

## **Public synopsis: Council Meeting 20<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

### **Audit, Accounts and Management Information**

Council received BSAC Annual Accounts and report from the independent Chair of the Audit Committee. In summary no significant audit issues arose and BSAC remains a going concern and in a stable financial position as we enter post-Covid recovery. The receipt of a large Sport England grant has been key to this.

A public summary will be reported in April's printed SCUBA. Full accounts will be published on the BSAC website. Accounts approved unanimously.

Management information for current year to date shows this position has continued to hold.

### **Strategy Implementation and Projects**

CEO reported that following the successful launch of the Strategic Plan, implementation teams are now in place to drive forward the 4 key areas- Diving & Training, Community, Environment and Delivery. Goal is to position BSAC as the *'Go-to community for anyone wanting to learn to dive and to enjoy and protect the underwater world'*. Over the coming year members can expect:

- New products and services to support members to get involved, connect.
- Escalation of modular and digital training.
- Improved connectivity between local branches and centres - broadening training and diving opportunities and relieving training bottle-necks as we return to the water.
- Opportunity to get involved in environmental projects and research.

BSAC App first-stage launch expected May 2021.

Website for clubs project is now up and running – 80 clubs have already expressed interest and Furness is expected to be the first to launch.

### **Other items**

Independent review of governance at BSAC is commencing – scope being finalised.

BSAC's role as National Governing Body coming to the fore as preparations are underway for a return to the water. Major focus on safe return to diving and avoiding incidents.

Overall transition to cloud-based digital systems is progressing well.

A formal offer for purchase of the HQ building has been received and agreed. Sale process now commencing. Further information to be shared with members shortly.

Preparations now being put in place for 2021 AGM and elections – 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2021.

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**Maria Harwood**  
**Chair BSAC**