



COUNCIL OF SOUTHERN CAVING CLUBS

A constituent member of the British Caving Association

Agenda for Extraordinary General Meeting

to be held on Monday 7 July 2025

Online Zoom Meeting 19:00

- **Zoom Meeting Invite**

Topic: CSCC EGM - Longleat Access Agreement

Time: Jul 7, 2025 19:00 London

Join Zoom Meeting

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- Please be aware that this meeting will be recorded for minute taking reasons.
- The Constitution requires 6 weeks notice to call an EGM. The C&A Officer considers waiting six weeks a risk because "From my perspective, it would be good to keep up some momentum with Longleat. For various reasons, the access agreement is currently an agenda item for the Longleat board of directors. If I inform them that there will be a two month delay then it is likely it will be taken off the agenda and it may take some time to get it back on there."
- To remain within the Constitution, a decision to proceed made at the EGM has to be ratified at our scheduled GM on the 18th August. The agreement can be cancelled by the GM if needs be.
- A good attendance is encouraged so that we meet the quorum of 8 people. If we don't meet quorum the meeting will carry on but there will be an additional reason to ratify it at our August meeting.
- The documents that comprise the agreement have been circulated to the Club Reps. and Officers.

1. Attendance

Please Note the CSCC constitution:

5g, "Nominated representatives must present written authorisation from the Chairman or Secretary of their Member organisation at or before the beginning of each meeting."

The GM will be a Zoom meeting. The secretary is happy to accept an email or letter from the respective club chairman or secretary, prior to the start of the meeting. Please note this doesn't have to be every meeting, once a year is fine, perhaps after the clubs AGM where you appoint your CSCC rep.

2. Apologies for absence

3. Election of chair for this meeting

4. Chair's Opening Remarks

5. Cheddar Caves Access Agreement

Our C&A Officer, Wayne Starsmore, has been working very hard over a long period of time to deliver an access agreement with Longleat Estates for their caves (Gough's Cave, Reservoir Hole and Spider Hole).

An agreement is now ready to be signed. The purpose of this EGM is to debate and vote upon the following proposal:

It is proposed that the Cheddar Caves Access Agreement between Cheddar Gorge and Caves a registered division of Longleat Enterprises Ltd and the Council of Southern Cave Clubs be accepted and that the Chair and the Conservation & Access Officers be authorised to sign the agreement.