



## Swim England Hertfordshire

County Association of Swim England East Region  
President: Mark Horrod

### Swimming Committee Minutes 29<sup>th</sup> May 2025 Zoom call

Present: Bryan Thompson (BT) Swim England Hertfordshire Swimming Manager / Chairman  
Sheila Mackenzie (SM) Swim England Hertfordshire Secretary  
Mark Horrod (MH) Swim England Hertfordshire President  
Karen Huckle(KH)  
Louise Hughes (LH)  
Jeremy Irvine (JI)  
Ian Mackenzie (IM)  
Jane O'Brien (JO)  
Nicola Rix (NR)

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#### S25/12 Apologies

Richard Thornton (RT). Andrew MacDonald (AM)

#### S25/13 Previous minutes

Minutes of last meeting were reviewed and approved by the committee.

#### S25/14 Matters arising

No matters arising

#### S25/15 Action Log

Items 24/27.1 and 25/7.1 are complete. Actions 24/30.1 and 25/6.1 are ongoing.

#### S25/16 Masters update

Competition is due to go ahead on 1<sup>st</sup> June 2025 at Hemel Hempstead Sports Centre. There are just about enough officials to run a 6-lane gala, although currently two more officials are needed. St Albans Masters is the biggest entry. AM is standing down after the Masters Meet is completed and he has submitted a report for the website.

#### S25/17 Development update

The third weekend of the development camps is on 31<sup>st</sup> May / 1<sup>st</sup> June. The athletes attending the camps have been engaging well and enjoying it. The coaches are also enjoying leading it. The Berkhamsted skills coach is unable to continue due to relocating. A report for the website needs to be completed updating people after the development camps are completed.

#### S25/18 Open Water update

Jeremy Irvine is the new Open Water Manager for Swim England Hertfordshire and has attended the regional Leadership Group meeting. There is a development day on 7<sup>th</sup> June run by the Region and the top three 800m and 1500m swimmers are invited. JI has been invited as one of the coaches. There has been a change to the water temperature rules – if the water temperature is below 18 degrees a wetsuit is mandatory, Between 18-20 degrees then it is down to the referee to decide. In terms of regional Open Water Championships, MH is unable to attend to present medals. Past presidents will be asked to see if they can attend. In addition to



this, volunteers are needed to assist with the county results and allocation of medals. BT will send JI the club contacts and set up the email account for Open Water.

**S25/19 Records update**

One record achieved at the Aquatics GB Championships - Shannon Stott in the 100m butterfly.

**S25/20 County Championships 2026**

BT attended a meeting with Westminster Lodge on 3<sup>rd</sup> June and then there was an Events Management Group meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> June. Qualifying Times are currently with the clubs. The schedule and scoring is being looked at. There will be Top 10 awards, as a 10-lane pool is being used. The qualifying window is now open. The conditions still need to be completed.

A few things need to be looked at including processes for the Championships, including withdrawals and accreditations etc.

**S25/21 50m pool update**

An update was given.

**S25/22 National Inter-County Team Championships**

A quote has been given for the coach. Another quote is awaited. The Premier Inn in Chesterfield is being considered for the overnight stay. Pools are being looked at to host the training session (NR). The lead coach for 2025 is Harry Maishman (Tring), supported by Joe Collins (Bishop Stortford).

An email has been received from Swim England which states that they are not providing any money this year, and in future, to subsidise travel or hotel stays.

**S25/23 Any other business**

None

**Date of next meeting 4<sup>th</sup> September 2025 via Zoom**