

Minutes of the Cherwell Cricket League Management Committee via Zoom, 20<sup>th</sup> August 2020

Present : B Standish, I Murdoch, G Murton, D Warner, D Pryor, J Howe, N Hinks, L Pykett, L Payne

D Beck.

Matters arising from last minutes

Not all of the Hampton balls had been collected, the quality was not as good as the current league ball. LP to investigate outstanding payments for league and Hampton balls.

Finance

The bank statements had only just arrived, so no break down of figures, although current account stood at £20,248.19 as of 10<sup>th</sup> August, cheques of £608 to be banked. Business reserve £608. Paypal account c£5308.33. L Payne would provide details of outstanding ball payments in order the clubs could be chased as now nearing end of the season.

2020 Season

IM had sent a reminder on COVID to clubs today.

East Oxford 2s had withdrawn from the rest of the season due to availability. Clubs to be advised and it was agreed that their record be expunged.

Week 18 would be playoffs and this would be worked out taking into account ground availability with clubs playing, where possible 1 v 1 to 8 v 8. GM would work on this and issue fixtures asap so that NH could arrange the umpire appointments.

OCA Proposal

DW reported that all but 3 clubs had been contacted and the response was largely positive.

OCA are currently putting together a presentation to send to their clubs for feedback and will invite them to a Zoom meeting in the next week or so.

A discussion on whether 2<sup>nd</sup> teams could be put in Division 1, it was agreed that this condition would be removed from the proposal and if clubs wanted to bring this in, proposals to come from the Clubs and not be committee led.

A discussion on the structure of the first 3 tiers , again 2 proposals to be put forward to Clubs and presently equally.

IM would produce a document to go to clubs and then invite one member from each Club to join Zoom meetings, this would replace the forums set for September, once an agreement was reached it would go to a Special General Meeting.

No team would be in a lower league than they already are.

After 2 seasons, there would be an assessment on the structure and possibly tweaks would need to be made.

NH was concerned on the provision of panel umpires and the document showed that top leagues would require panel umpires and it would be an aspiration for lower leagues to produce umpires for the panel, but realising that some would wish to remain as a club umpire.

With regard to the current OCA competitions, it was hoped that these could run on Sundays,

The proposal set out 100 overs in top leagues and 90 in lower leagues, this could be changed if Clubs put forward details but need to agree structure and integration before changing playing details. Clubs have enjoyed the 40 over matches this year, but we have to be aware of the gap between top and bottom of the league.

## Disciplinary

A report had been received concerning Cropredy 2 v LBCC 2, DB was awaiting a reply from LBCC.

## Rep Game

Game v OCA set for Witney Mills this Sunday. Shirts were sponsored by Serious Cricket as they could supply in time.

TVL game was rained off – again.

## Grounds

Visits have been made to 3 applicant teams grounds and all were deemed satisfactory

Thame 3<sup>rd</sup> ground at Lord Williams had improved.

## Website.

GM had been updating each week. BS asked about umpire details, GM stated that there was a box on the results card to enter name of umpire.

## AOB

JH asked if the player pool would be used in the lower tiers, this would be discussed and implemented if necessary. Maybe single team clubs could merge extra players. This would need to be kept reviewed.

Meeting closed 10 15.

Next meeting due 17<sup>th</sup> September, this may be flexible subject to the the results of the forums.