

0Meeting of the British Athletics Board of Directors

14.07.2026 – 10.30 – 13.00

TEAMS

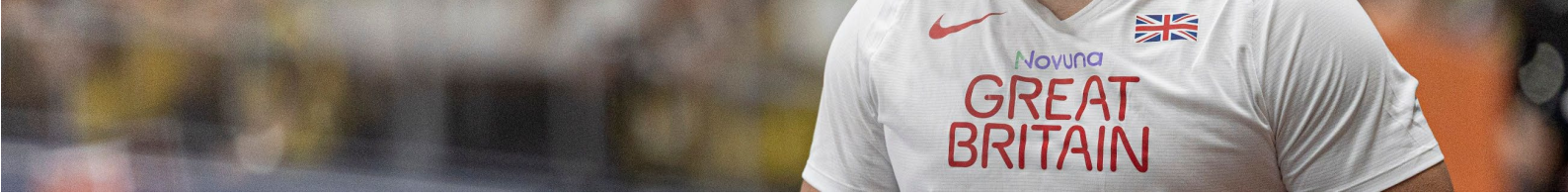
Present:	**Ian Beattie (IB) Chair** **Jack Buckner (JB)** **Edleen John (EJ)** **Paul Lawther (PL)** **David Ovens (DO)** **Steve Perks (SP)** **Andrew Pozzi (AP)** **Gary Shaughnessy (GS)** **Wendy Sly (WS)** **Jennifer Thomas (JT)** **Mike Whittingham (MIW)**
Observers:	**Denise Lewis (DL)**
In Attendance:	**Cherry Alexander (CA) - PART** **Liz Birchall (LB) – PART** **Paula Dunn (PD) - PART** **Chris Moss (CM)** **Kim Pearce (KP) - PART** **Ruth Thompson (RT)** **Richard Yates (RY)** **Vickie Armitage (VA)**

1. **Welcome by the Chair**

The Chair (IB) welcomed the Board members to the meeting, specifically EJ who was attending her first meeting as a Board member.

2. **Apologies**

Apologies were received from Anna Blackman.



3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest. The Declarations of Interest have now all been received and the Board will review the Register of Interests at the next Board meeting.

4. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of 19th May 2026 were **approved**. The BA Performance Group and CEO Forum minutes were noted.

5. CEO Report (Appendix 1)

The CEO Report was taken as read. JB updated the Board on the matters raised in the report.

6. Legal Update (Appendix 2)

The Legal Update was taken as read. RY updated the Board on the latest legal matters, and the Board reviewed the Corporate Manslaughter case learnings (Appendix 3).

7. Finance Update (Appendices 4 and 5)

RT presented the May Management accounts and the revised Four-Year Forecast.

8. Safeguarding (Appendices 6 and 7)

KP joined the meeting and referred to the Safeguarding report which was taken as read. She updated the Board on the report in more detail.

9. Event Updates

CA and LB joined the meeting and CA presented on the BA Outdoor Championships.
JB confirmed that a strategic conversation will take place in the Autumn.

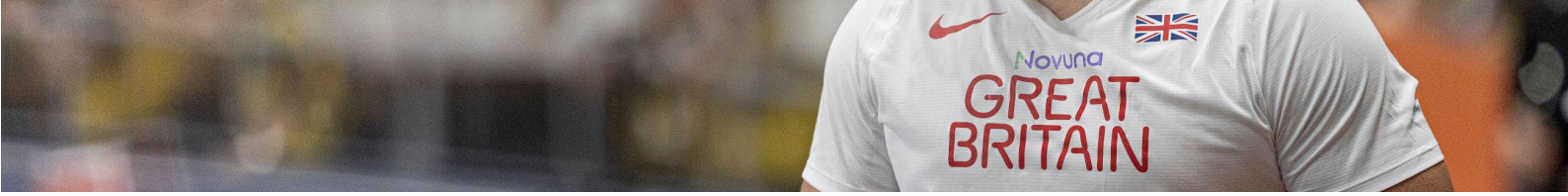
CA presented on the latest updates for B'26.

10. Performance

PD joined the meeting and updated on the latest activity in Performance, acknowledging the very busy period with the European U18 Championships, World U20 Championships as well as preparing for both CWG and B'26. There is considerable focus on B'26 with the final team being selected and announced on 27th July which is the first day of the athletics at CWG, so this is being managed with the HCAF Team Leads.

11. International Influence

JB confirmed that BA's international work and influence will be increasingly important over the next 18 months with Seb Coe completing his second term of Presidency.



12. Any Other Business

CM referenced the discussion at the December Board meeting regarding the proposal from the Rules Group to change the Terms of Reference for the group (which was agreed). This change specifically referenced the appointment of additional group members in order to add additional knowledge and expertise. As a result, the Rules Group are proposing to add 2 new members and are seeking formal Board approval to add both LH and CL to the group. The Board **approved** these appointments.

Meeting closed at 13:00