

Company Number: 06952200

PARKOUR UK LIMITED

(the "Company")

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE COMPANY HELD
AT FLUIDITY FREERUN AT THEIR ACADEMY, UNIT G ,
PENGAM ROAD, CARDIFF CF24 2RZ, WALES
SATURDAY 8 JULY 2017 18.00**

In attendance:

Stephen Mitchell, Independent Chair, Parkour UK
Dan Edwardes, Elected Director, Parkour UK
Brad Wendes, Elected Director, Parkour UK
Scott Jackson, Elected Director, Parkour UK
Daniel Timms, Elected Director, Parkour UK
Gordon Tsang, Elected Director, Parkour UK
Craig Robinson, Elected Director, Parkour UK
Eugene Minogue, Chief Executive, Parkour UK
Caroline Brennan, Observer
Edinburgh Parkour
JUMP Parkour
Train Hard Parkour & Freerunning
Parkour Generations
Access Parkour
Fluidity Freerun
Roots of Movement

Independent Invigilator: Kate Evans, Welsh Sports Association

Apologies:

Catherine Baker, Independent Director, Parkour UK
Mark Abberley, Independent Director, Parkour UK
Matt McCreary, Elected Director, Parkour UK
Free Your Instinct
Foucan Freerunning Academy
Southend Parkour

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1. **Welcome & Introductions** (meeting commenced at 18:21)
 - 1.1 The Chair opened the meeting and welcomed all in attendance

- 1.1.2 The chair expressed thanks on behalf of Parkour UK to our members Fluidity Freerun, for hosting our 2017 AGJaM and providing the meeting venue for the formal AGM, particularly that there was no chairs, meaning that it would be a 'active meeting'
- 1.1.3 The Chair requested the community in attendance undertake silent movement for a one minute around the facilities in remembrance of Brian Appiah Obeng & Nye Frankie Newman
- 1.1.4 The Chair introduced and thanked the Welsh Sports Association (WSA), who have sent Kate Evans who is attending today's AGM to independently invigilate the meeting, in addition to their continued and on-going support
- 1.1.5 The Chair outlined 'house-keeping' for the meeting & the venue
- 1.2 Introductions & apologies for the meeting
2. **Notice and quorum**
- 2.1 The Chair reported that due notice of the meeting had been given to all of the Members & Directors of the Company and that the meeting was quorate
3. **Chair asked for any items of Any Other Business (AOB):**
- 3.1 No items were raised for Any Other Business
4. **Minutes of the last meeting & matters arising**
- 4.1 The Chair went through the draft 2016 AGM minutes page by page, requesting any queries and/or amendments from members and/or the Directors
- 4.2 The Chair requested if there were any matters arising from the draft minutes of the 2016 AGM.
- 4.3 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that there was no matters arising and the minutes of the meeting held on 9 July 2016 were approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting and should be signed by the Chair, Elected Director & CEO
5. **Directors duties declarations of interest**
- 5.1 The directors were reminded that they needed to comply with their duties to the Company, including the duties set out in sections 171 to 177 Companies Act 2006. These included a duty to declare interests in proposed transactions and arrangements with the Company and a separate and independent statutory obligation to declare interests in existing transactions and arrangements with the Company ("transactional interests").
- 5.2 Each director was reminded that they also needed to comply with their duty to avoid a situation in which they have, or could have, a direct or indirect interest that conflicts, or possibly may conflict, with the interests of the Company ("situational conflicts"), unless authorised either by directors independent of the conflict, as permitted by the Companies Act 2006 or in one of the other ways permitted by the legislation.

- 5.3 Dan Edwardes, Elected Director declared an interest with members Parkour Generations
- 5.4 Brad Wendes, Elected Director declared an interest with members Team Kinetix
- 5.5 Scott Jackson, Elected Director declared an interest with members Train Hard Parkour & Freerunning
- 5.6 Dan Timms, Elected Director declared an interest with members JUMP Parkour
- 5.7 Gordon Tsang, Elected Director declared an interest with members Edinburgh Parkour & Access Parkour
- 5.8 Craig Robinson, Elected Director declared and interest with members Fluidity Freerun
- 5.9 No further declarations of interests in relation to the agenda items were declared.

6. **Report of the activities of the company**

6.1 **Sports Councils Recognition**

- 6.1.1 The CEO advised that the recognition of Parkour/Freerunning as a sport & Parkour UK as the National Governing Body (NGB) by the Home Country Sports Councils - Sport England, Sport Northern Ireland, sport**scotland**, Sport Wales and UK Sport follows completion of the UK recognition process by Parkour UK.
- 6.1.2 The full application for recognition was submitted in August 2015 and was recommended for approval by the UK Recognition Panel in Dec 2015. During 2016 the Boards of the Home Country Sports Councils approved the full application for recognition, with the final confirmation of recognition being confirmed in October 2016.
- 6.1.3 The formal announcement of recognition took place on Tuesday, January 10, 2017. The Sports Minister, Tracey Crouch, alongside the (then) President of Parkour UK and a founder of Parkour/Freerunning, Sebastien Foucan announced the formal recognition of Parkour/Freerunning as a sport and Parkour UK as the recognised NGB for the sport in the UK.
- 6.1.4 Recognition will enable Parkour/Freerunning groups and organisations affiliated to Parkour UK to apply to the home country sports councils for lottery or exchequer funding to support the development of the sport locally in each home nation.

6.2 **Qualifications & Training:**

- 6.2.1 The CEO outlined the number of courses delivered and/or currently scheduled for delivery throughout 2016 and that these will/would be hosted by member organisations across the UK including, London, Leicester, Leeds, Liverpool, Poole, Belfast, Edinburgh, Glasgow, & Cardiff.
 - Eight, Parkour UK 1st4sport Level 1 Award in Coaching Parkour / Freerunning

- Three, Parkour UK 1st4sport Level 2 Certificate in Coaching Parkour/Freerunning & three sets of Level 2 Assessments
- Three, Parkour UK 1st4sport Introductory CPD Award in Teaching Parkour/Freerunning (QTS)
- Eight, Parkour UK Sports Leaders UK Award in Leading Parkour/Freerunning

6.2.2 The CEO advised that we will provide additional courses as and where there is sufficient need, demand and/or gaps.

6.2.3 The CEO highlighted that we are piloting the Parkour UK 1st4sport Level 1 Award for Activators [Parkour/Freerunning] with final pilot in June 2017 with our partners StreetGames. This will replace our Parkour UK Sports Leaders UK Award in Leading Parkour/Freerunning. Post-delivery of the final pilot we will also roll-out the tutor training for the new Activators qualification to those who are eligible to tutor the course

6.2.4 The CEO advised that our Parkour UK AQA Unit 1 & Unit 2 Award Scheme in Parkour/Freerunning has been migrated to 1st4sport Qualifications and we have the opportunity to further expand these in the future.

6.2.5 The CEO advised that all Parkour UK Awards, CPD & Qualifications would be reviewed, due to the forthcoming changes to the QCF and introduction of the RQF, the forthcoming publication of the Coaching Plan for England, UK Coaching – Future Coaching.

6.2.6 The CEO advised that changes to our Parkour UK 1st4sport Level 1 Award & Level 2 Certificate in Coaching Parkour/Freerunning had now been implemented for these courses/assessments throughout 2017 onwards

6.2.7 The CEO advised that the Workforce Subcommittee (WSC) – Terms of Reference were adopted by Board and the first WSC would be held before the December 2017 Board meeting.

6.3 **Membership**

6.4.1 The CEO advised that invitations to apply or renew membership have been posted on the website and social media channels. Membership emails were distributed to members on the 5th January 2017, with follow up reminders sent on the 12th & 28th January 2017

6.4.2 Additionally, a significant social media outreach inviting various organisations from across the UK to join has been undertaken with over 130+ groups/organisations.

6.4.3 The current levels of existing membership for 2017 (as of the AGM) are:

6.4.4 **Associate Members** (28): Southend Parkour, UKCF Academy, London Parkour Project, Oxford Parkour, Project Z Parkour, EMP Parkour, Aberdeen Parkour, Edinburgh Parkour, UCLU Parkour Club, Crawley Parkour, Team Reality, Perthshire

Free Runners, West Coast Shift, Belfast Parkour, West Coast Parkour, Didcot Parkour, Evolve, Loughborough University Parkour Society, Brighton Parkour Coaching, Street Media, Level Up Academy CIC, Kinetics Body And Mind Ltd, Northern Focus Parkour, Control Movement, 3RUN, Wyre Parkour, Steel City

6.4.5 **Affiliate Members** (8): Retraceuring Steps, Airborn Academy, The Momentum Community, JUMP Parkour, Esprit Concrete, Parkour Dance Company, Roots of Movement, Sport Parkour

6.4.6 **Affiliate+ Members** (15): Team Kinetix, Train Hard Parkour, Fluidity Freerun Academy, Parkour Generations, Access Parkour, Free Your Instinct, SingleBound, The Nantwich Freerunners, Foucan Freerunning Academy, Apeuro Freerun, Thanet Parkour Academy, London School of Parkour, Jump NI, AiM Sports Academy, Displacement Parkour (Ireland)

6.4.7 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the list of current members, as approved by Board are formally approved as members of Parkour UK. The Board will continue to approve applications for membership and will bring forwards the list of members for formal approval at each AGM.

6.4.8 The CEO advised that the Board had set the subscriptions of membership in 2018 at FREE for Associate Membership, £175.00 Affiliate Memberships and £175.00 plus insurance costs (TBC) for Affiliate+ Membership in 2018. Members will be notified by 31st October 2017, as per the requirements of our Mem & Arts

6.4 Other activities

6.5.1 The CEO advised that the data from [Sport England's #ActiveLives](#) Survey shows participation figures of 96,700 in Parkour/Freerunning! It's great to finally see Parkour/Freerunning featuring in the participation figures in the new [Active Lives Survey -Year 1 Report](#). The data on those (16+) in England that have participated in Parkour/Freerunning [showed over 96,700*](#) had taken part at least twice in the last 28 days! Almost **twice** the size of Skateboarding, **three times** the size of Judo and **almost four times** the size of Triathlon! The data certainly demonstrates the reach, breadth and depth of Parkour/Freerunning, not just in England, but across the UK and our community.

6.5.2 The CEO advised that as these figures were compiled pre-recognition it is expected that the next set of results we are likely to have a 'spike' in the next set of data from Sport England's ActiveLives survey, as we will probably receive a 'bounce' post-recognition. This will need managing with Sport England, within our community and others.

6.5.3 The CEO advised the new website went live for 2017 and fully functional. There are a number of additional enhancements and functionality that will go live over the next few months, as and when the web-services powered by Playwaze go live, including the latest developments on OpenActive

- 6.5.4 The CEO advised that the Parkour Professionals Register has been migrated in-house and is now powered by Playwaze. Applications and renewals were available via the new Parkour UK website as of 1st January 2017
- 6.5.5 The CEO advised that our new app and web services, powered by Playwaze launched on 1st Jan and we are still in the deployment phase. There are a number of further integrations over the coming year to make the app and web services a key support vehicle for our communities. We are encouraging our community to engage with the gradual roll out of these integrations
- 6.5.6 The CEO advised that the British Standards Institution (BSI) published BS EN16899:2016 the European Standard for Parkour Equipment – Safety requirements and test methods on the 1st February 2017. BSI, as a member of CEN, is obliged to publish EN 16899 as a British Standard. This is the UK implementation of EN 16899:2016, which supersedes the British Standard BS 10075:2013 which is now withdrawn. A UK foreword was drafted by the UK Committee SW/65/1 and added to BS EN 16899, this foreword detailed the objection the UK had and any further guidance. Parkour UK as the NGB will be directly mentioned in the foreword, in relation to being able to provide further IAG as the NGB in the UK.
- 6.5.7 The Sport & Recreation Alliance have launched their second reconomics report – [Reconomics Plus](#), which intends to showcase the value, impact and contribution the outdoors makes. As part of the report is a feature on Free Your Instinct and [their Parkour for Mental Health project](#).

7. **Report from the Independent Chair**

- 7.1 The Chair welcomed the continued opportunity as Independent Chair of Parkour UK and that it was a privilege to serve our community.
- 7.2 The Chair wished to express his thanks to the CEO & other Board members for the work they have put in to get the NGB to this historical point, having achieved recognition for the Sport and the NGB and throughout the 2016/17 year.
- 7.3 The Chair provided an overview of the various projects including; growth in membership, more people trained and qualified via Parkour UK Awards, CPD & Qualifications during 2017, the diverse projects, more work recommissioned through Parkour UK for members – either, directly and/or indirectly, particularly our continued presence on Olympic Park - via Active People, Active Park (APAP).
- 7.4 In terms of the 2017/18 year ahead, the Chair outlined the following developments and commitments:
 - 7.4.1 New website, Open Data and app provided by Playwaze
 - 7.4.2 Focus on workforce, qualifications, awards and CPD for 2018
 - 7.4.3 Reviewed and refreshed approach to Awards, CPD & Qualifications

- 7.4.4 Continued focus on women and girls growth and development, particularly in our workforce
 - 7.4.5 Developing our strategy to drive more income & commissioned projects for our community/members
 - 7.4.6 Growth in participation, membership & impact – particularly given the amazing numbers shown in the Sport England Active Lives survey, as highlighted by the CEO.
 - 7.4.7 Parkour UK continued commitment to always fully represent the community
 - 7.4.8 Ensure Parkour UK is and will always be ahead of the curve in terms of ‘Good Governance’
 - 7.4.9 Maintain our strong rapport and relationships with funders, partners and the various Sports Councils of the UK
 - 7.4.10 Embrace, tackle and proactively contribute to the challenges of inactivity
- 7.5 The Chair provided an overview of the [UK Code for Sports Governance](#), which sets out the levels of transparency, accountability and financial integrity that will be required from those who ask for Government and National Lottery funding from April 2017. The Code has three tiers and will apply to any organisation seeking funding from Sport England or UK Sport, regardless of size and sector, including national governing bodies of sport, clubs, charities and local authorities. The Code is proportionate, expecting the highest standards of good governance from organisations requesting the largest public investments, including:
- Increased skills and diversity in decision making, with a target of at least 30 per cent gender diversity on boards
 - Greater transparency, for example publishing more information on the structure, strategy and financial position of the organisation.
 - Constitutional arrangements that give boards the prime role in decision making.

The Government announced that a new governance code would be developed in its Sporting Future strategy, published in December 2015

- 7.6 The Chair advised that following the publication of the Code of Sports Governance, the Sport + Recreation Alliance have refreshed their ‘Voluntary Code of Good Governance’ – of which Parkour UK was a signatory – and launched The Principles of Good Governance.

The Principles represent best practice in governance, developed through our experience working with organisations across the sector. Each principle is accompanied by a list of recommended actions to achieve better governance. The Principles are intended to be applied flexibly, allowing us to apply the principles in a proportionate way. SRA want The Principles to be used as widely as possible; including by National Governing Bodies (NGBs), regional and county associations, sport for development organisations and local

sport and recreation groups. They are providing the resources for all organisations to make an informed decision about what is right for them.

The Chair advised that Parkour UK would sign up to, commit to and implement the Sports + Recreation Alliance – Principles of Good Governance. It was agreed that Catherine Baker, as the Senior Independent Director would be the named Governance Lead.

- 7.7 The chair outlined the process of appointment of the Independent Director, encouraged the membership to positively support the proposed resolutions so that the company can continue our developments towards fully implementing the 'Voluntary Code of Good Governance'
- 7.8 The Chair wished to formally thank Dan Edwardes, for and on behalf of the Board, members and community for his personal commitment, time, contributions and efforts with Parkour UK, as today was his last Board meeting as his maximum two four year terms will expire as of today's AGM
- 7.9 The Chair wished to formally thank Sebastien Foucan, for and on behalf of the Board, members and community for his personal commitment, time, contributions and efforts as President of Parkour UK, following his resignation as President in May 2017
- 7.10 The Chair wished to make a special acknowledgement for and on behalf of the Board, members and community to Brian Appiah Obeng and Nye Frankie Newman who passed away within the last year.
- 7.11 The Chair wished to formally thank the Board members and the CEO for their continued time, effort, dedication and commitment to the work of the NGB and our community

8. Directors Report & Company Accounts

- 8.1 Accounts up to 31st March 2017
 - 8.1.1 The CEO for and on behalf of the Board outlined the requirements under Companies Act 2006 and the company's statutory requirements
 - 8.1.2 The CEO for and on behalf of the Board outlined the company's accounts for 2016/17 (year-end 31st March 2017) have been fully drafted, agreed in principle by the Board and are ready to be submitted to Companies House for filing subject to final approval
- 8.2 The appointment of the company's auditors for the year to 31st March 2018 would be delegated to the Board
 - 8.2.1 The CEO & Independent Chair outlined the significant cost of appointing auditors and that the company was not currently in a financial position to appoint auditors for the 2017/18 financial year
 - 8.2.2 The CEO & Independent Chair outlined that the company will not appoint auditors. Therefore it is proposed that auditors could be appointed at the 2018 AGM onwards

8.2.3 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that companies annual accounts be accepted in principle and filed at the Companies House following final approval from the Board

9. Governance

9.1 Presidency

9.1.1 The CEO advised that as members you may all be aware, it is with great sadness that Sebastien Foucan notified me of his decision to step down as President of Parkour UK, on the 14th May. I would like to express mine/our extreme gratitude to the unconditional support he has shown to Parkour UK & also me personally, over a number of years. His support and contribution to our mission and achieving Recognition should be formally acknowledged, by Parkour UK, the Board and our member organisations.

9.1.2 Parkour UK would like to formally and publicly acknowledge the significant contribution and support given by Sebastien Foucan throughout his two years as President, but also prior to this as an active and unconditional ambassador for Parkour UK. Thank you

9.1.3 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that as Sebastien Foucan is standing down as President of Parkour UK, that the role will not be opened up to nomination/election by the Parkour UK community (membership) under our Mem & Arts, as the Board felt that there was no one else currently within the UK community that could fulfil the gravitas of the role

9.2 UK Governance Code – Proposed amendments to the Memorandum & Articles of Association

9.2.1 The CEO advised that the proposed [Articles of Association](#) & the [Articles of Association](#) compared to current [Articles of Association](#) had been duly circulated to membership prior to the AGM in accordance with our Mem & Arts

9.2.2 In addition a [summary of changes to Mem & Arts to meet Tier 3 requirements](#) of the Code of Sports Governance had been duly circulated to membership prior to the AGM in accordance with our Mem & Arts

9.2.3 The CEO advised that that the proposed Mem & Arts were carefully considered by the Board and the directors carefully considered and noted the reasons why the Parkour UK should adopt these. The Board noted and agreed the inclusion of provisions from the UK Sport Governance code to ensure compliance with Tier 3.

9.2.4 The Board resolved that, having considered the matters in section 172 of the Act, it would be most likely to promote the success of the Parkour UK, for the benefit of its members as a whole and would constitute a proper exercise of the director's powers for the Company to adopt the proposed Mem & Arts.

9.2.5 It was noted that a resolution of the Parkour UK's members was required to adopt the New Articles.

- 9.2.6 The CEO produced to the meeting the following draft written resolution (Written Resolution) proposed to be circulated to the Company's members:

By Special Resolution

That the draft regulations produced to the meeting be adopted as the articles of association of the Company in substitution for, and to the exclusion of, its existing articles of association

- 9.2.7 The CEO circulated the Written Resolution to the Parkour UK's members at this evenings AGM.
- 9.2.8 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that subject to the Written Resolution unanimously passed by the Members as Parkour UK's new Mem & Arts and are duly adopted.
- 9.2.9 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the directors of the Company arrange for a certificate of passing to be filed at Companies House.

9.3 Registered Office:

- 9.3.1 The CEO advised that the Sport + Recreation Alliance were no longer able to provide registered office services to Parkour UK, due to very recent changes in Anti Money Laundering (AML) regulations
- 9.3.2 The CEO circulated a proposal from Haysmacintyre to Board on their registered office services and company support packages.
- 9.3.3 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that Parkour UK would relocate our registered office from Sport & recreation Alliance to Haysmacintyre. The change of registered office would be filed with Companies House as part of the filings of the AGM filings

9.4 Parkour UK "Limited"

- 9.4.1 The CEO advised as we have now achieved recognition, we apply to Companies House for exemption from requirement as to use of "limited" within our company name
- 9.4.2 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that we complete and return NE01 form to Companies House for exemption from requirement as to use of "limited" within our company name. The change of name would be filed with Companies House as part of the filings of the AGM filings

9.5 Recommendation from the Board for the appointment of an Independent Directors

- 9.5.1 The Chair provided a brief overview of the shortlisted applicants for the role of Independent Director. All applicants were invited to interview; each applicant had an informal conversation/chat with the CEO followed by a formal interview with the Nomination Committee
- 9.5.2 The Board wished to formally record their thanks to Nomination Committee and the CEO for their help and assistance in the recruitment process

9.5.3 The recruitment panel has made the recommendation to appointment Caroline Brennan as an Independent Director of Parkour UK. This recommendation has been approved by Board.

9.5.4 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the recommendation of the Board to appoint Caroline Brennan as an Independent Director was unanimously approved members. The formal appointment would be filed with Companies House as part of the filings of the AGM filings

9.6 Incorporation Parkour Ireland

9.6.1 Following approval of the proposed Mem & Arts to incorporate Parkour Ireland at our May Board meeting, this was then taken to membership of Parkour UK for approval at the 2017 AGM

9.6.2 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the proposal for Parkour UK to formally incorporate Parkour Ireland, in full liaison with the Parkour/Freerunning community in Ireland was unanimously approved by membership

9.7 International Federation – Parkour Earth

9.7.1 The CEO provided an overview of the proposed Mem & Arts of Parkour Earth outlining that these have been based on Parkour UK / Parkour Ireland's Mem & Arts which fully include the requirements and principles of the UK Code for Sports Governance.

9.7.2 The CEO advised that the accord by the founding member National Federations was reached on the 4th July 2017. The accord to federate will now be put forward to their Boards, members and/or communities for approval – as we are doing with the members of Parkour UK at this evenings AGM.

9.7.3 The CEO outlined that Parkour Earth will be established on two fundamental principles;

- National Federations federating – to comprise of national Parkour/Freerunning/ Art Du Deplacement communities, as represented by their National Federations and/or organisations governing and/or administering the development of the sport, art and/or discipline nationally, as well as embracing and supporting those communities trying to form a National Federation in territory where there is no National Federation and/or organisation.
- Established on the recognised principles of 'Good Governance' – this starts with the Memorandum & Articles of Association defining and creating a clear, practical and proportionate system which sets out what the International Federation can do, who the members are and can be, how decisions are made and who is responsible for making it happen. By implementing Good Governance practices, Parkour Earth will ensure that it is being managed effectively, in a way that helps it to achieve its objects, values and principles whilst also safeguarding the integrity of the Federation and the best interests of all its members and the international community.

- 9.7.4 The CEO outlined that it has been proposed that the first AGM (Congress) will be held within 210 days of incorporation, therefore in early 2018. At the AGM the members/community will be asked to nominate, elect and/or appoint the Board of Directors (by electing and/or appointing up to 6 additional directors). The full Board will then comprise a maximum of 12 members - 4 Independent directors and 8 Elected directors - at least one of whom must be an Athletes representative.
- 9.7.5 Additionally, as part of the founding fundamental principle of Good Governance, there are additional requirements surrounding the composition of the Board, as set out in the Memorandum & Articles of Association. These include requirements such as; the number of Independent Directors shall not be greater than the number of Elected Directors appointed at any one time. A member National Federation may only be represented on the Board by one director at any time. Parkour Earth will encourage gender parity and ethnic diversity and will be committed to ensuring that the Board, as far as is reasonably practicable, shall aim to have not less than thirty percent representation of each gender and individuals from different ethnic backgrounds. Additionally, terms of office are limited to a maximum of two four year terms.
- 9.7.6 Parkour Earth's primary objects, values and principles are set out in the Memorandum & Articles of Association and it will also do all within its power, as shall be thought fit to further the interests of the Federation, its members and or the international community to the attainment of all or any of the objects, values and principles.

The Objects include:

- To be the custodians of the philosophy, integrity and sovereignty of the Sport internationally for and on behalf of the international community.
- To protect the rights, freedoms and promote the interests of Traceurs/Traceuses, Freerunners, practitioners, members & the international community.
- To be the sole governing and administering body for the sport internationally.
- To comprise of national federations and/or organisations governing and/or administering the sport at national level.
- To encourage, support and promote national federations in individual countries, nations or territories not yet members of the Federation, where the sport is not yet nationally recognised to increase membership internationally and to encourage, support and promote the formation of national federations in individual countries, nations or territories where the Sport is not yet nationally organised.

The Values include:

- To ensure that the practice of the Sport in all its branches is a human right such that every human can have the possibility of freely practicing the Sport, without discrimination of any kind, within the spirit of friendship, solidarity, equality and fair play regardless of age, ethnicity, gender, physical and mental ability, sexual

orientation, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status.

- Where relevant, to develop the Sport beyond the sporting context including the promotion of sport for social change, sport for development and the arts.
- To be responsible for the development of non-competitive and/or competitive programmes at international level and where relevant to co-ordinate events nationally and/or internationally.

The Principles include:

- Good Governance - to encourage and support the promotion of and ensuring that principles of good governance be applied within and throughout the Sport.
- Autonomy - The autonomy of international sport is recognised as a fundamental principle and the Federation will take all appropriate measures to promote, preserve and protect the autonomy of the Sport internationally and The Federation shall provide Members complete autonomy in their own territory. It will have no part nor interfere in purely national issues unless such issues affect or undermine the objects, values and principles the international image and/or the international status of the Sport and/or the Federation in any way.
- Parkour Earth as the International Federation for our sport has chosen to utilise the globally recognised term 'Parkour' within the name of the Federation to fully represent the sport, art and/or discipline of Parkour/Freerunning/Art Du Deplacement. However, it is recognised that there are sensitivities and nuances in language throughout the international community on the various names/terminologies utilised.

9.7.7 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the membership unanimously agreed that the form, content and wording of the draft Memorandum and Articles of Association of Parkour Earth are approved.

9.7.8 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that Parkour UK should be named and included in the list of six Founding Members, as a Full Member of Parkour Earth.

9.7.9 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that Parkour UK accepts and acknowledges to bear one sixth of the cost of incorporation & expenses of Parkour Earth. Initially, Parkour UK would provide the cash flow for this to happen and invoice the other five National Federations for one fifth of the costs and expenses.

9.8 Any matter, motion or proposal from the voting members

9.8.1 The CEO confirm that no matter, motion or proposal has been received from the voting members

10 Any other business (AOB)

10.1 Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique (FIG)

- 10.1.1 The CEO provided an updated on the correspondence to FIG relating to the encroachment & misappropriation of Parkour/Freerunning by FIG
- 10.1.2 The CEO provided detail relating to our various open letters & correspondence to FIG. Detailing that Parkour UK and by legitimate extension the international Parkour community, have continually requested a meeting with the FIG, at the earliest convenience (as previously requested on several occasions) ensuring that the meeting is prefaced with an agreed and binding arbitration agreement referring any dispute to the jurisdiction of the Court of arbitration for Sport in Lausanne, Switzerland. Any dispute arising from and/or related to the binding arbitration agreement will be submitted exclusively to the Court of Arbitration for Sport in Lausanne, Switzerland, and resolved definitively in accordance with the code of sports related arbitration. The meeting will be to formalise the clarification and understanding via of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to formally acknowledge the recognised sovereignty of Parkour/Freerunning.
- 10.1.3 If an MoU is not established within the previously advised 60 days (by 26th July 2017) or within such other period that could be mutually agreed in writing, we will take all necessary and appropriate steps (this includes many things, including but not limited to CAS) to protect the integrity and sovereignty of the sport of Parkour/Freerunning, our sport, our community.
- 10.1.4 The CEO detailed that the correspondence has and continues to be wilfully ignored by FIG. Additionally, how fluid and dynamic situation with FIG is and continues to be on a daily basis.
- 10.1.5 The CEO advised; that a letter from UK Sport confirming they recognise the sport of Parkour/Freerunning & Parkour UK as the NGB has been received. Subsequently this has opened up significant and fundamental flaws in the UK Recognition process, which the CEO has raised with the DCMS, the UK Sports Councils & the Sport + Recreation Alliance.
- 10.1.6 The CEO advised that we would issue further letters and/or correspondence of response to FIG as and where required/appropriate. The following correspondence had been issued;
- [Parkour UK issues further letter to Fédération Internationale de Gymnastique \(FIG\) re: The encroachment and misappropriation of Parkour/Freerunning](#)
 - [Parkour UK issues further correspondence following FIG response](#)
 - [Parkour UK makes representations to the IOC](#)
- 10.1.7 The Mem & Arts for 'Parkour Earth' were drafted and will be circulated to the Board, following review, input and amendments via online meeting(s) with the founding member National Federations.

10.1.8 Letters confirming the accord to federate and establish Parkour Earth as the International Federation for our sport internationally

10.1.9 As a result of a clear and demonstrable common unity and purpose within the international community, a number of National Federations reached an accord on the 4th July 2017 to establish Parkour Earth as the International Federation for Parkour/Freerunning/Art Du Déplacement - our sport, our community, our culture, our identity.

10.1.10 The six founding National Federations are to be Parkour UK (GBR), Fédération de Parkour (FRA), New Zealand Parkour - Tauhōkai Aotearoa (NZL), Australian Parkour Association (AUS), Parkour South Africa (RSA) & Polska Federacja Parkour i Freerun (POL).

10.1.11 The accord was reached on the 4th July by the founding member National Federations. The accord to federate will now be put forward to their Boards, members and/or communities for approval – as we done with the members of Parkour UK at this evenings 2017 AGM.

10.2 **British Gymnastics – FreeG**

10.2.1 The CEO advised that, as we have now received recognition (& British Gymnastics have received their funding decision from Sport England for 2017-2021), the issues/concerns with the encroachment by British Gymnastics with 'FreeG/Freestyle Gymnastics' should now be revisited, particularly in light of the encroachment and misappropriation of Parkour/Freerunning by the FIG, as there is and will be continued and significant encroachment by British Gymnastics which is a sustained significant concern for our members / the community.

10.2.2 The CEO advised that appended to the Recognition letter was a 'summary of what recognition means and the associated benefits to sports and National Governing Bodies. Two points within that letter state:

- Achieve consistency with other governing bodies
- Benefit from association with the relevant sports councils and other recognised sport

10.2.3 Based on the contents of the letter, the CEO advised that he felt that we can reference this when referring to the encroachment by British Gymnastics.

10.2.4 The CEO advised that it was agreed at the October 2016 & February 2017 Board meeting, that a meeting should be requested with Sport England (as the main funder of FreeG via the WSP) & British Gymnastics to discuss the previously highlighted issues/concerns relating to the encroachment, as well as the substantiated encroachment and misappropriation of Parkour/Freerunning by FIG, and post recognition to establish the position of Parkour UK, Sport England & British Gymnastics

10.3 There being no further business, the meeting closed

10.3.1 The Chair thanked all attendees for attending the 2017 AGM and outlined that the future for Parkour/Freerunning is looking very positive now, particularly post-recognition, however there is still a significant amount of work to do. The Chair encouraged members to continue the positive work they are doing and that Parkour UK will support them as best they can with the resources available to us.

10. Date & Location of the next AGM

10.1 **IT WAS RESOLVED** that the 2018 AGM would be held in Northern Ireland and the 2019 AGM would be held in England, 2020 AGM in Scotland and 2021 AGM in Wales. Therefore, each year rotating the AGM round the Home Nations of the United Kingdom.

(meeting closed at 19:24)

SIGNED by STEPHEN MITHELL)
Independent Chair

SIGNED by BRAD WENDES)
Elected Director

SIGNED by EUGENE MINOGUE)
Chief Executive Officer

8 July 2017