

Tees Valley Target Sports Club
Minutes of Meeting – 6th January 2026

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Attendance

Richard Frankland (Chair) - RF, David Pengilley (President) – DP, Pete Costello – (Treasurer) – PC, Mick Lord (Secretary) – ML, Rocky Wright – RW, Les Cook – LC, Phil Hughes, Claire Pinegar – PC, Geoff Bell – GB, Ian Lindsay - IL, Barry King - BK, Andy Cook APC Mark Grimwood – MG, Peter Nicol PN (Note Taker)

1. Apologies

Tony Curry

2. Minutes of last meeting – 2nd December 2025

The minutes were moved as a correct record by MG and seconded by LC, the minutes were signed off as correct by RF.

3. Matters arising (Not on the agenda)

The Item number quoted relates to the minute from 2nd December.

- 1) Item 3.1 **RCO candidates** ML has been in contact with Steve Bowser (NRA) and continues to progress arrangements for the training of the four RCO candidates. **NOTED**
- 2) Item 3.4 **Archery cabinets** – PC has not sourced any cabinets as yet. **ACTION** - PC to continue the search.
- 3) Item 3.5 **Training rifles** – APC had purchased a Ruger from DP. It will need a rail and mounts that are specialist items. The rifle is usable as is. APC needs to review BK's Lee Enfield. **ACTIONS-** APC to acquire mounts and rail and check out BK's Lee Enfield.
- 4) Item 3.6 **2026 Membership cards** - LC has spoken to Simon Hatfield who has assured told LC that he will print the 2026 membership cards as previously promised. **ACTION** LC to continue to monitor and pursue.
- 5) Item 5.5 **Insurance policy papers** – **ACTION** - ML to involve PC to secure insurance policy papers for Lawson Way.

- 6) Item 10.2 – **Archery GB** the minutes of 02/12/25 need to clarify that Nigel Case had introduced the possibility of Archery GB to TVTSC and Lawson Way as a training venue. **ACTION** – PC had raised the matter, PC to liaise with ML to resolve.
- 7) Item 10.3 **BASC Air Rifle training** – RW has not had a chance to investigate. **ACTION** – RW to investigate BASC offer of air rifle training and report back.
- 8) Item 10.4 – **RangeMate** – APC / PC reported that 45-50% of members had registered on RangeMate. A problem was identified with the template for when Lawson Way is closed. **ACTION** – APC/PC to arrange amendment of the template.

4 The Chair's Report

- 4.1 RJF suggested that as we are a Community Amateur Sports Club that there should be an annual award for meritorious work by a member of the community as well as a club member which should be styled 'The Chair's Annual Award' recognising outstanding assistance in meeting the Club's objectives. RJF reminded the committee of the architectural/planning work that Alan Dixon (a non-member) had undertaken for the Club with regards to the extension proposal at Lawson Way and more recently at Faceby.
- 4.2 RJF suggested that Alan be this year's recipient of the Chair's Award and be granted a £50 Go Outdoors voucher in recognition of all the work he had done on a pro-bono basis on these two projects. **AGREED** – It was unanimously agreed that Alan Dixon receive this year's Chair's Award.
- 4.3 RJF asked who on the committee would be standing down after the AGM. PH, GB and IL will not be seeking re-election. **NOTED** -see Item 10.3.
- 4.4 In conclusion RJF thanked all past and present committee members that he had worked with as a committee member over the last 20 + years. The members present showed their appreciation in the usual way.

5. Secretary's report

- 5.1 On behalf of all the Club members, ML thanked RJF for his service to the Club.

- 5.2** ML reported a list of renewed affiliations to other organisations including the NRA, NRSA, BFSS, NTSA and MLAGB. The renewal of BFSS affiliation was queried. The Fee is £5 per annum.
AGREED – the affiliation be cancelled by PC at the next available opportunity.
- 5.3** ML has completed the necessary documentation for Landmarc for 2026. **NOTED**
- 5.4** ML has confirmed the booking of North Ormesby WMC for the AGM on 5 February starting at 7:00 pm. The relevant notices have been posted at Lawson Way and on the Club’s web site. **NOTED**
- 5.5** ML ran through a list of awards, medals and prizes for various competitions held during 2025. All present contributed to ensure the list was correct. It was noted that the Roy Jolly award is only for **new** members. All present to nominate Club members for the award of an NRA medal, nominations to ML for him to pass on to DP. **ACTION** ML to prepare a list of awards for DP in his capacity as Club President to use at the AGM, DP to present the awards.
- 5.6** ML read out a letter of complaint from Colin Speechley regarding the past use of an archery moving target. It was pointed out by the Chair that the Club’s Complaints Procedure should be followed and further that as the notice of the AGM had already been posted it was not possible to add this to the agenda. In any event the AGM was not a suitable occasion for considering complaints.
AGREED – In accordance with the Club Complaints Procedure the Treasurer would chair the first informal hearing to hear Colin’s complaint and DP’s response, give a ruling and report back on any conclusions reached. The Complaints procedure had further stages if either party was unhappy with the decision

6. Membership Secretary’s Report

- 6.1** BK reported that there were two applications for membership, but unfortunately, he had not brought the applications with him for circulation in the usual way. **AGREED** - ML, DP and PC to convene a small sub-group to consider the two applications and decide if they are suitable for acceptance as members. Details to be reported for minuting at the next committee meeting.

7. Treasurer's Report

7.1 PC produced documentary evidence in the form of the Club's bank statements for the following standing of the Club's accounts:

Current account	£3,378.22
General Reserve	£12,044.75
Land & Buildings	£50,469.21
Subscription Holding	£11,136.63
Tags	(£1,000.00) Refundable
TOTAL	£ 77,028.81 (Excluding tags)

The figures include £191.58 of interest.

7.2 Major Items of Expenditure

NSRA affiliation renewal	£602.00
Rent	£562.44
Toner & Ink	£238.60
Electricity	£236.68
Rates	£94.00
Lanyards	£75.89
Water Rates	£35.00
Targets	£75.75
NTSA	£50.00
Internet	£22.57
Cleaning materials	£27.35

8. Building & Estates

8.1 Apology received from TC so no report available. **NOTED**

9. FBR

9.1 APC had nothing to report. See Item 3.3 – Training Rifles.

10. A.O.B.

10.1 MG reported that two shooters at the last FBR shoot had arrived rifles that proved to be inoperative. One shooter had bought a new rifle that did not have the correct bolt. The other shooter had acquired a different stock that when he had fitted it, prevented the action from chambering a round. MG emphasised that there was nothing unsafe resulting from these problems but that they were a distraction from his RCO duties. **ACTION** – APC to identify the shooter with the defective stock and establish what action he has taken since the problem arose.

10.2 RJF thanked MG for bringing the matter to the committee's attention. The way that the issues were handled showed that the Club's safety rules had been complied with and that the systems in place would ensure that the two shooters in question and their equipment would be monitored until the rifles were fit for purpose.

10.3 GB will continue to run the Practical Shotgun shoots and will still come down to Lawson Way on Thursday evenings. PH will continue to help with competitions. The Chair remarked that opening up Lawson Way continues to be a barrier for suitable club members to volunteer for committee service. The new committee should consider how a pool of trusted members could be created to take possession of keys and open upon an occasional basis. In that regard APC has arranged for Paul Coles to be RCO on Tuesday evenings for 'A' Range. **NOTED.**
ACTION – APC to establish if Paul Coles is willing to open up when he is RCO and the new committee to consider creating a pool of trustee key holders.

10.4 GB will continue to keep attendance records for Moorsholm until RangeMate takes over. **NOTED**

10.5 PC has been confirmed as the Club's Registered Firearms Dealer (RFD). To be able to store and sell Pyrodex and Black Powder he needs apply for the appropriate licence on behalf of the Club. He will also need a separate licence in his capacity of Club RFD. The rules regarding the storage of Black Powder and Pyrodex require purpose built wooden storage boxes. MG and LC offered PC spare boxes that they owned – both made by Barry Grimwood. **NOTED**

10.6. PC had been contacted by Eric Harrison regarding a Cup he had donated as an award. The Cup is missing a lid that had three rifles as decoration. It is thought one committee member may have the missing item. Eric is upset that the Cup is not complete. The Chair pointed out that the cup in the cabinet is not the cup in question which was won by member Tony Curry last year and currently resides on his mantelpiece. The Chair had won it the previous year. **ACTION** – Member Eric Harrison to be advised of the actual correct position of the cup.

Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 10th February 2026, the first Tuesday after the AGM