees
	  ▪ 27 non-attendees
	  ○ 2 seminars scheduled for September 2026. **No attendance = NO COACHING**
	  ○ DRFC currently exploring a comprehensive safeguarding training programme through Emmaus Global. If proceeding, this will come into effect from September 2026 with a Designated Safeguard Officer and Safeguarding Team (positions TBC)
	• **Upcoming Events**
	  ○ 3rd April - M&Y Tournament - **HI** to confirm whether volunteers are required
	  ○ 17th April - M&Y Awards and Chairmans Day Games
	  ▪ Timings TBC - Feedback required from **CE-B**
	  ▪ M&Y Awards schedule to be provided (**HI**)
	  ▪ Post-match TBC - Score (**CE-B**) or M29 (**MR**)
	  ▪ Chairmans Day Polos to be budgeted for next season (2026-27)
	  ▪ Registration sheet to be sent to Men & Vets next week (**TN**)
	  ○ 14th May - Oval Ball
	  ▪ Tickets to go on sale at the end of March
	  ▪ ExCom members to submit nomination for Club Person of the Year directly to **PI**
	  ○ 14th June - AGM - Location TBC (**TN** will request DGC upstairs bar again)

	• **Membership Comparison**
	  ○ Seniors
	  ▪ 2024/25 Season - 129
	  ▪ 2025/26 Season - 111
	  • 14% decrease
	  ○ M&Y
	  ▪ 2024/25 Season - 314
	  ▪ 2025/26 Season - 318
	  • 1% increase
	  ○ **TOTAL - 4% decrease this season**

1.C	**2026-27 Season**
	
	• **Training** - Reps to provide *proposed* start and end dates for each term (Term 1 proposed start dates below)
	  ○ M&Y - September 26th (Term 1)
	  ○ Seniors - August 30th (Term 1)
	  ▪ **Full season proposal required for accurate budgets**
	
	• **Matches/Tournaments** - REMINDER, requests/requirements for home tournaments to be provided. Any requirements/requests for overseas tournaments to be provided to **TN** & **RDO** to be brought up at the UAE AGM in May.
	
	• **Kit & Equipment** - Requests to be confirmed ASAP (NO orders to be places during the summer)
	  ○ Membership Items - Amounts and designs (*All Reps to be introduced to Tsunami for design process*)
	  ○ Playing Kit - Top up requirements (no new kits unless a new main sponsor is confirmed)
	  ○ Equipment - Sections to provide details of requirements to **RDO**
	  ○ Coaches & Managers
	  ▪ Confirm returning volunteers (where are replacements required)
	  ▪ Kit amounts & sizes
	  ▪ Designs
	
	• **Budgets -** Home tournament & travel budgets (proposed) to be prepared before summer (ALL **REPS**)
	  ○ Planning spreadsheet to be provided by **TN**
	
	• **Fees**
	  ○ Fees to remain the same for next season
	  ○ Instalments to be active from April 1st, ending July 1st (3-5 month plans - **JM**)

1.E	**A.O.B.**
	
	• **Sponsorship**
	  ○ Feedback required from Reps on how to improve interactions with sponsors
	  ○ Current sponsors to be followed up for next season (renewal)
	  ▪ Fabio's (**MR**)
	  ▪ GAC (**CW**)

	▪ CB & TL (**CE-B**) o Sponsorship deck being updated ▪ Sections to use DRFC sponsorship deck **NOT** prepare their own presentations. o **CE-B** to take on role of 'Sponsorship Manager' on behalf of DRFC. ALL requests/introductions to run through **CE-B** • **Funds Distribution / Transparency** - Request made to provide a breakdown of where membership funds are being spent/allocated. There is NO obligation for RDT to provide this, however, details of what membership covers, to be included on the membership sign-up page (**JM**)