



Yorkshire Cricket Southern Premier League

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Senior Section committee

**23rd Meeting – Thursday 16 February 2023 – 7pm
Blackburn & Wincobank Conservative Club**

Notes of Meeting

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

1. **Safeguarding**

- LP reported that Ray Knowles was now taking a step back from delivering Safe Hands training and that Richard Wilkinson would take the course to be held in March at Elsecar. Of 28 places available, 15 have already been taken.
- A first aid course was being looked at, with Houghton Main, Wath and Whiston Forge interested in hosting.
- LP was concerned that Dearne CC do not have a Safeguarding officer.
- Recent changes to the DBS system are now being implemented.

2. **E D & I** – NW confirmed that no meeting had taken place and there was nothing to report.

3. **Outstanding Fixtures** – MS reported that over 20 fixtures were still to be arranged/re-arranged and that many clubs were unwilling to play on Sunday due to other commitments. MS was not sure how these would be resolved.

4. **Ball Orders** – DW said that both ball orders had been sent to Tiflex and Readers. He reported that we would be trialing a Dukes ball and an upgraded Reader ball in the Premier Section during the season.

5. **Play-Cricket**

- MB said that Play-Cricket had confirmed there would not be many changes to the system in the near future. He reported 73 player transfers to date.
- He queried the procedure with overseas registrations – DW said that Chris Froggett would sort.
- DW reported that the LEB had decided not to pursue the photo ID for this season but said that it could be done voluntarily. MB said that this would be a benefit to him when trying to match player registrations on P-C.
- MB said that the W&G section had its own website.

6. **Women & Girls** – DW said that, in conjunction with Dean Smith, Mel Mahmood had done a lot of work since her appointment.

7. **South Kirkby application**
 - South Kirkby have applied to bring one team to the YCSPL in 2024. They have asked for permission from the Pontefract League.
 - DW reported that outside the Pyramid agreement clubs must bring all their teams and that any club applying to join after 31 March will not be eligible to play in the YCSPL the following season.
8. **Brodsworth application** – the application has been received and the ground is to be inspected in due course.
9. **Hybrid pitches at Ackworth** - DW reported that Ackworth have installed three hybrid pitches and have invited League officials and clubs to inspect them.
10. **Hallam Indoor League disciplinary** – DW will write to Fraser Johnson to ask when the disciplinary hearing will take place. One player was charged with two Level 2 offences and one with a Level 4 offence. DW was keen for this to be resolved prior to the start of the season.
11. **Pyramid Agreement** – DW/RP/MS had recently met officials of the Pontefract League to review the Memorandum of Understanding. We have commented on the P&DCL's proposed amendment to the revised MoU, and are currently waiting for them to come back to us.
12. **Other business**
 - Three requests have been received for funding from the Development Fund. As Green Moor were a Premier Section club in 2022 they did not qualify for any assistance in 2023; Kexborough had not followed up their initial enquiry; members recommended that the Whiston Forge application for £660 for timber to renovate their sightscreens should be granted. LEB to be asked to approve.
 - GS reported that 20 clubs, including four Premier Section clubs, had still not completed and returned their club contact form for 2023. He also mentioned that the LEB had decided that junior and women's & girls' sections contact details should be included in the handbook and on the website. GS to request details.
 - LS/LP had recently visited the OEC to agree the arrangements for the 2023 Presentation Evening. LS confirmed that the deposit had been paid and menu options have been provided.
 - LS confirmed that he has ordered the team cards for the 2023 season.
 - GS has received an email from the ECB's Aaron Campbell regarding our participation in the Vitality Club T20 Plate in 2023. This is agreed.
 - DW reported that Wakefield Thornes had paid a fee of 50% as agreed by the LEB for non-provision of an Umpire in 2022.
13. Meeting closed at 8.20pm