



Dear Member,

I hope this letter finds you well.

Please find enclosed documentation for an Extraordinary General Meeting ("EGM"). We look forward to welcoming you to the **East Stand Long Room at Headingley Cricket Ground, St. Michael's Lane, Leeds at 9:00 am on Thursday 28 September 2023.**

Please see below an overview of the resolutions proposed to be considered at the EGM.

Item 1 – Proposed rule changes 1

Currently, the rules of the Club do not enable casual vacancies on the board of Directors of the Club (the "Board") to be filled other than at the first annual general meeting following the nomination of a Board candidate, or for a Chair to be elected by the Board other than at its first meeting following the annual general meeting. The Board is proposing certain changes to the rules of the Club ("Rules") to enable the appointment of directors and a Chair outside of the annual general meeting process to allow appointments to be filled as a result of casual vacancies, such as that of Chair, which I am currently holding on an interim basis. The proposed changes to the Rules will enable a casual vacancy to be filled by a vote of Members at an extraordinary general meeting rather than at an annual general meeting and to enable the Board to appoint another member of the Board as Chair in the event that the Chair leaves office before the end of their term at the next annual general meeting, as is the current position.

Item 2 – Proposed rule changes 2

The Board is proposing a change to the Rules to change the requirement for the Club to hold its annual general meeting no later than 31 March in each year to no later than 30 June each year. This change will avoid the easter period when many members are unable to attend meetings and will allow the meeting to be held in the early weeks of the cricket season. It will also afford the Club a longer period to prepare its annual report and accounts for the previous financial year for presentation and approval at the annual general meeting but still allow it to comply with the deadline of 31 July each year for filing its accounts with the Financial Conduct Authority.

Item 3 – Proposed rule changes 3

The Board is proposing a change to the Rules such that attendance of each board member at board and committee meetings be reported on a financial year basis as opposed to reporting of attendance since the date of the previous annual general meeting. This would allow reporting to be on a consistent basis with the rest of the annual report and accounts of the Club.

Item 4 - Election to the Board

As previously announced, following a rigorous, robust and fair selection process, the Nominations Committee would like to recommend the appointment of Harry Chathli as an Independent Non-Executive Director of the Board from the Club's membership. Enclosed you will find Harry's personal statement and a separate voting form for his election, which must be received by the Club no later than 9:00 am on Tuesday 26 September 2023 given that appointments of directors of the Club may only be voted for by post or electronically in advance of the EGM, in accordance with the Rules. The passing of a resolution to approve Harry's appointment is conditional on the rule changes described at item 1 above being passed with the required majority and registered with the Financial Conduct Authority. The Board does not think it is in the best interests of the Club to be without a permanent Chair until the next annual general meeting as a result of the Rules which prevent mid-cycle appointments, particularly at this important time in the Club's journey.

Thank you for your ongoing support as we continue to strive to drive the Club forward.

I look forward to seeing many of you at the EGM on Thursday 28 September.

The Baroness Grey-Thompson, Interim Chair

