



# Yorkshire Cricket Southern Premier League

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## Senior Section committee

**36<sup>th</sup> Meeting – Thursday 22 August 2024 – 7.00pm**

**Blackburn & Wincobank Conservative Club**

## Notes of Meeting

Present: David Ward (Chair), Melvyn Bond, Nelson Windle, Richard North, Lindsay Pepper, Linzey Scothern, Bryan Lowe, Richard Fidler

Apologies: Matt Summerhill, Graham Swallow

1. Equity & Diversity – NW informed the meeting that the group chair had been on holiday, so no meetings had taken place. DW added that the LEB has agreed to put the group's plan forward to the YCB to get their feedback.
2. Safeguarding – LP reported that numerous issues have occurred since the last meeting of which two have been resolved. LP informed the meeting that a player has been banned for flashing to a live stream camera during a game. There is a safeguarding investigation happening with one of our clubs for which a player is serving a ban until the investigation is concluded. LP added that one of our club's may need support in future as a senior member has been incarcerated.
3. Norton Woodseats / Wombwell hearing – DW reported that this hearing was held two weeks ago, it was found that the Norton Woodseats captain hadn't brought the game into disrepute, and that Wombwell had failed to control their crowd. The outcome is the result of the fixture would be 6 points each and Wombwell 12 points suspended for crowd behaviour to the end of the 2025 season. The date of 15<sup>th</sup> September has been set for the return fixture.
4. Warmsworth 2 complaint v Hatfield Town – Warmsworth have decided not to appeal the decision made by the committee regards their complaint about Hatfield Town's team selection.
5. Umpires report – BL informed the meeting that two new umpires are joining for next year, one of them from the Aire & Wharfdale league. DW added that Waverley and Wadworth have both provided the names of the two umpires that each club will be adding into the league pool (four in total). A number of umpires have indicated they will be returning for 2025.
6. Captains' late reports – DW confirmed that a number of teams have been deducted points for not completing the necessary Captain's reports. One club has said that they will appeal, DW stated that they don't have grounds for an appeal.
7. Waverley Ground Inspection – This is still to be done, it was agreed between DW & LS to aim to visit Waverley CC the second week in September.

8. Houghton Main – DW and Roger Pugh have a meeting with representatives from the club on 9 September 2024.
9. Play-Cricket – MB reported that Caribbean v Kexborough had been decided using the countback system when the game wasn't rain effected. After much debate it was agreed to give both clubs the option to replay the game or the game will go down as abandoned with bonus points accrued (CCC 10 pts, KCC 8pts)  
  
MB also reported that the situation was getting worse again regards clubs not completing their scorecard responsibilities until after multiple warnings. DW asked him to send a list of the clubs not complying.
10. Darfield 2 v Fishlake postponement – DW reported that he had given permission for the fixture between Darfield 2 & Fishlake to be postponed after the death of Ray Bee. DW to write to both clubs to find out the new date for the fixture.
11. Other business
  - DW informed the meeting that a meeting has been held with Readers and as a result from 2025 clubs will order and pay for their balls direct from Readers. Delivery will still be to the league representative for the ball drops. The league will receive a percentage of sales from equipment such as scorebooks, stumps etc.
  - DW reported two level three warnings were issued to a club captain last weekend (17 August), he is now serving a ban waiting for a hearing to take place.
  - LS reported that an umpire had reported Rotherham Town for the poor condition of their pitch, DW to write to RTCC to ask for an explanation.
  - LP stated that she had received a worrying phone call from a chairman of a club in our league threatening violence against her son.

Meeting Closed 8:45pm