

**Stragglers Annual General Meeting**  
**26 September 2024**  
**Proposal to increase Membership Subscriptions from £23 to £25**

Background

In 2021 when the AGM agreed for the club to adopt Bushy Parks Sports Club as its headquarters, the plan was for the annual subscription to rise from £20 to £25 in 2023, as a partial contribution to the club's BPSC fee.

However in 2022 it was proposed to, and agreed by, the AGM that, given the cost of living pressures on members, the increase should be limited to £23.

Proposal

Two years on, it is now proposed that the subscription should rise to the originally intended amount of £25 from April 2025. While the club's financial forecasts for the coming year are based on a planned drawdown from reserves, they indicate that, without the increase, there would be a sizeable deficit and a need to cut back on some of the activities the club now delivers.

Comparative information from other clubs indicates that, at £25, the Stragglers' annual subscription would still represent good value for money:

**2024-25 Membership Subs**

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| 26.2                   | £15 (£77 extra for changing, showering & bar facilities) |
| Chessington Unity      | £5   |
| Ranelagh Harriers      | £75 (£20 under 30)                                       |
| Elmbridge Road Runners | £40  |
| Shaef Shifters         | £10  |
| Epsom & Ewell Harriers | £57  |
| Tadworth AC            | £25  |
| Thames Hare & Hounds   | £25  |
| Wimbledon Windmilers   | £27  |
| West4 Harriers         | £35  |

The AGM is asked to agree to an increase in the annual membership subscription from £23 to £25, with effect from April 1<sup>st</sup> 2025.