



Cherwell League Management Meeting Minutes  
Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2017 at BNOCC, Akeman Street, Bicester.

#### **Present**

Brian Standish (BS), Len Payne (LP), David Beck (DMB), Neilson Hinks (NH), Jim Howe (JH), Mike Dove (MD), David Warner (DW), Gary Murton (GM)

#### **Apologies**

David Pryor(DP), Ian Murdoch (IM)

#### **Meeting Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2017 were agreed and approved.

#### **Matters arising**

East Oxford – still no response regarding player adverts. DMB to write again stressing the urgency and significance of the matter. **DMB**

Chearsley – no update on their plans regarding the number of teams they would have for 2018. DMB to write for clarification. It was agreed the Committee would support their re-election providing they were able to enter two teams. **DMB**

E&W Hendred, Charlbury and Eynsham applications to join. - LP confirmed all three clubs were solvent and there was nothing in the accounts to prevent their applications.

#### **Correspondence**

- Luke Ryan –email regarding meetings to discuss National Players' Survey. DMB/LP to attend the joint meeting of CCL/OCA. Players to be found to attend the Players' meeting.

#### **Finance**

LP circulated the monthly report.

Balls for 2018. After discussion it was agreed to stick with the '2017' ball although it was noted that the manufacturers had informed of a price increase.

It was noted that any new teams joining for 2018 would need 'spare' balls.

#### **Sub-Committee reports**

##### **Umpires - NH**

Appointments had worked well through season.

There had not been 100% response from Captains with their Umpires' reports. NH was discussing support for the Umpires' Co-ordinators role with someone. To keep Committee informed.

There had only been 2 weeks where there had been an instance of only one umpire standing at a game.

The League should aspire to all Panel Umpires being at least Level 1 grade. NH talking to Umpires' Education Officer and will write to all Umpires with course dates. **NH**

I.Royle to do a number of courses on the new Laws and he was willing to attend the pre-season Captains' and Umpires' Meetings.  
DMB had ordered 200 new Laws books.

### **Grounds/Facilities - JH**

JH produced draft Club's Grounds and Facilities Standards document.  
It was agreed the minimum boundary should be 40 yards and that the Grounds and Facilities sections should be kept separate. A self- assessment form for Clubs to be put together and circulated to Clubs after agreement by Committee.

3 letters to be put together, with different levels (1,2,3) of advice/warning on ground and facilities standards. These to go out to appropriate Clubs before the start of next season. **JH**

Brackley – JH/DMB had site visit. Still concerns. To re-inspect before next season and issue letter if needed. **JH/DMB**

Bletchley – progress being made but being monitored.

Westbury - JH to continue to monitor. Appropriate letter to be sent before next season. **JH/DMB**

### **Cricket/Playing**

The two Forums had been attended by 23 of the Clubs. DMB/GM to put together the opinions of the Clubs ready for the Committee to consider any changes for 2018.

### **Social/Events -**

Annual Dinner. – progressing, all things appeared to be in hand. Help required from around 5.30pm on the day. All trophies ordered and deliveries arranged.

### **Links with other Leagues and County Boards.**

BS communicating with Luke Ryan

### **Website -GM**

Nothing to report

### **Any other business**

DMB discussed with Committee the work load of the League's Secretary role. It was agreed to appoint an Assistant to help with Minutes, general Administration. Ex-officio role with no voting rights. DMB to discuss with R-E Beck **DMB**

**Future Meetings and Events** - All meetings will be held at Bicester & North Oxford Cricket Club, Akemen Street, Bicester and commence at 7.30pm.

Management Committee

October 16th (MONDAY) - Management Committee basically for AGM preparation.

Annual Dinner October 7<sup>th</sup>

General Meeting November 23<sup>rd</sup>.