Minutes of Meeting

Subject: Ashford Rugby Club Committee

Date (Time): 2nd December 2025

Minutes: Charlie Vavasour

Meeting Attendees		**Distribution**
John Norman (JN)	Roger Spicer (RS)	Committee
Charlie Vavasour (CV)	Jamie Booth-Wilde (JBW)	Web Copy
Chris Dengate (CD)	Grant Wilson (GW)	
Martin Worthington (MW)		
Ben Fewsdale (BF)		

Committee Minutes

Welcome/Apologies		**Roger Spicer**

Previous Minutes Matters Arising		**Roger Spicer**

Minutes from the previous meeting held on 05.11.25 were approved.

Matters arising:

It was agreed to order a new stretcher. **RS**

RS to get a quote for moving the gate by the kitchen. **RS**

RS confirmed that the 3-year plan meeting will be held on 10 January 2026**. All**

Chair's Report		**Roger Spicer**

A proposal has been sent to Ashford Barbarians regarding future collaboration, which is being discussed at their next committee meeting on 9 December.

A discussion was held regarding the current social media process, which isn't working across the club. MW to think about how to expand out from the girls' group and how to sort out the approval process. RS to contact Tim Scrivens re: access to templates. **MW/RS**

3g pitch – it is possible to have football and rugby markings on the pitch, which enables senior football to be played.
The FA is in the process of conducting a site survey.

An application for a government grant has been made, which the club will hear about just after Xmas.

Director of Rugby Report		**Chris Dengate**

Ian Lane has been appointed to support the u15 group.

Three players have returned to the club from Canterbury.

The new 1st XV coach has settled in well.

Andy Wickens has been tasked with producing a 12-month pitch maintenance plan.

Treasurer's Report		**Jamie Booth-Wilde**

JBW reported that the fireworks event had brought in £24.5k.

During November the bar took £14k.

The coffee machine had brought in a profit of £1,300 during November.

The shop now has its new stock in place.

Unilever has confirmed its sponsorship of £15k for this season, which should arrive in January, and they have committed to sponsoring for a further two years.

BF discussed the quotes he had received to upgrade the electrics in the club. It was agreed to invest £16.5k for the upgrade. BF to try and get the work done in January. **BF**

RS confirmed he is sourcing a new quote for insurance, removing cover for items already within the RFU Howdens insurance, which should bring the premium down. **RS**

Discipline Report		**Grant Wilson**

The Cranbrook player cited by Ashford received a 4-week ban.
The Snowdown player sent off against Ashford received a 5-week ban.
CD confirmed that iTrust reporting will be in place before Xmas. **CD**

Safeguarding Report		**John Heaver**

No report.

Facilities and Ground Development		**Charlie Vavasour**

CV reported on the two quotes received by padel developers. It was agreed to move forward with Smash Padel. CV

AoB		**All**

GW – the Veo policy has been reviewed and about to be completed. **GW/CD** JBW – suggested inviting junior age groups to be ball boys/girls for 1st XV matches – CD to progress. **CD** MW reported that ARFC will host a Love Rugby event on 21 March, and TSC had been appointed to manage. CV – the club website needs to be updated. MW has done a lot of work on it, but it needs a dedicated point of contact. MW reported that Chris Logan had agreed to take the task on. RS reported that the Star Scheme will be launched next summer, with potentially a crack at the World Record for the longest continuous rugby game being played. RS and JBW will progress an idea to hold a sponsor's lunch. **RS/JBW** **Next meeting confirmed for 04/02/26 - venue TBC.**		
02/12/25	**Meeting complete: 21:00**	**Signed:**