



# Yorkshire Cricket Southern Premier League

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## Senior Section

**16<sup>th</sup> Meeting – Monday 13 June 2022 – 7pm  
at Blackburn & Wincobank Conservative Club**

## Notes of Meeting

Present: David Ward (chair), Melvyn Bond, Richard Fidler, Bryan Lowe, Lindsay Pepper, Linzey Scothern, Matt Summerhill, Graham Swallow (Secretary), Nelson Windle

Apologies: Richard North

1. **Safeguarding** – LP reported that the Monk Bretton issue had been handed over to Maurice Gilliatt. She also reported verbal abuse towards a junior player in the recent Warmsworth v Doncaster Town fixture. DW explained that this was not a disciplinary matter, and that MG was standing in the game. MG was waiting for the other umpire's report and a response from the clubs. LP suggested that these issues should be dealt with wherever possible by the relevant clubs. It was also noted that a Level 1 warning had been issued by the umpires during the game.

It was agreed that an email should be sent to the Chairman, Secretary and safeguarding Officer of all clubs reminding them of their roles and responsibilities.

2. **Discipline** – DW reported that Mick Bocking had resigned as Disciplinary Chairman, and that Neil Vaughan would now take on the role of disciplinary chairman and a disciplinary officer would need to be recruited, in the short-term Neil would be supported by DW & RP. He stated that MB had not been happy with issues that were not 'discipline' and by certain comments passed by Paul McFarlane. It was agreed that we should thank MB for his time and commitment to the role.

DW confirmed there had been seven separate incidents last weekend.

3. **Bentley Colliery application** – DW/LS/GS had recently visited the ex-colliery ground. In general, the ground and facilities were in a satisfactory condition. LP said from her experiences with the BDCL, they were not great at administration. It was agreed that we should accept their application if the Pontefract League agree to their release for 2023. DW had informed them that we require Umpire details by 31 July 2022.

Other clubs joining the YCSPL in 2023 will be Norton Woodseats 2 and Barnby Dun 1 and 2.

4. **Cup Competition rules** – Due to adverse weather on Sunday 5 June DW emailed clubs and asked them to read the rules regarding them concluding the fixture on that day, as previously agreed. He confirmed that most games were concluded but that Adwick le Street conceded.
5. **Anti-Discrimination code** – DW reported that clubs must have an anti-discrimination code in their constitution.

6. **T20 Plate 26 June 2022 – Provision of Food, Balls & Payment of Umpires** – it was agreed that clubs staging the group stage matches on Sunday 26 June would provide teas if they do so for league matches. If not, they will be required to provide teas for three Umpires and three Scorers and drinks for Players.
7. **Adwick le Street** – have confirmed they will not be entering a 2<sup>nd</sup> XI in 2023.
8. **Sheffield Super Strikers** - have shown interest in joining the league but nothing confirmed. Under the Y&DCL rules they would not be allowed to join until 2024.
9. **AOB**
  - i. MS had received a query from Ackworth regarding a fixture clash due to their progression in the National Village Cup and their game with Treeton. MS said Treeton would have to agree to any rearrangement. Failing that, Ackworth would have to decide which fixture they should fulfil.
  - ii. MB reported that this the first season since he took over the role of Play Cricket manager that he was unable to “lock” all results during the following week, and that 3no were still “open” from last week. He stated that a Barnsley Woolley junior had played last week and this and was still not registered. Furthermore, there were issues with a junior at Green Moor and Brookhouse. DW reported that clubs were still not submitting scorecards within the permitted period and that further action would be taken if this continues.
  - iii. NW stated that the E & D Group report is to be submitted.
  - iv. BL asked about the sewerage problems at the Woolley ground. DW has spoken to Mark Beardshall about this.
  - v. DW reported problems at the Civil Service ground in Ecclesfield which Whitley Hall 3 are hiring where no teas or drinks had been made available. DW has spoken to Joe Webster who suggested that umpires should not be sent there to officiate in future.
  - vi. LS reported a lack of coat pegs and lots of rubbish in the umpire’s room at Thorncliffe.
  - vii. DW has contacted Wickersley 3, Wath 3, Sheffield United 3 and Rockingham 4 to name their grounds for 2023, but to date he has had no positive response.
  - viii. LP mentioned that several club scorers in the Championship were juniors aged 13/14, and they lacked the concentration levels to score at that level.
  - ix. GS asked if the August meeting could be switched to Monday 15 August. Agreed.
  - x. GS reported that players from both teams and the umpires had worn navy shirts and trousers during the Whitworth Cup fixture between Sprotbrough and Wath and asked if in future umpires could wear white shirts/tops. GS asked about the quantity of pink balls available at each cup match if a ball was lost and it was agreed that all clubs should have spares from previous matches which they should carry and be available for use.

Meeting closed at 9.05pm

Next meeting – Thursday 21 July 2022