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Dear Colleagues

**AAAoE AGM on 18 March 2006**

You will have received your notice of this meeting together with agenda and voting papers. Clubs are asked to vote on the appointment of Chairman, Treasurer and Chair of the English CC Association. George Bunner, David Jessop and John Temperton are the candidates being put forward by the AAAoE and I am writing to ask you to support them.

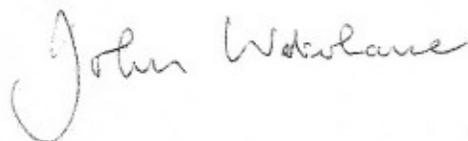
As you will be aware the new England Athletics comes into being from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2006 and the management committee of the AAAoE have been in productive discussions to facilitate this transfer. There are some – mainly in the South - who continue to oppose this move to modernize our sport and they have put up candidates against those proposed by the AAAoE in a final attempt to derail the modernization process.

In our region of Yorkshire and Humber we will have our Interim Regional Council up and running by the end of March. Sport England have just approved a three year funding package for England Athletics and we shall get our share in this region to spend on the development of athletes, clubs, coaches and officials. By voting for the AAAoE candidates named above you will be adding your support to this process which can only benefit grass-roots sport in our region.

Opponents to modernization are also proposing a change to the AAAoE constitution and please do not support that proposal. You can use your proxy form to cast your vote. Please name Barry Parker, Hon Sec NoEAA, as your proxy and return the form, duly signed by your club secretary, to AAAoE, Edgbaston House, 3 Duchess Place, Hagley Road, Birmingham B16 8NH to arrive not later than Thursday 16 March.

If you have any queries on this letter please contact me by phone or e-mail. I will be in contact again shortly to let you know who will be serving on our Interim Regional Council and how your club can relate to it. All clubs will then be asked to vote in a permanent Regional Council in the summer.

Yours sincerely



John Waterhouse, Interim Chair, Yorkshire and Humber Region, England Athletics