

Cherwell Management Meeting
Thursday 22 March 2018, 19:30
Bicester North Oxford Cricket Club

Present: Brian Standish (BS), David Beck (DMB), Len Payne (LP), Gary Murton (GM), Ian Murdoch (IM), Neilson Hinks (NH), Pete Toovey (PT), David Prior (DP), Jim Howe (JH)

Apologies: David Warner (DW), Mike Dove (MD), Rosie Beck (REB) (non voting)

Minutes of last meeting: The Minutes were agreed and approved.

Matters arising:

Would be covered during the meeting via the Agenda.

Correspondence:

Leighton Buzzard Town Cricket Club- email re League support for their funding application for a new outfield mower. DMB had responded with a letter of support.

Bicester & North Oxford Cricket Club - email re potential 4th team entering the League in 2019. DMB had responded. Would be welcome in low division and below 3rd team.

Oxfordshire County Cricket Board (via GM) – re concerns over changing and toilet facilities at Lord Williams School. On-going communications between Lord Williams School and Thame Cricket Club. Agreement reached on change of kitchen and changing/toilet facilities

Long Marston Cricket Club – re registration of Paul Atkins. After communications the matter was finalized and Paul Atkins to be registered through the normal process by LMCC.

ECB – re update on Play-Cricket Scoring system. Noted. It was confirmed that the current system used by CCL is compliant to the new GDPR regulations.

Buckingham Town Cricket Club – re email requesting change of ground for 3rd team fixture on 11th August. 'New' ground needs approval of the League and agreement of the opposition. **DMB** to inform.

East Oxford:

The League letters on the Appeal decision and the alleged placing of adverts had been sent and receipt acknowledged by East Oxford Cricket Club.

It was confirmed the £125 part Appeal Meeting fee had been paid and the deducted points would be reinstated.

GM

Finance:

LP reported

The Finance Report was circulated. It showed net Assets value at £25,582.95

It was noted 8 clubs had not yet paid their 2018 subscriptions. They were recorded as Buckingham Town, Chearsley, Dinton, Eynsham, Leighton Buzzard, Minster Lovell, Oxford, Shipton. These to be paid by 31st March 2018 or a late fee to be incurred.

LP

The debt from OnHand Stumps was now clear.

East Oxford payment plan was up to date.

Directors Liability insurance – work in progress.

LP

Communications to Clubs on new regulations etc:

Clubs need to be reminded on....

Non-playing umpires to Division 7

Clubs not providing panel umpires as per the Rules to be deducted 5 points per game where no nominated umpire given.

Any match day photos to be sent to GM

Cricket Balls to be paid for by BACS or cheque on the night of collection.

Division 5 and 6 teams need to have a Duckworth Lewis app. There is a link on the website.

Late reporting of results (11pm match day) and Captains report on Umpires (Thursday following) – 2 points penalty per offence.

Attention to the 'new' Grounds/Facilities criteria. Link to the criteria on the website.

Sub Committee reports:

Umpires – NH reported

5 clubs still needed to submit nominated umpires. Nominations should be in by April 27th otherwise the 5 points penalty to be incurred.

First appointments should be available by mid April.

NH

Grounds/Facilities.

JH reported.

The new working document of criteria for Clubs' grounds/facilities standards by the division they are in or aspire to is now on the website. Still some Clubs to complete the survey. If these Clubs don't complete by the end of March, the League will do so with a possible charge of £50. GM to inform these offending clubs.

GM

Teams who will appear to finish in the top four of a Division to be inspected mid season to ensure they meet the standards of the League to which they would be promoted. After discussion it was agreed that if a club finishes in a promotion position but does not meet criteria or cannot show proposals to meet criteria of the league above, they may not be allowed to move up but no current club would be relegated if didn't meet the standards. DMB to write to all Chairman informing them of this.

DMB

The meeting of 'eastern' Clubs at Long Marston was well attended and well received by the Clubs.

Consideration to be given to similar forums around the counties.

Grounds issues update – Bletchley CC engaging actively and progress being made.

Westbury main ground being monitored. Westbury 3rd team had indicated playing at Beechborough. It was noted there are only 3 pitches available here and the whole situation would be carefully monitored.

Player Pool amongst the lower divisions was discussed, but not considered viable currently.

DMB still to write to Division 1 sides to inform them they need to be aware of the HCPCL criteria and requirements.

DMB

Cricket/Playing

Representative games. OCA, TVCL and 4 Counties League to be approached. JH to ask Neil Megson if he would be Organiser/Manager. Agreed strongest teams to be put out for all fixtures.

JH

2018 trophies.- It was agreed the 2017 season trophies were an excellent standard and after discussion should be used for 2018. DP reported the trophies would cost the same as 2017 at £2875. It was agreed to proceed. DP to organize.

DP

Social Events

Presentation Dinner booked for October 20th. A meeting had been held with the Belfry Hotel. Prices to remain as 2017 (based on minimum 120). Agreed to sign contract and return to Belfry Hotel.

DMB

Sub-committee considering format/speaker etc and to come back with proposals.

Links with other Leagues and County Boards:

BS/LP/DMB to meet with representatives of TVCL to discuss any opportunities including bulk purchase of balls.

BS/LP/DMB

Sponsorship:

IM to meet with Serious Cricket to discuss if there are any possibilities.

IM

Website:

Registrations are available.

DP not receiving 'Secretary@' emails. Likewise DMB cannot use to email DP. GM to investigate.

GM

Handbook:

Email received from Mayfield Press- normal printers. Agreed to go ahead with them. With the increased use of on-line access, it was agreed the Handbook could be smaller in content and quantity ordered.

750?

GM/DMB

The content should include ...
Club Contact information/Fixtures/League Constitution/Ground rules/
all Playing rules/Rain rules/Registration rules/Disciplinary rules/Umpires Panel.

A.O.B

BS –New Club applications for 2019. To be considered if applications received by June 30th 2018.
Invitation to apply to go on website. Agreed any new Club would need to have two teams in the CCL.
Previous unsuccessful applications - a list of the Clubs who would be re-approached to be agreed at the
April meeting. **ALL**
LP – meeting required with Tiflex to negotiate 2019 pricing.

Meeting closed at 22:10pm

Next meeting - 19th April
Proposed dates for 2018 meetings:
17th May – 21st June

Pre-season meetings
23rd April Umpires /24th April Captains'

Presentation Dinner
October 20th

General Meeting
November 29th