



# Yorkshire Cricket Southern Premier League

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## Senior Section Cricket Committee

6<sup>th</sup> Meeting – Thursday 20 May 2021 – 7pm by Zoom

### Notes of Meeting

*Present:* David Ward (chairman), Melvyn Bond, Bryan Lowe, Richard North, Lindsay Pepper, Lindsey Scothern, Matt Summerhill, Graham Swallow (secretary)

*Apologies:* Richard Fidler, Irfan Mirza

- 1. Ackworth CC facilities & ground inspection 17 May.** DW/BL/LS visited Ackworth and found the facilities and ground in excellent condition. They were informed that further improvements were due to be made to the pavilion area.
- 2. Hatfield Town CC facilities & ground inspection 17 May.** DW/BL/LS visited Hatfield Town and found no issues. They have received a grant for improvements to the pavilion, for which they have raised 50% themselves. GS has received the transfer form from the Pontefract League which he will sign on behalf of YCSPL and forward to the YCB.
- 3. Payment of umpire – Cawthorne v Hampole & Skelbrooke 15 May.** DW said that there had been a misunderstanding by the H&S Treasurer, which has now been resolved. Kevin Beresford has apologized on behalf of H&S and a letter has been sent to Paul McFarlane.
- 4. Complaint from Wombwell CC re game v Wickersley 3<sup>rd</sup> X1 at Aurora ground.** Wombwell complained that covers were on the pitch when they arrived at the ground but there were no sheets on the covers. DW has contacted Sheffield United who are responsible for the upkeep of the ground and they have emailed a reply which was noted but not satisfactory. There have been previous issues with sightscreens.
- 5. Rearrangement of Cup fixtures – Competitions management team 2022.** DW stated that there have been many issues recently due to the inclement weather, particularly in the Premier section, and MS suggested that we have a Competitions management team for 2022. DW said that cancelled games should be played the following week, as in the Senior section. Issues with the ECB KO, Heavy Woollen Cup and Viking Cup rearrangements were out of our jurisdiction.
- 6. Match reports by Sam Chadwick and Tom Pratt.** There were few reports due to the weather, but those that were done, looked good.
- 7. Overseas player – Warmsworth CC.** An Indian player, resident in the UK but classed as overseas, is looking for a game with Warmsworth 2nds in division 7. The club does not know his playing ability. He will not be allowed to play in the YCSPL until this is known from net practice.

8. **Play-Cricket.** MB reported that five fixtures require rearrangement in the lower leagues. He stated that there had been issues with clubs last weekend regarding cancelled and abandoned games, but that all scorecards were sorted by Tuesday. It was suggested a note of clarification be included in the weekly newsletter. MB confirmed that we now had over 3,000 registered players and 180 plus transfers, and that some changes were imminent for Junior players.
9. **Sheffield University Staff facilities & ground inspection.** DW/GS to visit on 24/5/21.
10. **Stocksbridge CC facilities & ground inspection.** DW/GS to visit on 24/5/21.
11. **De La Salle CC facilities & ground inspection.** DW/GS to visit on 2/6/21.
12. **Scholes CC rearrangement of Billy Oates Cup fixture – 23 May.** Scholes have conceded this game to Sprotborough 3<sup>rd</sup> X1.
13. **League membership 2022.** Scholes are currently in discussions regarding a possible merger for season 2022. There is also a vacancy for one team via the pyramid agreement and there may yet be further applications
14. **Divisional structure proposal 2022.** MS stated there would be major problems due to the increased number of clubs in 2022. We will have a minimum of eight 'new' teams, in addition to the current fi oversubscribed teams. He asked for any thoughts from members regarding the future structure of divisions. BL asked when Maltby and Eden Grove 2<sup>nd</sup> X1's needed to state their playing intentions for 2022. DW confirmed the deadline was 31/7/21.
15. **Other business**
  - MG/LP were having issues trying to obtain a DBS certificate from Jim Beachill at Elsecar CC. It was noted that he was President, Chairman and 1<sup>st</sup> X1 Scorer, and agreed that he would not be allowed to score any future games until this had been resolved. DW to ask MG to speak to Michelle Pedler.
  - LS confirmed that many umpires were cancelling appointments at the last minute, which was causing DW many problems.
  - LS stated that the League's trophies had recently being valued at £47,500, with the Whitworth Cup valued at £16,500 and several others over £1,000. He had identified several trophies which could be used for runners-up purposes. BL confirmed that the Premier section would prefer new trophies.
  - LS said that clubs should be reminded about notifying their opponents regarding changing facilities and teas.
  - GS showed the YCSPL tie sample to members.
16. **Date of next meeting.** Thursday 24 June – 7pm by Zoom.

Meeting closed at 8.15pm