

**MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2024-2025
TUESDAY 2 DECEMBER 2025**

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr Mark Herbert	Chairman
Mr Tariq Salman	Executive Secretary
Ms. Rasha Ebrahim	Membership Secretary
Mr Mohamed Salih (Acting)	Honorary Treasurer
Mr Peter Walker	House Member No.1
Mr Mark Collins	House Member No.2
Ms Lorraine Maginnis	Family Member
Mr Jamie Marshall	Entertainment Member
Mr Mohamed Salih	General Duties

Apologies: Mr Ali Aziz Al-Arayedh

The quorum for the first call at 7pm and the second call at 7.15pm was not achieved. At the third call 50 members were present and the meeting therefore commenced at 7.40pm. The representative from the Ministry of Social Development sent their apologies and gave approval for the meeting to go ahead and sent their wishes.

ITEM 1 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 3 DECEMBER 2024

The minutes of last year's meeting were approved.

Proposed: Simon Thomson (T1013)

Seconded: Iain Gardner (G1021)

ITEM 2 REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN

The Chairman welcomed all the members, summarised his report and made special thanks to the Club Manager and the staff and Abdulrahman Abulfath.

ITEM 3 REPORT OF THE TREASURER AND APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30 SEPTEMBER 2025

The Treasurer summarised his report.

Grant Thornton Abdulaal as auditors confirmed that the financial statements and financial performance were in order.

Proposed: Jassim Hassan (H0188)

Seconded: Beth Noble (N0019)

ITEM 4 APPROVAL OF OPERATING AND CAPITAL EXPENDITURE BUDGET FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR OCTOBER 2024 – SEPTEMBER 2025

Proposed: Arjun Burman (A0275A)

Seconded: Gurleen Arora (A0275)

ITEM 5 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE PROPOSAL

To amend Article 32 of the Constitution as follows:

The Executive Committee shall consist of TEN members to be elected by the General Assembly from its members for a renewable term of two years by a secret ballot. (*changed from one year to two years*)

- In the event of a committee member stepping down the role will be offered to the individual (if any) who contested the position at the AGM.
- If no one contested the role at the AGM the position will be available for nominations at the next AGM
- In the event of resignation of the Chairman, Executive Secretary or Treasurer the position would be filled from existing committee personnel until next AGM

Arjun Burman (A0275A) asked if a two year tenure for Committee members was introduced what would be the point of the AGM?

Mark Herbert explained that it would only be the length of committee term that would be changed and all other aspects of the AGM would continue as usual.

Beth Noble (N0019) asked what was the thinking behind the proposal? Tariq Salman explained that it was to give more consistency to ongoing work and improvements. Mark Collins added that each year a new committee takes on projects that may have been started by other Committee members and a two year period would allow committee members to plan ahead with further long term projects and see them through.

Monick Advincula (H0064A) asked that if members are not happy with a Committee member then they have no way of replacing them. Mark Herbert stated that it would be up to members to let the Committee know any concerns and would be up to the Executive Committee to make sure any issues were addressed.

Further in depth discussion took place between members and the panel.

A written vote then took place and the proposal was approved by 29 votes for and 15 against.

ITEM 6 MEMBERS' PROPOSALS

No members' proposals

Mark Herbert urged members to use this opportunity to have their say in the future.

ITEM 7 ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

7.1 Chairman

There being no other nominee Mark Herbert (H0152) was duly elected.

7.2 Executive Secretary

There being no other nominee Tariq Salman (S0124) was duly elected.

7.3 Treasurer

There being no other nominee Peter Walker (W1012) was duly elected.

7.4 Membership Secretary

There being no other nominee Rasha Ebrahim (E1003) was duly elected.

7.5 House Member (1)

There being no other nominee Iain Gardner (G1021) was duly elected.

7.6 House Member (2)

There being no other nominee Mark Collins (C1035) was duly elected.

7.7. Entertainment Member

There being no other nominee Jamie Marshall (M1122) was duly elected.

7.8. Sports Member

There being no other nominee Jon Lorenz (L1013) was duly elected.

7.9. Family Member

There being no other nominee Lorraine Maginnis (M0214) was duly elected.

7.10. General Duties Member

There being no other nominee Mohamed Salih (S0153) was duly elected.

7.11. Deputy Chairman

Tariq Salman explained that the Deputy Chairman could not be one of the three Senior Committee Executives – (Chairman, Executive Secretary & Treasurer)

- Mark Collins (C1035) was nominated by Monick Advincola (H0064A) and seconded by Debbie Kleanthous (H0152A)
- Mohamed Salih (S0153) was nominated by Proposed: Arjun Burman (A0275A) and seconded by Fatima Shafeea (S0408)

A written ballot was held and Mark Collins was duly elected as Deputy Chairman.

ITEM 8 APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

The appointment of Grant Thornton Abdulaal as Auditors was approved by the Assembly.

ITEM 9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Rob Punter (P1046) asked if there was a method of updating members details to ensure that information was getting sent to correct emails? The Club Secretary explained that it is the individual's responsibility to advise us of any change in their details and pointed out that often members unsubscribe to emails and to advise reception or the secretary who will check and amend.

Monick Advincula (H0064A) asked why were people leaving the Club and we should ask why they are not renewing. The Club Secretary explained that we already do ask and the main reason is that the member leave Bahrain or move away from the area. Rasha Ebrahim and Mark Herbert explained that although we have members not renewing for various reasons we are still increasing our membership on a month by month basis.

Steve Blight (B0132) Thanked the Committee for their work and it was good to see plans being delivered.

Tariq Salman closed the meeting by thanking Mark Herbert for his first year as Chairman.

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.50pm.



Mark Herbert
Chairman



Tariq Salman
Executive Secretary



Peter Walker
Honorary Treasurer

