

BRITISH GLIDING ASSOCIATION

MINUTES OF THE BRITISH GLIDING ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON THE 2nd FEBRUARY 2026

PRESENT

George Metcalfe – Chair
Tim Barnes
Mark Fielding
Chris Fox
Craig Lowrie

IN ATTENDANCE

Sam Lazenby - Treasurer and Company Secretary
Pete Stratten - Chief Executive Officer

APOLOGIES

Nick Garland
David McGrath – Vice Chair
Ellen Packham
Matt Page
Lucy Wootton

08/26 PREVIOUS MEETING NOTES

The meeting notes of the 12th January 2026 were approved.

09/26 ANNUAL AUDITED ACCOUNTS TO 30th SEPTEMBER 2026

Sam Lazenby spoke to the previously circulated draft accounts for the year ending 30th September 2026, provided a summary of the key points, and answered detailed questions from those present. The draft accounts v5 were unanimously approved. Sam Lazenby thanked the BGA accounts manager and other staff who supported the audit process.

Status: Closed

10/26 COMPETITIONS COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

Those present considered and accepted the Competitions Committee meeting notes of the 11th December 2026.

Status: Closed

11/26 GENERAL AVIATION SAFETY COUNCIL (GASCo)

Noting a request for a donation from the GASCo charity, those present noted that GASCo's profile and activity has changed following the CAA's decision to move their safety promotion contract from GASCo to another organisation and as a result GASCo's relevance to gliding is not clear. It was agreed that GASCo would be approached to better understand their activity and ambition going forward and that subsequently the situation will be reviewed. Meanwhile, it was agreed to donate £500 as requested by GASCo.

Status: Open Action: Pete Stratten Due: March 2026

12/26 AOB

a. BGA Conference. In answer to a query about preparation for the BGA conference, Pete Stratten advised that the arrangements appear to be as expected at this point in the calendar and noted the usual planning risks and unknowns associated with the event.

Date of next meeting to be notified.