

East Diving Leadership Group
(the “EDLG” or “Group”)

Minutes of the Diving Leadership Group held via video conference

9th September 2021

Present	Lottie Thompson (LT)	Diving Manager
	Sharyn Bord (SB)	Operations Officer
	Bill Clark (BC)	Specialist
	Allan Jaunzens (AJ)	Cambridge Representative
	Ian Mackenzie (IMK)	Management Board Representative
	Ian Rollinson (IR)	Competitions Officer
	Alice Clarke (AC)	Development Officer
	Derek Beaumont (DB)	Specialist
	Beth Lee (BL)	Luton Representative

21/88		Welcome and Apologies
	21/88.1	Apologies – Karen Bent (Beaumont Representative), Alex Revell (Bedford Eagles) and Ian Ryman (Southend Representative). No representative from Dacorum.
21/89		Declarations of conflict of interest
	21/89.1	None.
21/90		Previous minutes
	21/90.1	The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true record.
21/91		Matters arising
	21/91.1	21/66.2 DB reported that 2 springboards had now been installed at Beaumont and expressed thanks to IMK for all his support.
	21/91.2	21/79.4 LT had attempted to contact Alex Revell to seek his confirmation prior to contacting Leanne Brace/ Suzie Colins but had received no reply. LT expressed concerns not to interfere without Alex confirming his agreement. No further actions to be taken without any input from Bedford Eagles.
	21/91.3	21/80.1 LT had clarified requirement for improved communications with AC and the Group during the planning of the development camps and coach conferences.
	21/91.4	21/85.1 LT had been nominated and won Swim England East Region Innovation Award. The EDLG expressed its congratulations to LT on her well deserved success.
21/92		Correspondence
	21/92.1	Nothing to report.

21/93		Club Reports
	21/93.1	<u>Southend</u> In absence of a club representative attending the meeting, BC confirmed that he would check situation with Ian Ryman.
	21/93.2	<u>Cambridge</u> Although club was still not able to have access to its full pool time, AJ confirmed continued progress with development of both new dryland facility and return to pool for LTD classes. The club was grateful for the continued support of the city council. The club was also pleased to report strong interest for new tasters for Learn to Dive programme on the back of the Olympics and new web site which propmoted the LTD programme more strongly.
	21/93.3	<u>Luton</u> BL reported limited capacity to expand Learn to Dive programme due to limited coaching resources. Newly qualified coaches were waiting to be onboarded by the pool operator.
	21/93.4	<u>Beaumont</u> Despite reinstatement of springboards, DB reported severe challenges for the club due to combination of a significant increase in charges for pool hire combined with limited squad numbers and limited coaching capacity. Situation could become critical unless ongoing negotiations with pool operator to achieve a compromise were successful.
21/94		Operations update
	21/94.1	SB reported that tophies for upcoming club championships were being collected and medals sourced. Officials T shirts were being arranged together with BC.
21/95		Regional Diving Competitions
	21/95.1	Club championships would proceed on the planned date in expectation that pool floor at Southend would be repaired on 24 th September. It was noted that the current pool depth was at 4.8m, which met the minimum FINA regulations for 10m diving. Maximum height for platform diving at the event to be discussed by IR and LT once more information known about the floor post 24 th September. LT suggested the Group identify COVID measure to be introduced to minimise COVID transmission and to safeguard the volunteers, spectators, divers and coaches in attendance and provide comfort to those that may be cautious of returning to competition. The Group agreed that additional measures should be introduced including, but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Distancing of judging/recorder stations - Revised medal presentation ceremony with divers taking awards themselves <p>Action: BC to send out communication to judges</p>
	21/95.2	IR confirmed that new laptops had now been received, checked and updated ready for competition use. He reported some communication problems with local Southend volunteers and asked for clarification on correct communication route. Action: IR to visit Southend to check set up / correct laptop function etc when time allowed. Action: BC to check on most efficient communication routes to help IR organise effectively.

	21/95.3	LT had received confirmation from Leanne Brace that web page could be set up on East Region website to congratulate successful Level X divers accordingly once all results were available.
21/96		Regional Development
	21/96.1	AC confirmed that coaches conference would take place in Southend during weekend of 27 th / 28 th November with exact timing / day(s) still to be confirmed. Proposed sessions to be explored include a rigging CPD, dryand & wet rigging, and strengthening and conditioning workshops. Action: AC to send out updates when more details confirmed.
21/97		Officials Update
21/98	21/97.1	BC working to create an officials mailing list. Email had been sent to clubs and committee members to circulate to the officials in their clubs. Action: All clubs to circulate email to relevant individuals and encourage them to respond and give consent to be added to the Group's mailing list.
	21/98.1	Courses LT reported some reluctance by organiser to offer a further assistant coach course as sign up by participants to the prerequisite online theory course had been poor. LT confirmed she would continue to try to make contact and see when another course could be arranged.
	21/98.2	IR requested clarification from clubs what level of recorders course(s) they required for their individual participants before arranging content / dates. Timing was now likely to be early 2022. Action: Clubs to provide IR with further info.
21/99		AOB
	21/99.1	Nothing to report.
21/100		Confidential Items
	21/100.1	No confidential items to report.
21/101		LT closed the meeting and thanked those attending. Next meeting is scheduled for 7th October at 7.00pm via Zoom.
		Recommendations to ROC
		Income £808
		Expenditure £369.84