

20th October 2023

UK DEAF SPORT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2023

Dear Members,

On behalf of the UK Deaf Sport Board, it is my pleasure to extend a formal invitation to the UK Deaf Sport Annual General Meeting (AGM) 2023.

The AGM will be held at Cathedral View, 5th Floor, St Vincent's Centre, Carlisle Place, London, SW1P 1NL on Saturday 25th November 2023 and will start at 10.30am. Website - <https://passage.org.uk/get-involved/cathedral-view/>

This will be an opportunity for you to meet our staff, Board Directors, and the new Chair of the UK Deaf Sport Board. It is also an opportunity to learn about our work over the last year and how you can support our campaign to lobby the UK Government for funding for deaf sport and the DeaflympicsGB Team.

To vote, you or your nominated proxy member must attend our AGM in person. A live stream will be available to those interested in observing the AGM, but you will not be able to input, and no votes will be counted online.

Please note that only one nominated representative of each National Deaf Governing Body (NDGB) can vote and the NDGB must be a paid member of UKDS. If you are not able to attend the AGM, your vote may be transferred by proxy to another named individual in your organisation or to the Chair of the AGM.

To book your place, please complete the attendance form below. Or to transfer your vote to a named proxy or the Chair, complete the proxy form below and return to me by email at info@ukds.org.uk by 10am on 20th November 2023.

BSL Interpreters will be provided at the meeting. Should you have any additional accessibility needs for the meeting please let us know.

Following the completion of the formal AGM, we will have presentations from UK Deaf Sport staff and an open forum providing the opportunity for questions. The AGM will finish by 12 and will be followed by a light lunch.

If you have any questions, please do contact me or the UK Deaf Sport Chair, Piers Martin, at info@ukds.org.uk.

Best wishes,

Joanne Cholerton

Chief Executive Officer

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Saturday 25 November 2023, 10.30am

Cathedral View, St Vincent's Centre, Carlisle Place, London, SW1P 1NL

The AGM will commence at 10.30am.

BSL Interpreters will be provided.

AGENDA

1. Chair's Welcome and Introductions
2. Apologies for Absence
3. To consider and approve the minutes of the 2022 AGM held on 25th November 2022
[Vote]
4. Trustee's Annual Report and Accounts for the year ending 31st March 2023
5. To consider and approve the appointment of Nick Brookes as Chair of the Board
[Vote]
6. To consider and approve the appointment of Jodie Ounsley as Honorary President of UK Deaf Sport for 1 year [Vote]
7. Any other business (relevant to the AGM and notified to the Chair in advance)
8. Close

Following the completion of the formal part of the AGM, all members/attendees will be invited to join the staff and Board of UK Deaf Sport in an open forum. This will be followed by a light lunch and refreshments.

Close approximately 12.30

*All papers will be available on the UK Deaf Sport website prior to the meeting.

For any issues on the day, please contact Kathryn on 07593 436309 or by email at info@ukds.org.uk.

UK DEAF SPORT COMPANY INFORMATION

Honorary President:

Jodie Ounsley

Honorary Vice-Presidents:

Vincent Dickson

Philip Gerrard

Stuart Harrison

Craig Crowley MBE

Current Board Directors:

Peter Fitton

Lara Lill (Senior Independent Director)

Anneli MacDonald

Andrew Mawdsley

Tom Seabrook

Jacqui Traynor

Toby Burton

Vincent Pericard

Graeme Knight (will step down following 2023 AGM)

Piers Martin (will step down following 2023 AGM)

Directors who stepped down during the year:

Adam Breeze

Grant Downie

Directors who were appointed during the year:

Nick Brookes as Chair

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
25 NOVEMBER 2023
ATTENDANCE FORM**

This form is to be completed by the Chair or Nominated Representative registered with UK Deaf Sport. Please complete this form and e-mail to info@ukds.org.uk by **10am Monday 20 November 2023.**

Name of your organisation:

Role in your organisation:

Your name:

I will be attending the AGM in person on 25 November 2023 (Please mark one box):

Yes []

No []

Dietary Requirement:

Communication requirements e.g. BSL:

SIGNED:

DATE:

If you are not able to attend, but wish to send someone else on your behalf, please complete the Proxy Form below.

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PROXY NOTICE**

If the Chair or Nominated Representative of your organisation cannot attend our AGM, a named proxy can attend, speak and vote on their behalf or you can ask the Chair of the meeting to do so for you.

Organisation Name:

Name of Chair or Nominated Representative of Organisation:

Email:

I being a the Chair or Nominated Representative of the named organisation, wish to appoint (mark one box):

Named Proxy:

OR

The Chair of the meeting

as my Proxy to attend, speak and vote on my behalf at the 2023 UK Deaf Sport Annual General Meeting.

SIGNED:

DATE:

Proxy Notice Notes:

1. As a member of the UKDS your organisation can appoint someone to be your proxy, to exercise any or all of your rights to attend, speak and vote at the AGM. You can only appoint a proxy using this form.
2. Appointing a proxy does not stop you from attending the meeting and voting in person. If you both attend the meeting, your proxy nomination will automatically be cancelled.
3. To appoint your proxy, you must complete and sign the attached form and return it to info@ukds.org.uk no later than 10am, 20 November 2023.
4. If you sign and return the form with no named proxy, the Chair of the meeting will be deemed to be your proxy.
5. When appointing your proxy, it is your responsibility to ensure they are aware of the meeting and are aware of your voting intentions.
6. You can only appoint one proxy.
7. If you submit more than one proxy notice, the form received last before the deadline will take president.