Manifesto for role as Hon Secretary – Graham Crozier

I am Graham Crozier, Gosforth RFC and NRURS member.

Over the years I have held many positions within Northumberland Rugby Union. I was Chair of Youth Rugby for 5 years, handing over to Lee Weatherley. I was County U15's Lead Coach and latterly, County U16's Lead Coach, coaching these teams for 15 years in total. I have held positions on the RDP committee, and I am currently going into my 3rd year as a County Vice President.

I am an active member of the NRURS where my responsibilities have been the Referees Representative on the Societies Exec, and I currently have responsibilities for the organisation of the Referees Dinner, Sponsorship, Kit, and the Spanish Exchange. I am a L6 referee and turn out multiple times per weekend.

Within my Club, Gosforth RFC, I have held many positions again from player, Chair of Youth, Youth Coach for 12 years, Director of Rugby etc.

Away from Rugby, I am the Technical and Managing Director of my own very successful business, Advanced Adhesives Limited, a company I run which was established some 26+ years ago, manufacturing and supplying specialist adhesives into the industrial sectors. Managing staff and running a business in the heavily regulated chemical sector, working with customers from Global entities to small owner operated gives me a vast knowledge and experience, together with the understanding of Company Law. Having a number of employees I also have empathy in working with others to get the best out of their efforts and ensuring they achieve their goals, traits I will be fully looking to bring to this role.

With my experience, knowledge, position, and reputation within the County, I feel I can aid the new proposed Board on the plans and actions required and assist in galvanising the Clubs, the NRURS, Schools etc, and people within them, and steer the County and stakeholders within onto a course of even greater success. I work well with people and am approachable. Having known and worked with Claire for a number of years I already have a good working relationship with her and aim to continue to have the County Office as the central hub for all things rugby. I strongly feel this is a role I can develop into a position of great asset to the County and the new Board.