



Yorkshire Cricket Southern Premier League

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Senior Section Cricket Committee

3rd meeting – Thursday 4th March 2021 – 7.00pm by Zoom

Note of Meeting

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

- Delegates meeting.** DW said that the meeting has been cancelled due to the ongoing COVID uncertainty. GS has emailed all clubs.
- Cricket ball order and delivery.** DW to contact *Readers* and *Oxbridge* to make arrangements for the balls to be delivered to Linzey Scothern.
- Latest Club applications for 2022.** Stocksbridge (two teams) and Sheffield University Staff (one) had completed the appropriate forms to confirm their interest. DW said that ground inspections would be carried out when the ECB regulations allow. Ackworth (two teams), Hatfield Town (two), Barnby Dun (one) were awaiting the outcome of their appeals against the Pontefract & District League.
- Start of the season.** We are still preparing for a full season, but currently waiting for further government and ECB guidance. DW confirmed that contingency plans are put in place, should the start be delayed.
- Handbook.** GS reported that he was still working with the website administrator on the compilation of the handbook. He said that the response for advertisements had not been good, with only Worsborough Bridge (two) and Ian Cotterhill willing to continue. DW had contacted *Readers* and *Rotherham Advertiser* for updated artwork. LS mentioned that a page would be required for the Annual Dinner & Presentation evening at Magna on Saturday 6th November 2021. LS to contact Magna to confirm that all arrangements are in hand. GS said that the handbook would be going for print on 1 April and would be available before the 17 April. He suggested that cricket balls, handbook & match cards be distributed to clubs at the same time, if possible.
- Umpires' report.** BL reported that a sub-committee of Paul McFarlane, Andrew Payling, Graham Hudson and himself had met last week to discuss the current position regarding new umpires for 2021. He confirmed that some were still waiting for DBS checks and ECB ACO membership to be sorted. They had another meeting planned for next week. He was hopeful that at least 18 new umpires would be available, but that two had chosen to officiate in the Pontefract & District League.
- Thornccliffe CC update.** GS had been messaged by Richard Berry who said that a new owner was now in place and that they would be able to continue to play cricket on the ground. He was hopeful that ground work would be started in the next seven days, and gave an assurance that all would be ready for the start of the season.

8. **Rockingham Colliery CC second XI overseas player.** DW had received a request for Aquib Shaikh who had played for the club in 2014 to be an overseas player for the club's second XI in 2021. As they were in division 3 it was agreed that the current league rule should be applied, and the request was refused. MB mentioned an under-16 overseas player due to play with Sheffield United. It was agreed that we should ask which team he would play for. MB asked if the current overseas player form and grounds form could be made available electronically. DW to check with the website administrator.
9. **Live Streaming.** Conisbrough CC had made a request for live streaming via LP. Agreed we wait for ECB Guidelines before replying to them.
10. **Play-Cricket.** MB said that some time ago he had requested Play-Cricket to look at putting player disciplinary bans on the website, so when they had expired they were automatically removed. They have asked him to do some testing on what they have at the moment and it is looking good.
11. **Other business**
 - DW said that next Monday Mick Bocking, Neil Vaughan and himself would be discussing the new disciplinary procedures with umpires, before sending them to each committee for review. He stated that any changes were highlighted in red, and that reference should be made to the area of a Level 1 offences & and Level 1 warnings, with points being awarded up to a maximum of 12. He pointed out that current ECB guidelines could not be changed.
 - LP reported that Maurice Gilliatt and herself were finding it increasingly apparent that some clubs were not taking their safeguarding responsibilities seriously and that the required information is not being provided. GS said that safeguarding officer details were being put on the website but not in the handbook. It was agreed that MG should ask clubs for officer details via Play-Cricket. LS pointed out that Ray Knowles is now the only person who can verify DBS documents.
 - BL stated that several ladies were currently taking umpires' courses and asked if any consideration has been made regarding facilities when males and females officiate together. DW to make enquiries of other leagues.
12. **Date of next meeting.** Thursday 1st April (7.00pm).

Meeting closed at 8.15pm