RFU Council Representative Report

Date: 1st December 2025
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Matters since last report:

- **Autumn Internationals** – England won four out of four and have now won 11 of their last 12 matches. Good to see the senior men's team back to winning and a pleasure to host all the visiting nations and the World Rugby Chair, Dr Brett Robinson.
- **Hosting Value the Volunteer** – had the absolute delight of hosting the winner, Brian Callender and his guest Ian Firth, at the New Zealand game. It was an honour to be able to recognise everything Brian has done and continues to do for the Referees Society. The President, Craig Wrightston was also invited to the lunch as guest of the RFU.
- **RFU Council Meeting – 25th November 2025**
  Post Meeting Briefing to follow
- **Northumberland Club Visits since last report:**
  - Northern
  - North Shields – cancelled for personal reasons.
- **Ongoing RFU workstreams:**
  - RFU NGB Governance and Representation Review
  - Nominations Standing Committee
- **World Rugby:**
  - Next meeting May 2026

Coming up (up to 31 December 2025):

1. **Nominations Process Meeting** – 27th November 2025
2. **Women's only ERCA day at Novo's** – attending on 29th November with 57 women signed up
3. **Northumberland Club Visits with President**
   Morpeth, Wallsend, Alnwick & Berwick
4. **Governance and Representation Review**
   Stage 2 of the Review meetings scheduled for 2nd, 9th and 16th December 2025
5. **Nominations Committee** – 12th December 2025
6. **Inclusion Framework Feedback Session** – 15th December 2025
7. **RFU Council Informal Meeting** – 16th December 2025