



Yorkshire Cricket Southern Premier League

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Senior Section Cricket Committee

8th Meeting – Thursday 19 August 2021 – 7pm by Zoom

Notes of Meeting

Present: David Ward (chairman), Melvyn Bond, Richard Fidler, Irfan Mirza, Richard North, Lindsay Pepper, Graham Swallow (secretary)

Apologies: Bryan Lowe, Linzey Scothern, Matt Summerhill

- 1. Feedback from E&D Group.** IM confirmed that the E&D group were awaiting the results of the survey.
- 2. Tickhill safeguarding issue with Doncaster Town.** DW said that he had spoken to Maurice Gilliatt regarding derogatory remarks made by a Tickhill player about the brother of a Doncaster player, and they were currently awaiting a response from Mick Ford. There were differences of opinion as to whether one or more players were involved. DW confirmed this would be discussed at the forthcoming LEB meeting.
- 3. Covid cancelled fixtures.** MB reported that there hves been 38 cancelled fixtures due to Covid, but none had been currently received for this coming weekend.
- 4. New teams for 2023 season.** DW said that Sheffield Superkings (two teams) and Superstrickers have shown an interest in joining the YCSPL in 2023.
- 5. Adwick-le-Street, Eden Grove and Maltby 2nds in 2022.** Will be asked to confirm their intentions before the end of the season. Brodsworth CC have confirmed their 3rd XI would not be playing in the YCSPL next season. They were considering their first and second teams for season 2023 but would need permission to negotiate from the Pontefract League. DW reported that Barnby Dun would re-apply for season 2023.
- 6. Caribbean – Rule 36.** DW had spoken to Caribbean SC who recently played two first XI players in a second XI game, contrary to the spirit of the game. After discussion the committee applied at points deduction under rule 36, which Caribbean have accepted and will be ratified at LEB.
- 7. Complaint from Peter Holmes of Fishlake CC.** DW had received a complaint from Peter Holmes regarding player's behaviour, stating that this was more prevalent when no league umpires were officiating, and suggested that the YCSPL were not doing enough to prevent this behaviour; and also were not recruiting enough umpires. DW has responded to him and was to forward copies of the emails to the committee for reference.

- 8. Outstanding Cup Finals.** The Whitworth Cup final, which was cancelled recently due to the weather, will now be played at Wath CC on Sunday 5 September. The *Viking Cricket* Cup final will also be held on the same date at Woodhouse Grange. This coming Sunday the Presidents Cup final will be held at Upper Haugh CC, with the Mick Savage final on Sunday 29 August at Darfield CC.
- 9. Disciplinary report.** A meeting was held on Monday 16 August regarding Whiston CC and two of their players, and decisions were pending. DW confirmed that a Wombwell player had received a level 1 warning at last week's Billy Oates final, which had been accepted by Wombwell. An umpire's report had been received from the recent Barnsley v Aston Hall game which was being dealt with by the disciplinary committee.
- 10. Play Cricket.** MB said that there were five unregistered players on the Wath 3rd XI scorecard on 17 July, mostly juniors, who had been incorrectly recorded, MB has been in dialogue with Wath and was expecting a response by 20 August, which would then be discussed by the committee.
- MB had received an allegation that Rotherham Town had played an 'illegal immigrant' and had tried to obtain details about this. RF said that in fact the player is an asylum seeker who has been in the UK since 18 December 2018, and that he has Home Office 'leave to remain' in the UK until at least 2023 when the decision would be reviewed. It was agreed that he be registered as a Category 3 Exempt player.
- 11. SYCUA – Aston Hall v Whiston PC.** The SYCUA are concerned that despite several requests an umpire was not paid in accordance with league rules. DW to check the details and respond to Paul McFarlane.
- 12. AOB**
- DW said that the 2022 season would commence on Saturday 16 April 2022 (Easter Saturday).
 - RF clarified that persons who had received both Covid injections were not required to isolate unless they have symptoms.
 - IM said that the Rotherham Town players had received a hostile reception at South Kirkby last Saturday, including blatant racism and intimidation by two spectators, and that nothing was done by the club to prevent this. Rotherham Town to forward a report to YCSPL and DW to speak to Reg Mills at South Kirkby.
- 13. Date of next meeting.** Thursday 16 September – 7pm by Zoom.

Meeting closed at 8pm