## Athletics Clubs' Committee Contingency Claim – Riding and Polo A Paper by Rachel Gregory – Riding and Polo Club Chair

## *Summary*

ICURPC were prevented from attending polo lessons due to the minibus being caught in traffic due to a lorry overturning on the A40. As a result the club incurred unexpected costs of £208 due to having to pay for half the lessons to cover the supplier's costs, and we are asking for this amount.

## Background

On Tuesday 26th November the club was heading to Tuesday night training at Greenpoint Polo, High Wycombe. The minibus left college at the normal time (5 pm for lessons to start at 6.30 pm), but on route they were caught in stand still traffic due to a lorry overturning on the A40. The journey normally takes 1 hour – 1hour 15 minutes, but when the lessons were due to start the minibus was still stuck, not moving and as a result the lessons had to be cancelled. The predicted arrival time was well after 9pm which is when the floodlights to the arena are turned off (in order to comply with planning permission we believe). There was 1 hour of lessons planned with two groups of four lessons running concurrently. To minimise our costs the suppliers agreed to charge us for half the lessons to cover their costs of the two instructors required and grooms. Normally the club subsidises each lesson for a full member by £10, and the minibus is paid entirely by player contributions.

Of the eight players, 5 were full members receiving £10 subsidy for the lesson, so the session would have cost the club £50.

The four lessons charged for cost £52 each and the minibus cost £50.00, giving a total expenditure to the club of £258.

We are asking for contingency for the difference of the expected and incurred losses, i.e. £258 - £50 = £208.

## Matters for Decision

Approve contingency claim for £208 to Riding and Polo for lesson and travel expensive of £208.