



OLD TAUNTONIAN ASSOCIATION

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Dear Old Tauntonian

Special measures

I do hope that you and your families are safe and well and coping at this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers go out to OTs who have lost loved ones as a result of the Covid-19 virus or in other circumstances, as isolation from friends and family at this time is particularly hard.

Difficult times require special measures and, as previously indicated on our website, all our formal and informal gatherings of OTs are suspended until further notice.

With current governmental restrictions concerning health and movement to protect us all, it is not possible to hold further committee meetings nor the AGM within the time frame required by our Constitution.

As your President, I am proposing that such meetings be postponed to the later date of **Friday 20th November 2020** in the best interests of all.

There are only three important outstanding matters to highlight at this time.

1. At its meeting in November, the committee approved updates to our Constitution, recognising the ever-changing nature of the way in which we communicate. These will be on the Agenda of the AGM.
2. There is ongoing dialogue between the Association and the School with regard to the format of future communications with the membership and I am pleased to inform you that an agreement with the Foundation Director, Nadine Latte, is now in place which means the *OT Review* will be written and funded by the School, with strategically focussed articles collated with my continued support. It will appear as a section within the wider *TS Community Report* with much the same content as has been the case in recent years. Publication date will very much depend on where we are in September, taking into account any budgetary constraints.
3. As Association Secretary I am continuing dialogue with the School where possible whilst recognising the enormous task they face in delivering teaching and learning by remote communication.

I will be reporting back to the committee in due course. In the meantime, stay home and stay safe.

With all good wishes

OTA President

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