



Yorkshire Cricket Southern Premier League

YCSPL SENIOR SECTION MEETING

37th Meeting – Thursday 12th September 2024 at 7pm

Blackburn & Wincobank Conservative Club

Notes of Meeting

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

Apologies: Graham Swallow, Richard Fidler, Matt Summerhill, Jonathan Crabtree

1. **ED&I** – NW informed the meeting that the group had become stagnant with an influx of new members required. It is hoped that an administrator can be appointed during the close season with Jason Booth looking at potential candidates. Ideas for the future and to be discussed at future ED&I meetings include:
 - Cricket's CEC report
 - Club's EAD officer Role
 - Areas across the league where EAD can support best
 - Equity & Diversity name, does it require a new name in the reset?
2. **Safeguarding** – LP reported that dates for club welfare officers are close to being finalised including late 2024. LP has been given an award by the YCB for all her hard work and the committee congratulated on her much-deserved recognition.
3. **Umpires Report** – BL reported that refresher courses are required for umpires on DLS, it was suggested that this training could also include clarification on the countback system.
4. **Waverley Ground Inspection** – DW visited the Trolley Bents Recreation Ground during a game, he reported that everything seemed to be ok with the ground with some work required on the outfield and around the artificial pitch. Waverley CC have been made aware of the work required.
5. **Houghton Main CC** – The meeting was informed that DW, LP and Gareth Davis met with representatives of the club on 09/09/24, a number of issues were discussed, assurances were given that HMCC would be entering two teams in 2025.
6. **Outstanding Fixtures** – DW reported that all remaining fixtures have now been scheduled.
7. **Cup Competitions** – It was agreed to review the amount of cup competitions and their entry criteria at a later date.
8. **New Clubs / Teams 2025** – DW reported that three new clubs would be joining us in 2025 (Waverley x 2 teams, Frickley x 2 teams, Wadworth) with University Staff also adding a second team.

9. **Development Fund Criteria** – It was agreed that the qualification criteria should be made into a league document and displayed on the league website.
10. **Discipline (Sheff Utd 2)** – DW reported that a player in the game against Higham on 17th August had been reported for threatening behaviour. A disciplinary hearing has been set for 16th October.
11. **Play-Cricket** – MB told the meeting that he'd sent an email to clubs to remind them the procedure for games using the countback system.
Teams are not adjusting the overs on Play-Cricket for games that have had overs reduced.
The PCS app had stopped working over recent weekends with the developers working on a fix which should now have sorted the issue.
From next season a spreadsheet will be produced to highlight clubs who are persistent offenders waiting for third warnings, this will be used to show clubs which need points deduction.
12. **AOB**
 - LS asked if the two umpires would be paid for the Houghton Main v Sprotbrough game that was postponed without their knowledge, DW confirmed that they would be.

Meeting Closed 8:15pm