



Yorkshire Cricket Southern Premier League

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Senior Section committee

**22nd Meeting – Thursday 19 January 2023 – 7.00pm
Blackburn & Wincobank Conservative Club**

Notes of Meeting

Present: David Ward (chair), Melvyn Bond, Bryan Lowe, Richard North, Lindsay Pepper, Linzey Scothern, Graham Swallow (secretary), Nelson Windle

Apologies: Richard Fidler, Matt Summerhill

1. Safeguarding

- LP reported that a Safeguarding course was held on 17 January, and that a further one would be arranged before the start of the season. LP voiced concerns about one club who were looking to use a 19-year-old as their Safeguarding officer.
- DW said that there was no update regarding the Conisbrough/Nawaz ECB investigation.
- Several members had received correspondence re DBS renewals. LP said that although they had to be renewed every three years, they now had to be updated every twelve months.

2. **E&DG.** NW confirmed that the next meeting was due to be held on Monday 23 January.

3. Fixtures update

- MS reported that 36 fixtures were still to be arranged/re-arranged.
- DW said that Harley had now merged with Scholes; the club will be known as Scholes & Harley and will play their home games at Scholes.
- An application was received from Hallam 4th XI to join the YCSPL in 2024 and play at Sandygate. This was agreed.

4. New Umpires

- BL said that no 'new' umpires were currently being trained. A stage 2 course was being held this coming week.
- DW reported a recommendation from the ECB that future training should be moved from October/November to March/April.
- Members congratulated Simon Widdup on his recent appointment to the panel of first-class umpires.

5. **Ball Order.** MB said that information would be sent to Clubs in the next day or two. Balls will be ordered for Juniors/Girls/Women and for the various Finals.
6. **Play-Cricket update**
- MB reported 2,700+ current registrations including 59 transfers
 - Administration rights had been arranged for Mel Mahmood
 - MB asked members to consider the possibility of players providing photo ID on Play-Cricket and suggested the three options for consideration:
 - 1) senior players and over-16s
 - 2) Senior players and over-18s *or*
 - 3) all senior and junior players
7. **Development Fund – requests from Kexborough & Whiston Forge**
- DW reported that WF were to spend £700 on improvements to their sightscreens, no costs for toilet refurbishment received from Kexborough. DW to seek these details, therefore no decision taken.
 - DW said that there was £6k in the development fund.
 - MS had emailed various suggestions regarding the distribution of monies which members considered. It was agreed that projects should be completed before any contribution is made, and that each project should be considered independently.
8. **Other business**
- DW confirmed that he was looking to order polo shirts for members of the Board, committees and the disciplinary panel.
 - He said that in the future the ECB captain's reports would be standard throughout all Leagues, and there would be no change to the umpires' feedback form.
 - DW also said that Premier League umpire's fees would be paid via WTU.
 - BL questioned colour clothing and in particular boots. DW suggested that umpires should not involve themselves.
 - GS asked if girls/women's cricket was to be managed by the YCSPL. DW confirmed this was the case after a meeting with DW, Mel Mahmood and Dean Smith, and said that MM would act as the League's representative. He also said that no additional work would be levied on any member.
 - LS reported that our contact at the OEC, Sheffield was due to leave, and that LS/GS would meet the 'new' person in due course.

The meeting closed at 8.23pm