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Dear Member

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2020**

We have reluctantly decided that CF10's Annual General Meeting which was due to be held on **WEDNESDAY 25 MARCH 2020** should be **POSTPONED.** Having taken soundings, many people feel that given the current crisis which the country is facing such gatherings should not take place unless absolutely necessary. The health and wellbeing of our members has to be our top priority and we have not taken this decision lightly.

We will endeavour to reorganise the AGM when we are clearer about the COVID-19 situation. I know that many of you were particularly looking forward to hearing Cardiff and Wales legend, Gerald Davies CBE speak. We will try to organise a date when Gerald is available.

The AGM was to comprise:

- An update on progress during the previous year
- An opportunity for members' questions and discussion
- A presentation of the accounts
- The election of a Treasurer and up to six Board Directors.

The Annual Report 2018/19 and the Final Accounts are available for members' scrutiny on the website if you have any questions, by all means get in touch.

We were also planning to present some thoughts on the way forward for CF10 over the next year. We'll discuss these matter in the next newsletter, including the important proposal of a Supporter Director on the Cardiff Blues Board.

An important role of the AGM was to elect or ratify nominations for Board membership. We have received one nomination for the role of Treasurer: Derek Redwood (Treasurer).

We have received the following nominations for Board membership:

Simon Baker; Andrew Bold; Sally Carter; Andrew Collins; Lynn Glaister.

The personal statement of each candidate is available for your perusal on the website.

As there was only one nomination for the role of Treasurer and 5 nominations for Board membership (with 6 vacancies for the latter) there is no need for an election at the AGM. That meeting would normally have ratified the election of the individuals by a show of hands, as at previous AGMs. Clearly this will not be possible if the meeting is postponed. However, under article 8.2 of our Standing Orders for Election Policy all candidates will be appointed to the Board otherwise we will not have a quorate Board with currently only the Chair and Secretary in post: "If there are as many or fewer candidates than there are places, an affirmative ballot shall be held at the AGM. Each successfully nominated candidate will be put before the meeting for the approval of members. Any candidate not receiving the support of more than half of those present in person shall be deemed to have not been elected. The exception shall be that should the failure to elect any of the validly nominated candidates leave the Board below the minimum required under the Rules for them to act, all validly nominated candidates shall be deemed elected and this declared at the AGM."

With the Pro14 postponed on an indefinite basis and other sporting fixtures also being cancelled, the next few months are going to be difficult for both rugby and sport in general. When the picture is clearer, we will re-arrange the AGM.

In the meantime, if you have any queries about the matters raised in this letter, please do get in touch.

Yours faithfully,

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