UK YOUTH DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE

2026 Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given in accordance with the League's constitution, that the 2026 Annual General Meeting of the League will be held virtually on Sunday 29th November 2026 at 11.30

A G E N D A

1. Apologies for absence –

2. Minutes of the 2025 AGM

3. Proposal arising from the 2025 discussion following feedback from Composites working Group. This does not change the constitution or rules of the league but is an important tightening of the rules around the approval process for new and renewing Composite teams – See Appendix 2

4. Chairs Annual Report

5. Administrator's Annual Report

6. Financial matters:
   - 6.1.1. Finance Officer's Report
   - 6.1.2. Consideration of the accounts for the year ending 30th September 2026
   - 6.1.3. Adoption of the accounts
   - 6.1.4. Subscriptions for 2026/2027. The Management Committee proposes that subscriptions are increased to £150 per match per team plus some such sum as the Management Committee may fix to attend any subsequent fixtures to include finals and promotion matches.
   - 6.1.5. In addition to the above Subscription, Composite teams to pay a one-off annual administration payment of £100 to cover the additional work involved in approving the composite, plus additional work on the software on the Portal, the results and ensuring the athletes within the composite are credited with their performances on Power of 10
   - 6.1.6. To approve the Management Committee's proposal to reimburse photofinish expenses to £500 (this is an increase of £200 and reflects the feedback from clubs and athletes who feel that photofinish, particularly in the Upper Age Group, is one of the reasons they choose to compete)

7. To consider the following resolutions. These resolutions need a simple majority to be passed:

   7.1. Proposals from clubs – there are no proposals from clubs

7.2. Proposed by the Management Group

7.2.1. The Management Group propose the following changes to the Rules of competition for 2027

Changes to Section 1 – General

Rule 1.15 - Any other complaint should be made in writing on club headed notepaper or from an official club email address to the League Chair and signed by 2 principal officers of the club within 2 weeks of the incident; this complaint will be taken as indication that the club management is in agreement, and the necessary action/investigation will be carried out as deemed appropriate.

Rationale – this is to make it easier for clubs to address complaints to the league and gives an option for complaints to be submitted via a club's email, as well as onheaded paper

Rule 1.16 - 'To arrive at a fair decision in the case of any protest concerning the or conduct of an event, the applicable referee should consider any available evidence which they think necessary, including any film or picture produced by an official video recording or photograph and, at their discretion, result any other video or photographic evidence but only if supplied by the relevant team manager making the protest on the day of the competition.'

Rationale – this adopts and clarifies UKA rule 8.3 and sets out criteria for the resolution of disputes.

Changes to Section 2 – Responsibilities of Host Clubs

Rule 2 – add an additional requirement to the responsibility of the host club:

Rule 2.1.5 - any change to the timetable recommended by the league which must be agreed in advance by all the clubs in that division

Rationale – there are situations where timetable changes need to be made to either address the venue's requirements or improving the timetabling of the event. This rule makes it clear that it is the host club's responsibility to ensure that all clubs are in agreement and are informed of the change

Rule 2.3.1 - The host club of an Upper Age Group match must make every effort to secure photofinish and wind gauge equipment, together with the appropriate officials

Rationale – This adds a further requirement for the host club to ensure that every effort is made to secure PF and WG equipment – the league have substantially increased the financial payment for provision of this equipment and it was raised repeatedly in the surveys.

Rule 2.6.1 - Live results will be available and the host club must make every effort to secure wi-fi at the venue and advertise the availability of these results.

Rationale – This was an innovation that the league tested last year and was popular among the athletes and clubs. This makes it a responsibility of the host club to try and provide the technology to take advantage of this innovation.

Changes to Section 3 – Eligibility of Athletes (Upper Age Group)

Rule 3.1.1 -Competitors can be either first claim members of their club or second claim (2nd claim) members whose first claim club is not a member of the League*. Clubs are limited to 4 x U18 and 6 x U20 male and 4 x U18 and 6 x U20 female second-claim athletes per match. (For Clarification: *This refers to clubs who are not members of the league in the UAG, athletes whose first claim clubs only compete in the LAG are eligible to compete as second claim members for a standalone club in the UAG. Composite teams are not permitted to use second claim members – see Appendix 1).

Rationale – The league recognises that many clubs struggle to attract their first claim U20 athletes, many of whom are participating in exams. This rule opens up the 2nd claim route to all U20 athletes in the country. England Athletics will be promoting this league to U20 athletes, particularly to those whose clubs do not participate in the league.

Changes to Section 7 Declarations

Rule 7.3 - Second-claim athletes (applicable only to upper age group athletes – subject to a maximum of 4 x U18 and 6 x U20 male and 4 x U18 and 6 x U20 female per club per match) must be clearly identified on the portal.

Rationale – this is a change linked to Rule 3.1.1 increasing the number of 2nd claim athletes in the UAG

Addition to Section 11 Scoring

Rule 11.10 - Any performance in the Upper Age Group which does not meet the 'Standard for Scoring – Appendix 1 will be recorded on the results and allocated to the athletes profile on Power of 10. However the result will not count for team scoring purposes.

Rationale – This is a new rule which will apply in the UAG and brings all events into line with the High Jump, Pole Valt and Triple Jump, introducing minimum standards to score. This is not an attempt to limit the opportunity to compete and is set at a sufficiently low standard to allow athletes who are competent in the event to participate and score.

Changes to Section 12 Non Scoring Events

Rule 12.1 - In the Upper Age Group increase number of non-scoring events on the track by 2 per gender (10 – no more than 3 can be field events)

Rationale – This increase has been introduced to open up the competition to more U18 and U20 athletes who want to compete in the more popular events e.g. sprints

7.2.2. To consider the following amendments to the constitution. These resolutions amend the constitution and so require two thirds of those voting in favour for it to be adopted; they may not be amended from the floor.

New Clause under Section 4 Termination of Membership

Clause 4.5- The expulsion of the Club or Composite Team from the League following a failure to provide **any** officials or volunteer unlicensed officials at more than one match

Rationale this is added to the list of clauses associated with termination of membership. It is a requirement of the league that teams provide officials or volunteers to facilitate the

delivery of meetings. This simply introduces a sanction for teams who consistently fail to provide officials and/or volunteers.

Change to Clause under Section 11 Business of General Meetings

Clause 11.2 - Every motion including nominations for Officers or the Management Group to be placed on the Agenda shall be sent in writing to the Administrator at least 28 days before the date of the meeting. All motions (other than those brought forward by the Management Group) must be submitted by at least six Clubs or Composite Teams. Any nominations for the Management Group or motions must be on club headed notepaper or from an official club email address and submitted by any two Officers of the Club or the YDL representative and one other Officer of the Club and must have the agreement of the Club's Management Committee. Composite teams are considered to be one Club and any resolutions from a Composite team must be submitted by any two representatives of that Composite team one of whom may be its YDL representative but must have the agreement of the majority of the members of that Composite.

Rationale – this is a small change to recognise that most correspondence is now done via e-mail and that clubs will not necessarily have headed paper and is associated with rule change 1.15

8 Election of management committee vacancies (with Terms of office as shown).

Nominations received for:

To be added

9 Date of the 2027 Annual General Meeting – November 2027 (actual date to be confirmed)

NOTE
Short breaks may need to be taken during the meeting in order to verify votes
Delegates are advised to ensure they have lunch and drinks available during the meeting, a short break for lunch will be taken around 1pm

APPENDIX 1

MINIMUM STANDARDS for Upper Age Group

Starting Heights, High Jump: U18W 1.25m, U18M 1.35m, U20W 1.30m, U20M 1.50m.
Progression by 5cm until 3 competitors remain, then by 3cm. No Jump-off, points shared.

Starting Heights, Pole Vault: U18W 2.00m, U18M 2.30m, U20W 2.15m, U20M 2.45m.
Progression by 15cm until 3 competitors remain, then at the discretion of the referee or event leader.
No jump-off, points shared.

Triple Jump: minimum take off board, 7 Metres

	Proposed Min standard for 2027 for Men	Proposed Min standard for 2027 for Women
100	14.50	16.00
200	30.00	33.00
400	67.00	78.00
800	2.45	3.00
1500	5.30	7.00
3000	12.00	14.50
Hurdles	18.50	20.50
400H	85.00	95.50
S/C	8.00	9.00
HJ	1.35	1.25
PV	2.30	1.70
LJ	4.00	3.20
TJ	8.00	7.50
SP	6.00	5.00
DISC	15.00	15.00
HAMM	15.00	15.00
JAV	15.00	15.00

APPENDIX 2

COMPOSITE TEAMS

The following guidelines will be used each year to evaluate applications for new composite teams and for renewal of existing composite teams (whether or not changes are being proposed to a composite). For this purpose, an additional section shall be added to the relevant application/renewal form(s), where it applies to a composite team, requiring provision of (a) the reasons for applying to join/renew as a composite team and (b) the following information for each club in the composite team – for each age group (U20 and U18 or U16 and U14, as appropriate) the number of registered athletes (M and F) of that club, further sub-divided into event categories (sprints, MD, horizontal jumps, vertical jumps and throws) together, if different, with the numbers of athletes who competed in the League during the season just finished.

This information should demonstrate whether each of the clubs might reasonably be considered to need composite status.

The guidelines will be: (1) to consider whether there is any reason to reject the application that would outweigh the benefits to the relevant clubs of being granted membership as a composite team; (2) if so whether and, if so, how that reason can be addressed so as to allow the composite team to be accepted; (3) in the case of a renewal, whether the original reason(s) for the application may reasonably be considered to have been substantially achieved; and, (4) that acceptance will be consistent with the League's development purpose.

Further guidance will be developed as to how component teams are to be accommodated in the League structure when a composite disbands for any reason.