

EASTERN COUNTIES CARPET BOWLS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of a Committee Meeting held at the Littleport Leisure Centre on Sunday 12th April 2026 at 6.35pm (upon completion of the Championship)

Present: Officers: G. Sutton – Chairman
M. Giddens – Secretary & Treasurer
P. Daniels – League & Tournament Secretary

County Representatives:

B. Giddens - Cambridgeshire, P. Orrin - Essex,
P. Cook - Hertfordshire, M. Fisher - Norfolk, S. Goodrich - Suffolk

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from J. Ellis – Bedfordshire.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the Committee Meeting held on the 6th October 2024 were confirmed.

3. Matters Arising

There were no matter arising.

4. Chairman's Report

The Chairman thanked Bedfordshire for hosting the Championship today and congratulated Hertfordshire for winning the event.

The Chairman advised he intends to stand down at the AGM, giving time to find someone to take on this role.

It was suggested that a Vice-Chairman should also be appointed at the AGM.

Counties were asked to find people who would be prepared to take on these positions.

5. Secretary & Treasurer's Report

The cost of hall hire for the home league matches will shortly be reimbursed to all counties, there is just one county to submit their cost who confirmed this will be emailed through. There is quite a difference of costs with each county. The income from the league fees is looked to cover costs, but once all costs are known they may not do so this year.

The cost of hiring the Littleport Leisure Centre was increased from the 1st April by £15.00 applicable to both the main and smaller sports halls.

A full financial report will be given at the AGM.

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6. League & Tournament Secretary's Report

The programme for the Champion of Champions will be issued next week. To avoid any issues this year, all counties are to remind their players to read the programme regarding the Dress Code.

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be the Annual General Meeting which will take place at Newmarket on the 18th June 2026 commencing at 7.30pm.

The next committee meeting will be arranged at the AGM.

9. Any Other Business

- i. Essex advised the insurance for their county has been renewed with Abbeystone who were a lot cheaper, and thanked the Treasurer for passing on their details following the Eastern Counties renewing with Abbeystone.

Essex also forwarded a letter of thanks from Breast Cancer Now, the charity chosen by them as hosts for the Teambowl.

- ii Champion of Champions Winners List

An item that was requested at the last AGM, the Secretary advised details of the previous winners of the Champion of Champions was forwarded to the League & Tournament Secretary who has put these on the website.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 6.50 pm.

In confirmation of the foregoing minutes.

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Chairman

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Date