

## Note of Meeting of the Chess Scotland Standards Committee

Held on Wednesday 08 April 2015

Meeting conducted using Skype.

### Present:-

Lara A L Barnes  
Richard Heathwood - Chairman  
Gerald Loblely  
Ken Stewart

### Apologies:-

Patrick McGovern - Vice Chairman  
Judith Milton  
John S R Smith

## PREVIOUS MINUTES

The agreed Minute of the most recent Meeting, 19 October 2013, had been posted to the website.

## REVIEW OF PAST YEAR

The opportunity was taken to have a general discussion on the committee's activity. A number of issues were discussed but no changes to the Operating Procedures were considered necessary. The procedural revisions agreed at the 2013 Annual General Meeting and recorded on the Chess Scotland website continued to apply.

Passing reference was made to the recent (21 March) meeting of Chess Scotland Council. It was noted that one Council member had used that platform to make a number of critical comments on the topic of child protection within Chess Scotland. The hope was expressed that the expression of that minority view did not give rise to alarm for parents of children who were participating in chess events. The particular circumstance referred to had been considered, the relevant parties had been consulted and, from a Standards Committee perspective, the matter was closed.

## STANDARDS COMMITTEE - MEMBERSHIP

In August 2015, the existing membership of the Standards Committee would have completed their three year term. At that time it would be open to each member either to resign from further participation or to allow their name to be considered for election for another term. As with the detailed Operating Procedures, Membership of the Standards Committee was decided by the AGM.

## DATE OF NEXT MEETING

No requirement was identified for a further meeting in the foreseeable future.