

Minutes of Committee Meeting held on 2nd September 2025

At 8:00pm held by zoom

Present: Amanda Counsell, Andy Barrett, Edward Martin, Gary Warren, Derek Hicks, Ben Pomeroy, Matt Lunn, John Squirrell and Matt Counsell

Apologies: Toby Strang and Stuart Shepherd

Minutes of last meeting were approved and virtually signed by Andy Barrett the Chair.

Correspondence:

Emails from various clubs regarding rule clarification especially due to last weekend's wet weather

From a club regarding clarification on no balls

emails regarding team strengthening

From a club with a possible new venue for 2026

Entries and enquiries to join league in 2026

Emails from clubs regarding dinner

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer reported that we have a stock of 262 cricket balls. Invoices have been settled for the zoom subscription, and a course subsidy has been paid.

We still have not secured a sponsor, we have someone who might be interested, Andy and John will pursue this.

Composition of League Divisions for 2025: The results from WEPL clubs mean that this season it will be the normal two up and two down. We have five spaces in the league currently and these have been filled, We do have several other applications. Currently we are waiting to see if any other clubs wish to join, leave or drop divisions. Ideally, we would like to take in all clubs who have applied and will need to look at ways to facilitate this. There are a few games which are due to be played next Saturday, and the results could change current relegation places. It is unlikely we will be able to confirm the set up of the divisions until the end of October. Clubs have been informed of this and told to assume two up and two down.

Disciplinary: it was reported that there are two ongoing outstanding disciplinary issues, these are in process. Sadly 14 players have received playing bans this season, each has taken up a huge amount of time. Over the winter, we will look at ways to encourage clubs to deal with discipline and we will look at our rules with a possibility of introducing points loss for poor discipline.

League Dinner: The 2024 dinner has been booked for Friday 10th October 2025, at the Somerset County Club at the County Ground. This will be a two-course meal. 7pm for a 7.30pm prompt start. Cost will be at the subsidised cost of £30 per ticket.

We have secured the services of Harry Everett to MC the evening and are currently waiting a confirmation of a guest.

Nominations have been received for All rounder of the Year and Young Player of the Year – It was agreed that Taylor Buller of Holford is the All Rounder and James Baker of Wembdon is the Young Player of the Year.

The winner of the Don Crouch Trophy for Fair Play will be confirmed after the final round of matches.

It was agreed that committee will vote on Ladbrokes Team of the Year and Holford have the highest aggregate points and win the Sunday Independent Cup.

Player's Players will be informed by email.

Outstanding trophies have been chased.

Possible Rule Change proposals: members of the committee are looking at rain affected game points and a fair play review.

We welcome any rule change proposals from clubs, these need to be with admin by 31st December, and seconded by another club.

AGM: We are actively seeking a venue for a face to face AGM in early February

Meeting closed 9.15 pm

Next Meeting 21st October