



## Yorkshire Cricket Southern Premier League

### YCSPL SENIOR SECTION MEETING

32<sup>ND</sup> Meeting – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at 7pm

Blackburn & Wincobank Conservative Club

#### Notes of Meeting

Present: David Ward (Chair), Linzey Scothern, Melvyn Bond, Nelson Windle, Matt Summerhill, Richard North, Lindsay Pepper

Apologies: Graham Swallow, Bryan Lowe, Richard Fidler

1. **ED&I** – NW informed the meeting that the group are still waiting to hear back from the YCB about the advert for new recruits. Until this happens, they can't move forward with recruitment.
2. **Safeguarding**
  - LP has been on a course for League Safeguarding Officers it was mentioned that safeguarding must be on the agenda of all league committee meetings, which we already comply with.
  - LP reported to the meeting that eLearning is not syncing correctly with the Safehands System resulting in some clubs showing as non-compliant even though all relevant courses have been completed.
  - It was agreed that the league has done all it can to advise clubs on the protection of scorers during games. LS reported that the umpires are happy to mention the monitoring of scorers during their pre match meeting with the captains.
  - LP has visited Houghton Main CC to talk to the new administration team. 5 members had their DBS checks completed this week. As all clubs above Division 4 should have Clubmark, it was agreed to monitor Houghton Main's Clubmark progress in June.
3. **20<sup>th</sup> April Rearranged Fixtures** – DW stated that only 4 fixtures remain scheduled to be played on the 20<sup>th</sup> of April. MS commended all the clubs who had rearranged fixtures for their prompt reactions, the fixtures to be played on the 20<sup>th</sup> April are:
  - Barnby Dun v Fishlake
  - Hatfield Town 2 v Sheffield United 2
  - Mexborough Athletic 2 v Kexborough 2
  - Upper Haugh 3 v Adwick-le-Street.
4. **Applications 2025 & 2026**
  - It was agreed to send the league structure for 2025 that MS presented at the preseason meeting to all of the clubs who are joining us in 2025.
  - Sheffield Super Kings have applied to enter the league in 2025 but have missed the deadline, DW has advised them of the situation and welcomed them to reapply for 2026.

5. **Umpires for 2024**

- LS reported that even with the 8 new umpires joining us this year, we are going to be 50 to 60 umpires short each weekend.
- LS said that 3 new umpires had registered late resulting in no available mentors for them to be able to stand in matches in April.
- DW informed the meeting that there will be an overseas umpire from Western Australia officiating games for 10 weeks of the season.
- DW reported that WTU is now up to date and ready for the 2024 season.

6. **Ground Inspection at Dinnington (Handsworth CC)** – MS reported that Handsworth 2 v University Staff will now be played at Warminster Road therefore there is no need for the inspection to take place.

7. **Play Cricket**

- MB has produced a guide to help clubs make sure that the correct amount of bonus points are awarded in games when the new countback system is used.
- It was agreed to assess the new points system as the season progresses.

8. **AOB**

- MS suggested that clubs involved in the first rounds of the Mick Savage Trophy and Billy Oates Cup be given the option of rearranging their fixtures a week later to the 5th May. This was agreed, DW to inform the clubs involved that they have until 23rd April to confirm with the league if they wish to move their fixtures.
- LS reported that some equipment had not been delivered by Readers, DW added that the balls for the Ladies and Girls teams had also not arrived. DW to contact Readers for an update.
- DW informed the meeting that Sheffield United CC had been given dispensation to rearrange after the deadline as they had missed the notification. DW had written to SUCC to check that all listed contacts were receiving emails. It was agreed to monitor SUCC's administration as the season progresses.

Meeting Closed 8:10pm