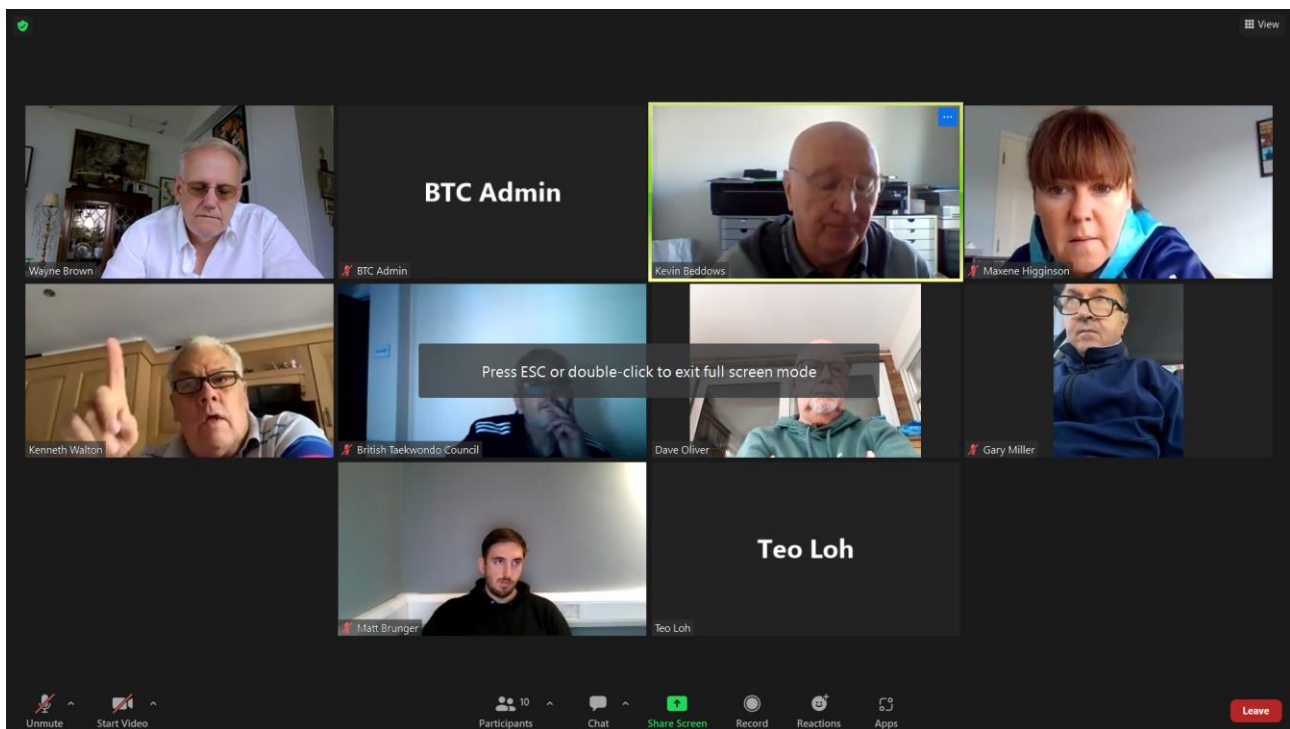


## BTC Council Catchup Call Mon 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022, 9.30-11.06am

**Attending:** D Oliver (Chair)  
K Beddows (FD)  
T Nicholls (CEO)  
K Walton (CD)  
M Brunger (NED)  
Maxene Higginson  
Gary Miller  
Wayne Brown  
T K Loh (joined 10:49)

**Apologies:** L Heyes, R Sergiew, M Prewett, J Kessler, M Dew, A Kalcut, D Sutherill



### Agenda:

- Sport England and Home Country Updates
- Maintaining NGB Status - Articles of Association
- Board Nominations
- Date for BTC Council and AGM meetings
- AOB

The Chair welcomed those attending and confirmed apologies received.

### • Sport England and Home Country Updates

BTC embarked on 2022-23 reporting and 2023-27 Strategy bid. Between now and December, BTC Ltd will send Sport England our next 4yr strategy embracing the aims of Uniting The Movement.

There are NGB status challenges (ITC is one). If BTC wish to maintain NGB status we MUST have independent members on Board.

- **Maintaining NGB Status - Articles of Association**

Members were reminded of the need and actions taken to maintain NGB status with Sport England, regardless of funding applications: changes regarding Council merging with Board, new Articles of Association embracing Constitution, representation and membership.

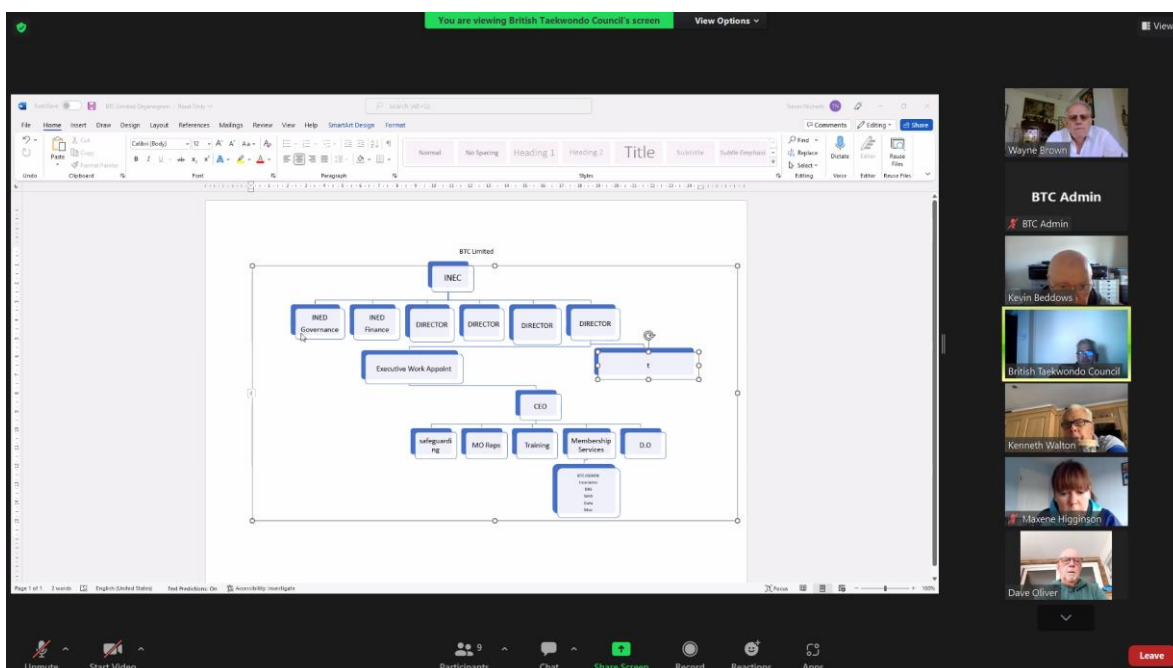
- **Board Nominations**

Full members 1000+ have been sent invitations for nominations to Board (BITF, BTF, UKTDC and GTUK), nominees must complete the new skills matrix.

Current Board will remain in place whilst the new Articles are lodged with Companies House, appointment new Board members, and INEC and INED vacancies advertised in compliance with the new Code of Governance. Resignations due to expiry of term (TN, KB, KW) will follow.

The role and responsibilities of BTC Membership Services were detailed: Northern and London offices remain in place to deliver administration and membership services. Executive/Membership Services meetings will include representation from all BTC Member Organisations, ie Full Members x 1, Provisional Members x 1, Club Members will elect 1 representative for all. These meetings will provide a voice for BTC membership at Board meetings but do not permit voting as the executive and membership forum cannot overrule Board decisions. The order of meetings has yet to be decided. The BTC Executive Team deliver programmes, training and NGB administration; the BTC Board agree strategy, etc, in the best interests of Taekwondo. The new arrangements fit the new Code of Governance, ensuring BTC remains fit for purpose as an NGB (75% TKD, 25% Independent NEDs), provide a voice for all Taekwondo membership and business continuity.

The proposed BTC organogram was shared:



Executive officers can be invited to Board meetings to report on activities.

Discussion included that the Executive Offices will provide business continuity; Board constitution of 75% TKD, 25% Independent voices ensure compliance with the Code of Governance; confirmation that Board invitations have been sent to eligible Member Organisations; ITC have been advised by Sport England that they have to run properly for 2 years before they can apply for

NGB status, so it is important that we are seen to continue doing the right thing, otherwise we put our NGB status at risk; Board members remaining are still eligible under the normal tenure of 2 x 4yrs, with an additional 4 years if an international representative role is evidenced. This assists succession planning and continuity rather than all new directors with no continuity and no TKD representation.

BTC Member Organisation are unanimous that continued NGB status is the priority.

It was confirmed that TOL will be disenfranchised by Sport England at the end of this strategy period (Mar 2023). BT will be recognised as an NGB in their own right, currently a funding partner not NGB but this will change when we are working with SE direct, as they provide the route to Olympic podium.

Benefits of NGB status include free safeguarding training (NSPCC/CPSU).

Sport England are funding non-NGB groups in other sports and could do in TKD.

KW – to ensure those in charge operate all proper services, SG, public money etc

In response to questions about our relationship with BT and who is in charge, members were advised that Ian Leafe is the BT CEO, that BT and BTC are engaged in some joint activities as required by SE – eg GCSE PE reintroduction of TKD, sharing resources, and that collaboration within TKD is important. However, we must look a bit different to BT, as Sport England will not fund same roles in different organisations if not sufficiently different. BT and BTC are stronger together as NGBs. The new GB Taekwondo CEO is Paul Buxton (was UK Sport) – has made contact to better understand BTC and participation in elite pathway.

- **Date for BTC Council and AGM meetings**

Current Council to meet soon to sign off accounts and confirm understanding of changes. Wed 19<sup>th</sup> Oct, 12.30pm, M40 Hotel was proposed, followed by the AGM, closing BTC Council business, confirming new Board positions.