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| **Group name:** | Welsh Athletics Track and Field Officials Committees |
| **Date/Time:** | 17th January 2024 18.00hrs |
| **Attendees:** | Sue Maughan (SM) Sue Hooper (SH) Geoff Wickens (GW) Becky Bell (BB) Zoe Holloway (ZH) Tracey Weetman (TW) |
| **Apologies:** | No South, West, PF or T&F representative. |
| **Secretary:** | Sue Hooper |

Declared Conflicts: SM & GW-Tutors

Update on Actions reviewed from previous meeting:

ZH to co-ordinate declaration of interest return forms.

**Key points Discussed/Decisions Made**

**Home Nations update on L1-3 Pathway:**

ZH- Proposed UK wide Officials Education pathway which the 4 home countries have been working on, the main aim is to get the new pathway launched for the 1st April 2024.

ZH presented followed by group discussions as this was the first time the committee had seen this. Proposal is to make the process simpler for people who have attended course.

Feedback from members of the committee highlighted

* Their concerns in respect of no experience being necessary for new Level 1 officials, leading to referee’s / event organisers being put in a difficult position in respect of allocating duties.
* The feeling that the proposal did not address any of the survey feedback (paperwork / process) and the proposal focused on completion rates rather than providing experience to officials necessary to undertake the roles.
* Safety concerns, specifically for field officials.

ZH will be attending a F2F meeting in Scotland around the proposed new pathway.

**Code of Conduct**:

ZH-87% of officials have accepted the new terms & conditions. England/Scotland & N Ireland is around the 80-90% mark. Cut of was the 1st January 2024 and officials who have not accepted are in a “frozen” status until the end of June 2024 then into a lapsed status.

**Conference:**

ZH-Shared the planned conference ideas.

Sunday 17th March 2024-On line

CEO update on the New strategies/Competitions update/Rule amendments/Inclusion session/Admin roles/New Pathway/Split discipline sessions/Scenarios with open discussion/Quiz/

**Regional updates:**

ZH West….Andrew Jenkins sitting in the role until someone is found. They hope to have someone in place soon.

No other updates.

**AOB;**

Nothing.

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| **New Actions arising** | **Owner** | **Due Date** |
| Race walk representative on committee | SH | On going |
| West & South representative | ZH | On going |
| Conference items/agenda | All | March 2024 |
| Finances-Expenses | ZH/SH | April 2024 |
| ZH to send out Scotland conference ideas to committee | ZH | ASAP |
| ZH to send lapsed officials sign up to committee | ZH | ASAP |
| ZH to feedback following Home Countries meeting | ZH | ASAP |

**Risks**

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| **Risks identified** | **Level** | **Mitigations** |
| *Safety Risks aligned to new proposed Level 1 qualification (no experience required)* |  |  |

Next meeting: Wednesday 17th April 2024 18.00hrs