



THE GORDON RIGG  
BRADFORD PREMIER LEAGUE



<b>Management Board Meeting</b>
<b>Thursday, May 12<sup>th</sup> 2022 at Hanging Heaton</b>
<b>ATTENDEE</b> David Young (President), Mark Heald (Chairman), Chris Leathley (Secretary), Alan Birkinshaw (CEO), Mick Varley (Treasurer), Bill Holmes (Marketing & Sponsorship), Neil Johnson (MOA), Philip Radcliffe (Cricket Operations), Chris Marsden (Players Rep) Brian Pearson (Clubs Rep), Lee Birkinshaw (Safeguarding)
<b>1. APOLOGIES</b> Peter Arundel, Nasa Hussain (EDI and Disciplinary Chairman) and Bob Schofield (Club Rep)
<b>2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING</b> Agreed and approved
<b>3. MATTERS ARISING</b> <b>Solicitor:</b> NH sent word that Sohail Ali is keen to carry out more Unconscious bias training and it was suggested he be approached to act as League Solicitor - ongoing <b>Action:</b> NH to speak to AB/MH for clarification re role <b>Umpires' marks:</b> BP spoken to Jer Lane and East Bierley re inconsistent umpires' mark. <b>Action:</b> NJ/NT to continue to monitor marks and provide feedback <b>Priestley Shield:</b> Northowram Fields & Spen Victoria forfeited ties. <b>Action:</b> PR to notify clubs they will be excluded from the 2023 competition <b>Rodley:</b> DY said Rodley's application to join the Aire Wharfe League is being considered by the league's Management Committee. <b>Action:</b> Situation to be monitored
<b>4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT</b> MH confirmed various actions from previous meetings had been completed with follow up actions as follows: <b>CM</b> to ensure Premier Division post-match meetings are working <b>AB</b> to notify clubs that comparison of scores will be used rather than DLS if there are computer or printer issues. <b>AB</b> to notify clubs via newsletter to use 'over by over' and not 'ball by ball' for printing DLS sheets. <b>CL/BH</b> to monitor club progress with compliance <b>CL</b> to progress and assist clubs with Safe Hands Management System <b>BH</b> to remind clubs re promoting Gordon Rigg via Social Media <b>NJ/BP</b> follow up re damaged Premier and Division Two trophies <b>BH/CL</b> to contact those clubs who do not have three Junior Teams <b>NJ</b> to update WTU information by removing non-active umpires <b>PR</b> to monitor games switched to reserve date due to religious festivals.  <b>Crossbank Methodists:</b> MH asked for the club's performance in fielding teams is monitored. <b>Action:</b> PR to monitor <b>Rodley Ground:</b> MH requested an update on the access issues caused by construction work. In the light of an injury to an East Leeds player on May 9 it was agreed that a site visit was required to ensure adequate access for emergency vehicles. <b>Action:</b> AB and PR to meet with the club on May 13 <b>ECB General Conduct Regulations:</b> documentation has been received and a draft produced which includes the appointment of two officers. Nasa Hussain to become Disciplinary Chairman and Bill Holmes the new Disciplinary Officer. BH will be responsible for administering the disciplinary process and NH will Chair Disciplinary Hearings. <b>Action:</b> The regulations have been adopted and BH will adapt the sections where the league is allowed to.

Meanwhile MH reviewed the following disciplinary cases:

**Jer Lane 2nds v New Farnley 2nds:** Jer Lane imposed an immediate 2 week ban with 4 weeks suspended to the end of the season on one of their players. – endorsed by MH who also thanked Jer Lane for their prompt action.

**WSM v Yeadon:** A Yeadon player received a Level 1 ban and was suspended for one week.

**Hartshead Moor v Hopton Mills:** A Hartshead Moor player received a Level 1 ban and was suspended for one week

**Birstall v Wrenthorpe** – Wrenthorpe warned about the behaviour of their players

**Carlton v Keighley** – Keighley warned about the behaviour of their players

**Panel Umpires in second team cricket:** Jer Lane had enquired about the procedure to be followed when a panel umpire is appointed.

**Action:** If a club umpire is present, he will share full duties with the Panel Umpire and will not be limited to square leg only.

CYCL Records: David Morris has contacted MH about handing over the data he holds.

**Action:** MV to meet David Morris to collect the material

**Umpires:** A meeting with the Match Officials Association to be organised to discuss the current shortage, future recruitment and formulate the development plan the league is required to make to the ECB.

**Action:** MH to select a group of board members to participate and CL to book a venue.

Criteria: MH asked that following the criteria meeting, the BPCL Criteria should be sent to clubs and published on the league's website.

**Action:** AB to arrange

## 5. CHIEF EXECUTIVE REPORT

AB reported that 190 games have been played and not 1 abandoned to date.

One Jack Hampshire Cup game had been conceded and Liversedge to be informed they are excluded from 2023 JH Cup competition.

Priestley Cup: 7 games played – Wrenthorpe conceded

Priestley Shield: 17 games played – Northowram Fields and Spen Victoria conceded and are to be notified.

Jack Hampshire: Liversedge conceded.

**Action:** CL to notify the clubs that have been excluded from the competitions in 2023.

**Premier League Accreditation:** AB stated he would be reporting to the ECB by 27/5 a list of all clubs in the Premier and Division One who did not run/operate three Junior Teams in 2021.

Also included in our declaration will be a list of our overseas registered players.

AB stated the need to plan to diversify the League Committee in the next 3 years and also to outline a Plan to recruit and retain Umpires also in the next 3 years.

AB informed the meeting that there is an '**Injury Surveillance tool**' now available and clubs are to be encouraged to report injuries

**Action:** PR to assist clubs re this process.

**Website users:** 4362 users last week. 3900 on May 8<sup>th</sup> and now an average of 4500 per week.

**Yorkshire Members Card:** AB asked how Board members could use it. DY stated he had the card in his possession.

**Action:** It was agreed the card to be 'shared' when requested

### Gordon Rigg passes

**AB has the board passes and reported that clubs have used their card/s.**

**Action:** CL/MV to remind clubs to ensure all purchases are recorded at the main till area when using the cards.

**Players Survey:** The ECB require the league to hold a players' survey. Board Members invited to submit Q's to DY for him to compile an online survey.

**Pink Balls for T20 Competitions:**

**Action:** BP to purchase 2 boxes ie 12

## 7. CRICKET OPERATIONS UPDATE

### Ineligible Player:

PR reported that Buttershaw St. Paul's have played an unregistered player in their second team and have been deducted the points achieved in the game concerned along with an additional 10-point penalty as per League Rules. The appropriate league table has been adjusted

### Special Category Players

Baildon, Wrenthorpe and Cleckheaton have signed players under this category.

## **8 COMPLIANCE**

### **Safeguarding Officer Details**

Received from all 48 clubs except the SO at one club who has chosen to withhold his DBS number. Ongoing to provide evidence of in date DBS.

### **Safe Hands Management System**

- All 48 Clubs have now registered on SHMS

**SHMS Advice Session** held at Morley CC on Tuesday May 10

- 17 clubs attended  
Premier: Cleckheaton  
Division 1: Baildon, Carlton, Wrenthorpe, Birstall, Gomersal, Jer Lane.  
Division 2: Lightcliffe, WSM, Sandal, Gt Preston  
Division 3: Crossbank Methodists, Adwalton, East Leeds, Spen Victoria, Windhill & Daisy Hill

### **Development Plans**

- Plans received from Prem and Div 1 clubs all except the following:
- Div 1: Wrenthorpe remains outstanding
- Plans received from Division 2 Clubs are Buttershaw St Pauls', Crossflatts, Hartshead Moor, Lightcliffe, Sandal, Bowling Old Lane and Yeadon have submitted direct to SA.

Plans received from Division 3 Clubs are Crossbank Methodists

A written report of the meetings was supplied to clubs with Clubmark and Safe Hands advice.

**Incentives:** The possibility of awarding financial incentives for clubs achieving compliance objectives to be explored.

**Action:** AB/CL/MV to investigate and propose to Management Board

## **9. TREASURER REPORT**

MV reported £70k in the league accounts, invoices of £3,200 to come in from advertising and £2,500 to go out for Yorkshire Cricket Board subscriptions.

**Phil Allen:** There is no change in this issue.

## **10. MARKETING & SPONSORSHIP**

BH reported that 47 banners were now displayed at grounds throughout the league. DY to pass on to BH the Wrenthorpe banner. 400 mugs have been distributed across the clubs.

### **RAISING STANDARDS**

BH reminded the meeting of his report which was sent out a week before the meeting.

The MOA Charter will be checked when visits take place but suggested we inform clubs to 'establish and clearly indicated/display' the exact location of the nearest defibrillator'

DY expressed concern regarding expenditure following the recent energy price announcements.

**Action:** BH to circulate consultation document prior to circulation to the clubs

## **11. AOB**

No AOB comments

## **12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**There being no other business the meeting ended at 9.05pm**

**Date of next Meeting Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2022 at 7.30pm at Hanging Heaton CC**