Minutes of Performance Advisory Group meeting
Held on Tuesday 13th May 2014
Moscow Meeting Room at Athletics House

Present: Mike Heath (MHe)
Andy Day (AD)
Mike Harris (MHa)
Peter Stanley (PS)
Stewart Barnes (SB)

Apologies: None

Aim of Meeting
The England Board has endorsed terms of reference as a group.
Expectation – Performance of athlete all the way through pathway.

Matters Arising from Last Meeting

Relay – been announced – in CAU final.

Point brought up who will liaise with PO10 – PO10 showing coaches who are deceased.

AD Action
Group to give consideration on how England Performances feeds into PO10.

Queens Baton

In Jersey at moment – not got dedicated England location – involved in BIG, London and Manchester.

Commonwealth Games

Question raised whose responsibility are the English athletes – AD/PS stated that the athletes will always remain the responsibility of the England Staff. Eg. given if an accredited staff member is hurt in the village/stadium who is insurer – CWG? Event Organiser?

AD Action
Mike/AD look through anti-doping ratification to attend anti-doping.

Team Agreement email to be forwarded to Mike Heath/Karen – AD Action.

There are likely to be 132 athletes for selection which will be made after indoor season. Announcement tomorrow, 14th May for Marathon athletes.

Bus/coach – email received - will cost a few thousand pounds – need to add to budget.

CWG Team 10-15 members bigger which has caused more work.

There has been no change to the team structure.

MHe asked if we had published team staff – response was yes. Agreed to 2 support physios - day passes at holding camp/games. Also omitted 1 media staff – 7 full time – 2 add on.

Staff have been asked to remain fit for the games due to work load. – Meeting will be held Sunday at Loughborough - ‘Sharp Mind/Body’. Full day of training on Saturday at Loughborough.

Accreditations – not good – PS will write concerning accreditation – they are non-transferrable, coaches allocation not enough – AD/PS Action (Speak to Alison Potts).

CWG have to be informed who has got tickets, Alison Potts travelled to Glasgow to sign for all the tickets individually. Publicise we have tickets.

Nothing new on selections.

**England Senior Championships**

AD has had 2 meetings with Cherry Alexander. An organising meeting is to be held on 27 May 2015 which AD & TG will attend.

Issue regarding selections, how many athletes being invited? Missed opportunities for aspiring club athletes who do not get selected.

TV broadcasting on Sunday only.

We should have a view with regard to:

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MHe suggested England staff to undertake check list England/Scotland/Welsh/Irish.  **AD Action**

2015 England Championships – see Cherry’s response to this – do with think about going with UK CAU, so it would be England Champs incorporation the UK CAU- look at 3 year plan for stability.

Fixture meeting has been held – England International put in prospectus – date not given but practical if at end of season.

Any competition groups not been held yet – MHa made initial contact with England Staff, Mike Dooling, that is as far as it has progressed. It is important that the composition of each group is correct with a cross section of Nat Council/Regional Council, Portfolio Members etc. Over the next 2 months crank up members and arrange first meeting.

Change in Age Groups a big discussion point, in 2016 especially.

Schools cannot change by law – significant part of discussion.

Someone from schools should be on the U20 Group.

**Small Teams**

Policy reviewed and reissued

**Overarching Issues**

Facilities

Has a map been produced yet showing facilities locations? Has letter been drafted to the new owners of Bedford (one of our premium venues)?

Michael Hunt has done audit – all have been checked and given a category 1-4 – this has not yet been published - **AD Action**.

Is the Endurance side covered?  **MHe Action**

Also AD felt that Fell Running etc should not be left out.

**Counties and Areas**

AD has had meeting with 3 areas – next week has a meeting with the North. Contracts are all done and sent – verbal responses nothing written.

Five counties are using the online system of Simon Fennell.

26 counties replied regarding funding. 10-15% rise on last year.
SB asked if counties know yet if they are going to get money as some Counties had their events this weekend –AD Action

At the meeting in February a cancellation policy was to be looked at. This has not yet been actioned but there is a cancellation policy on courses.

Any Other Business

None.

Date of Next Meeting

Due to retirement of MHe in October may mean a delay in next meeting