



NORTH BUCKS & DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE

(FOUNDED 1911)



Minutes of the League Management Meeting

Thursday 2nd March 2017

Present: N. Holman Esq. (President); A.P. Jeskins Esq. (Chairman / General Secretary),
M. McStraw Esq. (Vice-Chairman); Mrs. B. Sprules (Treasurer & Fixtures Secretary),
J. Hedge Esq. (Referee's Secretary); J. Fenner Esq., B. Stuchbury Esq.,

Apologies: N. Aldren Esq. (Registration Secretary);

Chairman's Opening Address:

The Chairman duly welcomed all members to the meeting.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on Thursday 2nd February 2017:

The Minutes of the meeting held Thursday 2nd February 2017 were tabled at the meeting for review and discussion. Committee Members would review and come back with any queries and then be sent out.

Matter's Arising

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes that would not come up under the various Officer's reports at the meeting.

Correspondence

Bedfordshire F.A.	County Cup Bulletin Nr. 16	Noted
Tattenhoe F.C.	Correspondence from Berks & Bucks F.A. regarding Hearing Cancellation	Actioned APJ
Berks & Bucks F.A.	FA Referee Course Programme 2017	Noted
Berks & Bucks F.A.	Newsletter	Noted
MK Referee's Association	League & Competition Reports	Noted
Marsh Gibbon F.C.	Re: Match Day Signing On Forms	Actioned NA
MK Referee's Association	Branch Meeting Thursday 9 th February 2017	Noted
Stoke Hammond Youth F.C.	Re: Pitch Marking / Pitch Sharing	Noted

It was the decision of the Management Committee that we would not object to the Pitch being marked in two colours and two sizes as this is F.A. Guidance, however the League will not 'Approve' the proposal as ultimately it is down to the Match Official on the day as to whether lines and condition will cause confusion to players. It is noted that the Club are to ensure that the adult is marked out in white on each day prior to any NBDFL fixtures to ensure that these lines are prominent and to reduce the likelihood of any confusion.

Willen F.C.	Re: Player Eligibility	Noted
MK Referee's Association	Minutes of January Meeting	Noted
Northampton Town FA	Gorell Barnes Cup Draw	Noted
Scot F.C.	Re: Ineligible Player and Club Affiliation	Actioned APJ
Scot F.C.	Re: 3G Pitch Usage	Actioned APJ
Willen F.C.	Re: 3G Pitch Usage	Actioned APJ
Stony Stratford F.C.	Continued Issues with FA Whole Games System	Noted

Correspondence Received (Cont/d...)

Duston Dynamo F.C.	Re: Fixture Clash with Gorrell Barnes Cup and League Fixtures	Noted
Tattenhoe F.C.	Re: Follow up from Attendance at League Meeting	Accepted
Bedfordshire F.A.	County Cup Bulletin Nr. 17	Noted
Berks & Bucks F.A.	Re: Changes to County Affiliation for 2017 and 2018 in respect of Insurance	Noted
G. Ogden Esq.	Change of E-Mail Address: garyrogden@gmail.com	Noted
Berks & Bucks F.A.	Re: Abandoned Fixture Tattenhoe Res. Vs Willen Res.	Noted
Hanslope F.C.	Re: Abandoned Matches, Appearances and Match Reports	Actioned NH
	The Management Committee would advised that abandoned matches still count as appearances as far as League and Cup eligibility is concerned and Match Report Sheets are still to be submitted to the League. However, since the games are not completed, they do not count as a match as far as match day suspensions with the County FA. are concerned.	
P. Hastings Esq.	Referee Appointment - 25 th February 2017	Actioned APJ
Towcester Town F.C.	Request to enter the Gorrell Barnes Cup	Noted
	It was the decision of the Management Committee that at this stage of the season ad the number of matches still to play that permission not be granted to enter this external competition. The League would consider entry by NBDFL Clubs for next season so that these can be planned in from the start of the season. Further, the Management Committee would be reporting the Northampton Town F.A. for their method of approach to two NBDFL Clubs prior to seeking permission of the League or giving notice to do so in accordance with F.A. Protocols.	
Padbury Village F.C.	Confirmation of Return of League Cups	Actioned APJ
Willen F.C.	Confirmation of Postponed Fixture due to Waterlogged Pitch	Noted
R. Feverall Esq.	Query over Suspended Player	Actioned APJ
Northamptonshire F.A.	Re: Referee Promotion Window for Applications	Noted
Westbury F.C.	Proposed Rule Changes	Noted
Wing Village F.C.	Confirmation of Seconding of Westbury's Proposed Rule Changes	Noted
Berks & Bucks F.A.	Adult League Forum - 23 rd March 2017	Noted
Bedfordshire F.A.	County Cup Bulletin Nr. 18	Noted
Scot F.C.	Confirmation of Postponed Fixture due to Waterlogged Pitch	Noted
University of Buckingham	Confirmation of Postponed Fixture due to Waterlogged Pitch	Noted
City Colts F.C.	Confirmation of Postponed Fixture due to Waterlogged Pitch	Noted
Brackley Sports F.C.	Query over Fixture on Saturday 4 th March 2017	Actioned APJ
Deanshanger Athletic F.C.	Confirmation of Postponed Fixture due to Waterlogged Pitch	Noted
Westbury F.C.	Confirmation of Postponed Fixture due to Waterlogged Pitch	Noted
Hanslope F.C.	Confirmation of Postponed Fixture due to Waterlogged Pitch	Noted
Stewkley F.C.	Confirmation of Postponed Fixture due to Waterlogged Pitch	Noted
Stony Stratford F.C.	Notification of Fixture Clash with Old Bradwell United F.C.	Actioned BS
Marsh Gibbon F.C.	Change of Secretary's E-Mail Address: marcelle1966@live.com	Noted
AFC Santander	Notification of Unavailability - Alternative Contact Matt Millburn (Chairman)	Noted
Twyford United F.C.	Change of Mobile Telephone Number for Martin Dearlove - (07920) 525907	Noted
Scot F.C.	Query Regarding Fixtures	Actioned BS
Berks & Bucks F.A.	Response Regarding Approach from Northampton Town F.A. Re: Cup Competition	Actioned APJ

Correspondence Received (Cont/d...)

Berks & Bucks F.A.	Response to Query Regarding Suspended Player	Noted
Northamptonshire F.A.	Re; Safeguarding	Noted
Stoke Hammond F.C.	Re: Pitch Sharing Query	Noted
Stewkley F.C.	List of Players for Cup Semi-Final	Actioned NH
Berks & Bucks F.A.	Outcome of Hearing Regarding Abandoned Fixture Tattenhoe Res. Vs Willen Res. It was the decision of the Management Committee following the decision of the Berks & Bucks F.A. that both Clubs would be removed from the Competition as both had been found guilty of causing the match to be abandoned.	Noted
AFC Santander	Re: Fixture Clash with South Midlands Football League	Actioned BS

Outstanding Fines

Woughton F.C.

Woughton F.C. have been reported to the Berks & Bucks Football Association, and those players previously registered with them last season are required to contribute their share for which they are liable. The share per player is £ 4.25.

Total Debt £ 100.00 Payments Received to Date: £ 55.30

Denbigh Hall Sports & Social F.C.

Denbigh Hall Sports & Social have been reported to the Berks & Bucks Football Association, and those players previously registered with them last season and who have registered elsewhere this season will be contacted directly to contribute their share for which they are liable. The share per player is £ 3.80.

Total Debt £ 110.00 Payments Received to Date: £ 3.80

Newport Pagnell 'A' F.C.

Newport Pagnell 'A' have been reported to the Berks & Bucks Football Association, and those players previously registered with them are required to contribute their share for which they are liable. The share per player is £ 3.80.

Total Debt £ 334.00 Payments Received to Date: £ 3.80

Sherington United F.C.

Sherington United have been reported to the Berks & Bucks Football Association, and those players previously registered with them are required to contribute their share for which they are liable. The share per player is £ 2.00.

Total Debt £ 62.25 Payments Received to Date: £ 16.00

St. George's F.C.

St. George's F.C. have been reported to the Berks & Bucks Football Association, and those players previously registered with them are required to contribute their share for which they are liable. The share per player is £ 8.50.

Total Debt £ 280.00 Payments Received to Date: £ 25.50

Scot F.C.

Scot F.C. have been reported to the Berks & Bucks Football Association, and those players previously registered with them are required to contribute their share for which they are liable. The share per player is £ 3.60

Total Debt £ 109.80 Payments Received to Date: £ 79.60

Cage Athletic F.C.

Cage Athletic F.C. have been reported to the Berks & Bucks Football Association, and those players previously registered with them are required to contribute their share for which they are liable. The share per player is £ 5.40

Total Debt £ 150.00 Payments Received to Date: £ 5.40

New City Stars F.C.

New City Stars F.C. have been reported to the Berks & Bucks Football Association, and those players previously registered with them are required to contribute their share for which they are liable. The share per player is £ 10.00.

Total Debt £ 310.00

Payments Received to Date: £ 30.00

Comet MK F.C.

Comet MK F.C. have been reported to the Berks & Bucks Football Association, and those players previously registered with them are required to contribute their share for which they are liable. The share per player is £ 8.90.

Total Debt £ 372.00

Payments Received to Date: £ 0.00

Outstanding Fines

As At: 2nd March 2017

Invoices Issued 24th October 2016 - Payments Due 14th November 2016

Stony Stratford Town F.C. £ 5.50

Towcester Town F.C. £ 61.00

Total Outstanding £ 66.50

Invoices Issued 3rd January 2017 - Payments Due 24th January 2017

Marsh Gibbon F.C. £ 20.00

MK Wanderers F.C. £ 50.00 £ 30.00 Paid - £ 20.00 Outstanding

Padbury Village F.C. £ 70.00

Scot F.C. £ 60.00

Stewkley F.C. £ 20.00

Stony Stratford Town F.C. £ 45.50

Tattenhoe F.C. £ 180.00 £ 150.00 Paid - £ 30.00 Outstanding

Towcester Town F.C. £ 171.00

Willen F.C. £ 30.00

Wing Village F.C. £ 16.00

Fines for Breach of League Rules

Notification of fines raised since the last meeting on 2nd February 2017 will be issued separately directly with Clubs as noted on the Agenda. These will also include fines raised for Charges detailed in the last minutes as e-mailed to each Club. These are noted in Appendix A and B for information only.

Charges for Breach of League Rules

Please see attached Appendix C for a schedule of charges raised since the last meeting on 2nd February 2017.

Registration's Secretary's Report

The Registration Secretary was not present at the meeting.

The Secretary advised that he had completed a number of last minute registrations prior to the 1st March deadline for registrations together with two further transfers. The final total of players for the season was 1,786.

The Secretary also advised that members of the Management Committee had attended a number of fixtures to complete Match Day Player Verifications. The following Clubs have completed match day registration checks since the last meeting and the Registration Secretary was in the process of checking the details:

- Wing Village Vs MK Gallactico Res. (4th February 2017)
- Clean Slate Res. Vs Stony Stratford Town (25th February 2017)

A reminder that Clubs who are still in semi-finals and / or finals of League Cup Competitions are to pay specific attention to the Rules of those competitions with regards to player eligibility and submission of proposed squad lists for those matches.

Referee's Secretary's Report

The Referee's Secretary advised that he had appointed Officials to the next set of fixtures due for release shortly.

Transfers

The following transfers have been completed since the last meeting:

14.02.17	Adam GARRATT	Towcester Town	to	Hanslope
09.02.17	Ian RUSH	Towcester Town	to	Silverstone
28.02.17	Tom LEONARD	Grendon Rangers	to	Marsh Gibbon
28.02.17	Jason FLOWERS	Grendon Rangers	to	Marsh Gibbon

Fixture's Secretary's Report:

The Fixture's Secretary advised that the next set of fixtures had been completed and sent to the League Secretary for issue to Clubs. The Fixtures Secretary had been working to arrange provisional dates for League Cup finals.

The Fixture's Secretary noted that she was working with the South Midlands League, Marsworth Cup and Oving Village Cup fixtures secretaries to ensure full programmes were fulfilled each week, albeit the South Midlands League were now arranging fixtures on dates previously agreed would be North Bucks League dates.

Abandoned Fixtures:

Tattenhoe Vs Willen: The Secretary advised that he had this afternoon received confirmation from the Berks & Bucks Football Association regarding the outcome of the disciplinary proceedings. It was the decision of the Management Committee that both Willen and Tattenhoe be removed from the Cup Competition as both Clubs had been found guilty of causing the match to be abandoned.

City Colts Vs University of Buckingham: The Secretary advised that the match official had submitted their report to the Berks & Bucks Football Association and any decision on this match would have to wait pending the outcome of the disciplinary procedures.

Marsh Gibbon Res. Vs Deanshanger Athletic: It was the decision of the Management Committee that this fixture be re-scheduled as abandoned due to Player injury.

Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported the following balances:

- Current Account £ 657.37
- Premium Account £ 12,804.71
- Cash / Cheques in Hand £ Nil

The Treasurer noted her concerns as to the financial position of the League. Although at this stage the League was showing a surplus of income over expenditure of £815.00, there would shortly be some large expenditure in particular all of the League medals and finals.

The Secretary noted he would be preparing the next set of invoices on Monday next week, and Mr. Holman would assist with this.

The Treasurer advised that the following Clubs are in credit with the League (subsequently adjusted following invoices being raised and issued for balance of Player Registration Fees):

Yardley Gobion F.C.	£	4.50	Great Linford F.C.	£	20.00
Westbury F.C.	£	4.00			

Any Other Business:

Social Media:

Clubs are reminded that any posts on Social Media (e.g. Twitter, Facebook, Websites) should not relate to other teams, officials etc.... The Football Association takes such posts very seriously and can result in charges being raised against Individuals and / or Clubs. All Clubs have a responsibility to ensure that any such media items are monitored.

Should any Club have any concerns over what is being posted on social media, they can contact the League or go directly to their respective County F.A.

Respect

The League reminds all Clubs and Officials of the FA Respect Programme, and that the North Bucks & District Football League is a designated Respect League. All parties are to ensure that the Respect Programme is followed at all times, in particular the pre-match handshake. A reminder to be sent to all Match Officials to ensure this is carried out.

Trophies

A number of trophies had been returned to the League Management Committee. A reminder to any other Club holding a trophy from last season that this should be returned to the League by 1st March 2017 (i.e. as soon as possible if it hasn't been).

The Treasurer reported that one of the Cups had been taken to County Engravers to be repaired, and it was agreed at the meeting that the reserve Team Challenge Trophy would have a large plate provided that could be engraved each season rather than individual plates.

Finals

The Fixtures Secretary advised that a series of provisional dates had been obtained from Buckingham Athletic F.C. for finals as follows:

- Saturday 8th April 2017;
- Wednesday 19th April 2017;
- Monday 24th April 2017;
- Wednesday 3rd May 2017;
- Saturday 6th May 2017;
- Tuesday 9th May 2017;

The above dates are only provisional and individual finals have not been allocated to any particular date at this stage. The Fixtures Secretary will be working through these subject to the progress of each competition.

Rule Changes

A number of rule changes had been received and noted (proposed and seconded). These would be pulled together by the League Secretary and circulated to Member Clubs and submitted to the Berks & Bucks Football Association for approval in time for the Annual General Meeting in accordance with the League Rules.

Full-Time Capabilities

The capabilities of full-time were discussed (as per the Secretary's meeting), and consideration to trialling Club submitting their own match reports (for League approval) onto full-time would be looked at for next season. Other possibilities was for Clubs to submit the player registration details electronically through full-time (again for League approval) to speed up the registration process. The Secretary would look at the ability for Club Secretary's to be given access to the fulltime system to support this process.

First Aid Courses

The Secretary advised that at the moment, the only Club who had expressed an interest in the first aid courses previously circulated was Wing Village. F.C. The offer for this would run until the end of the season and a proposed date at some-point over the summer being circulated.

Ground Sharing

The Fixtures Secretary expressed her concerns regarding pitch sharing and the issues this is currently causing her in the preparation of League fixtures, scheduling of matches and the number of Clubs queuing to play specific teams at home due to ground sharing restrictions. Consideration would be given to whether this would be permitted in future as a result of this.

Date of Next Meetings:

The date of the next League Management Meeting would be as follows:

- Tuesday 28th March 2017 (Incl. Finals)
- Tuesday 25th April 2017
- Tuesday 23rd May 2017 (Incl. League Formation)
- Thursday 15th June 2017 - Annual General Meeting

There being no further business the Meeting Closed at 22.17 pm.

For and on Behalf of the Management Committee.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Adam P. Jeskins". The signature is written in a cursive style and is enclosed within a simple rectangular border.

A.P. Jeskins BSc(Hons) MRICS MCIOB CEnv CBuildE MCABE MBEng FFB MBII ACMI MRSPH MCIMSPA AMInstLM
Chairman / General Secretary,

5th March 2017



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Appendix A ~ Fines for Breaches of League Rules

As At: 2nd March 2017

Rule 5 (H) Failing to Satisfactorily deal with the Business of the League

The following Clubs are fined £ 20.00:

City Colts	Failing to Submit Team Sheet for Match 19 th November 2016 despite being chased by the League and previously fined for failing to submit the team sheet.
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Rule 11 (B) Failing to Communicate Match Result within 1 ½ Hours of the Final Whistle

The following Clubs are fined £ 20.00 for each occasion:

Stewkley Res.	18 th February 2017
Clean Slate Res.	25 th February 2017



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Appendix B - Fines (for Charges Raised 2nd February 2017)

To: 2nd March 2017

In accordance with Rule 5(D) the following Clubs / Players (through their respective Clubs) are charged with Breaches of League Rules. The following Clubs are required to respond within 7 days of receipt of this notification to reply to the charge as follows:

- (i) Accept the Charge;
- (ii) Accept the Charge and Submit a Case of Mitigation;
- (iii) Deny the Charge;
- (iv) Request to attend in person and put their case before the Management Committee;

Clubs MUST reply to each charge with one of the above options, not later than 7 days from issue of this notification. Failure to respond by this date will result in an additional charge for failing to deal with the business of the League in accordance with Rule 5 (H). Should you be in any doubt please contact the League.

Rule 8 (Q) (i) **Playing an Unregistered or Otherwise Ineligible Player**

The following Clubs are charged as follows:

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|-----|----------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| (a) | Tattenhoe F.C. | 17 th December 2016
Vs Scot F.C.
Unregistered | Player Graham Emmanuel
Won 3-1 |
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It was the decision of the Management Committee that Tattenhoe F.C. be fined the sum of £ 10.00 and the match awarded to Scot F.C.

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| (b) | MK Gallactico F.C. | 28 th January 2017
Vs Duston Dynamo F.C.
Unregistered | Player Zakariva Tritar
Won 2-0 |
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It was the decision of the Management Committee that MK Gallactico F.C. be fined the sum of £ 10.00 and the match awarded to Duston Dynamo F.C.

Rule 10 (F) (i) **Failing to Notify Fixture's Secretary of Cancelled Fixture**

The following Clubs are fined £ 10.00:

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| Tattenhoe | 21 st January 2017 |
| Buckingham United Res. | 21 st January 2017 |
| University of Buckingham | 28 th January 2017 |

Rule 11 (C) **Falsification of a Match Report Form**

The following Clubs are fined £ 30.00:

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| MK Gallactico Res. | 28 th January 2017 |
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Players Ryan Hanley, Joshua Burton and Zakariya Tritar who all took part in the match, yet none of them were listed on the pre-match team sheet provided to the match official or opposition, nor were any of the three listed on the match report form submitted to the League.



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Appendix C - Charges for Breaches of League Rules

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- (v) Accept the Charge;
- (vi) Accept the Charge and Submit a Case of Mitigation;
- (vii) Deny the Charge;
- (viii) Request to attend in person and put their case before the Management Committee;

Clubs MUST reply to each charge with one of the above options, not later than 7 days from issue of this notification. Failure to respond by this date will result in an additional charge for failing to deal with the business of the League in accordance with Rule 5 (H). Should you be in any doubt please contact the League.

Rule 8 (Q) (i) Playing an Unregistered or Otherwise Ineligible Player

The following Clubs are charged as follows:

MK Gallactico F.C.

- Playing an Unregistered or Otherwise Ineligible Player - 14th January 2017

This charge relates to Player Answar Yusef. On his player registration form his date of birth is written as 2nd April 1991. On the pre-match registration check sheet for this match the date of birth has been written as 2nd April 1995.

- Playing an Unregistered or Otherwise Ineligible Player - 4th February 2017

This charge relates to Player Answar Yusef. On his player registration form his date of birth is written as 2nd April 1991. On the pre-match registration check sheet for this match the date of birth has been written as 7th November 1987.

This charge further relates to Player Michal Englman. On his player registration form his date of birth is written as 2nd May 1997. On the pre-match registration check sheet for this match the date of birth has been written as 11th March 1992, and the signature does not match the registration form, just signed Michel.

Rule 10 (F) (i) Failing to Notify Fixture's Secretary of Cancelled Fixture

The following Clubs are charged as follows:

Clean Slate Res.	11 th February 2017
MK Gallactico Res.	11 th February 2017
Padbury Village	11 th February 2017

Rule 10 (F) (i) Failing to Fulfil Fixture

The following Clubs are charged as follows:

City Colts	25 th February 2017
Tattenhoe	25 th February 2017

Rule 10 (B) Failing to Commence Match at the Appointed Time

The following Clubs are charged as follows:

MK Gallactico Res.	7 th January 2017	2.11pm
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Appendix C - Charges for Breaches of League Rules (Cont/d...)

To: 2nd March 2017

Rule 10 (B) Failing to Commence Match at the Appointed Time

The following Clubs are charged as follows:

MK Gallactico Res.	7 th January 2017	2.11pm
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Rule 10 (E) Failing to Commence Match with 11 Players

The following Clubs are charged as follows:

MK Gallactico Res.	7 th January 2017	1 Player Short
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Rule 13 (C) Substitute Acting as an Assistant Match Official (Prem. & Intermediate Only)

The following Clubs are charged as follows:

Silverstone	28 th January 2017
Towcester	28 th January 2017
Stony Stratford Town	25 th February 2017
Yardley Gobion	4 th February 2017
Willen	4 th February 2017
Wicken Sports	4 th February 2017
Great Horwood Res.	4 th February 2017
Clean Slate Res.	4 th February 2017