



# NORTH BUCKS & DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE

## (FOUNDED 1911)



### Minutes of the League Management Meeting

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

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

**Apologies:** N. Holman Esq. (President), B. Stuchbury Esq.,

**Chairman's Opening Address:**

The Chairman duly welcomed all members to the meeting. A minutes silence was held in memory of Peter Hastings who sadly passed away since the last meeting.

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2017:**

The Minutes of the meeting held Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2017, as circulated, were approved and signed as a true record.

**Matter's Arising**

The following amendments were noted from the previous minutes:

- MK Gallactico F.C.                 Fines in Minutes listed as £30.00, however second one should state £ 40.00 - Invoiced Correctly.
- City Colts F.C.                     Fine Listed for Rule 10 (F) - Already Invoiced Previously
- Tattenhoe F.C.                     Fine Listed for Rule 10 (F) - Already Invoiced Previously
- Towcester Town F.C.             The Registration Secretary queried why Towcester Town F.C. had been allowed to play in their Cup Final with outstanding debts, as he recalled that the League as going to write to Towcester Town telling them that unless their fines had been paid, they would not be able to participate in the Final. The Chairman advised that the League Rules do not simply allow us to impose payment dates and suspensions on this basis, and the Rules cover the payment process accordingly. At the time Towcester Town F.C. played in their final, the permitted time for payment had not elapsed, and the Club paid all their fines on the night.

There were no other matters arising that would not be covered by the various Officers' reports.

**Correspondence**

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| Barclays Bank Plc.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Closure of Newport Pagnell Branch                      | Noted        |
| MK Gallactico F.C.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Re: Registration Irregularity                          | Noted        |
| Potterspurty F.C.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | Missing Fixture Vs Great Horwood                       | Actioned BS  |
| Berks & Bucks FA                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Whole Game Player Registration Road Show               | Actioned NA  |
| Middleton Cheney F.C.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Request for Application to League for 2017-2018 Season | Actioned APJ |
| <b>The Chairman noted that this expression of interest had been received after the deadline date, and as such, if Middleton Cheney F.C. wishes to apply to the North Bucks &amp; District Football League for the forthcoming season, it would need approval from Clubs at the Annual General Meeting.</b> |                                                        |              |
| Twyford United F.C.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Request to Enter a Reserve Team for 2017-2018 Season   | Noted        |
| Deanshanger Athletic F.C.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  | Query over Fixture                                     | Noted        |
| MK Gallactico F.C.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Query over Charge and Punishment                       | Noted        |

### Correspondence Received (Cont/d...)

Grendon Rangers F.C.	Fixture from Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	Noted
	<b>It was the decision of the Management Committee that £ 21.50 would be reimbursed to the Club by the League.</b>	
Berks & Bucks F.A.	Standard Code of Rules for Season 2017- 2018	Noted
MK Wanderers F.C.	Query over Fines for Semi-Final Team List Submission	Noted
F. Ahmad Esq.	Re: Hanslope Vs Silverstone Fixture Abandonment	Noted
Stony Stratford Town F.C.	Correspondence Regarding Fixture Vs Wing Village F.C.	Actioned BS
Potterspurty F.C.	Query Regarding Abandoned Fixture - Hanslope Vs Silverstone	Actioned BS
Duston Dynamo F.C.	Confirmation of Entry for 2017 - 2018 Season & request to Enter Goral Barnes Cup Competition	Noted
	<b>It was the decision of the Management Committee that Duston Dynamo could enter the Goral Barnes Cup on the proviso that the competition is staggered and not as planned this season with a number of consecutive weeks where they would not be able to participate in any North Bucks &amp; District Football League fixtures.</b>	
Willen F.C.	Request for League Presence at Tattenhoe Fixture	Noted
C. Howkins Esq.	Query regarding provision of refreshments at League Finals	Noted
	<b>It was the decision of the Management Committee that refreshments would continue to be provided for this seasons finals, however this would be reviewed for next seasons finals due to Clubs not remaining at the ground to eat them and them going to waste.</b>	

### 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: £ 8.90**

**Outstanding Fines**

As At: 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017:

**Invoices Issued 24<sup>th</sup> October 2016 - Payments Due 14<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

Stony Stratford Town F.C. £ 5.50 (Reg. Fees)

**Total Outstanding £ 5.50**

**Invoices Issued 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2017 - Payments Due 24<sup>th</sup> January 2017**

Scot F.C. £ 50.00 **Doubled to £ 100.00 on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

Stony Stratford Town F.C. £ 40.00 **Doubled to £ 80.00 on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

**Total Outstanding £ 90.00**

**Invoices Issued 6<sup>th</sup> March 2017 - Payments Due 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017**

Hanslope F.C. £ 8.00 (Reg. Fees)

Scot F.C. £ 4.00 (Reg. Fees)

Silverstone F.C. £ 3.00 (Reg. Fees)

Stony Stratford Town F.C. £ 22.00 (£ 2.00 Reg. Fees)

**Total Outstanding £ 37.00**

**Invoices Issued 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017 - Payments Due 26<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

MK Wanderers F.C. £ 20.00

Padbury Village F.C. £ 10.00

Scot F.C. £ 30.00

Silverstone F.C.	£	5.00
Stony Stratford Town F.C.	£	40.00
Tattenhoe F.C.	£	20.00
Willen F.C.	£	5.00
<b>Total Outstanding</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>130.00</b>

**Overall Total Outstanding** £ 262.50 As At 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017

#### **Fines for Breach of League Rules**

Notification of fines raised since the last meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> March 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 28<sup>th</sup> March 2017.

#### **Registration's Secretary's Report**

The Registration Secretary advised that he had no issues to report; no further registrations had been received as it was past the deadline date for registrations. The final total of players for the season was 1,802.

The Registration 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 had checked and confirmed there were no irregularities:

- Marsh Gibbon Vs Stewkley (1<sup>st</sup> April 2017)
- Scot Vs City Colts (Division One Cup Final) (8<sup>th</sup> April 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.

The Registration Secretary advised that all match report sheets had been received and inputted onto Full-Time, however following the meeting it was discovered that this was not the case and fines have been subsequently issued.

#### **Transfers**

No Further Transfers due to being past the deadline.

#### **Referee's Secretary's Report**

The Referee's Secretary advised that he had appointed Officials to the last set of fixtures, which had been issued, together with the Cup Final Appointments.

The Referee's Secretary advised that there were currently a number of referee's out with injuries and was currently struggling with evening appointments as a result of this.

The Secretary would send a link to the Referee's Secretary for FA Full-Time to allow Officials to be updated and referee marks to be reviewed.

The Referee's Secretary noted that Mr. C. Ball (Match Official and Yardley Gobion F.C.) has expressed an interest in serving on the Management Committee. The Chairman noted that he would make contact accordingly prior to the Annual General Meeting.

#### **Fixture's Secretary's Report:**

The Fixture's Secretary advised that the last set of fixtures had been completed and sent to the League Secretary, and issued to Clubs. The Fixtures Secretary advised that all Cup Finals had been scheduled accordingly and all Clubs written to.

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:

Hanslope Vs Silverstone (Premier Division)      8<sup>th</sup> April 2017      Report Awaited

The Chairman noted that Mr. Holman had chased the Berks & Bucks County F.A. and the Northamptonshire F.A. to see if any reports had been received by them to action. Neither association had received anything. The Chairman confirmed that he had chased the Match Official off the back of the replies from the County F.A. to chase reports for a decision to be made in connection with this match.

City Colts Vs University of Buckingham (Division 1)      Hearing Due 4<sup>th</sup> May

The Chairman advised that he had received confirmation from the Berks & Bucks County F.A. that the hearing would take place on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2017 for this fixture. The Management Committee agreed that since this fixture would not affect the League Tables, it would not be replayed, and deemed null and void as far as the League tables were concerned.

### Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported the following balances:

• Current Account	£ 1,842.54	Direct Payments	£ 260.00
• Premium Account	£ 10,604.71	Paid In	£ 1,200.00
• Cash / Cheques in Hand	£ 243.30	Expenditure	£ 3,914.39 (Expenses, Trophies, Finals)

The Treasurer noted at this stage the League was showing a decrease in Income over Expenditure of £ 221.88, however this should be turned into an increase by the time the League's books close.

The Secretary noted he would be preparing the next set of invoices on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

The Treasurer advised that the following Clubs are in credit with the League (subsequently adjusted following invoices being raised and issued:

Great Linford F.C.	£ 1.00	Scot F.C.	£ 5.00
Yardley Gobion F.C.	£ 19.50		
Wing Village F.C.	£ 3.00		

The Treasurer advised the following updates from the finals held so far:

Income:	Premier Division	£ 360.00
	Division One	£ 313.00
	Division Two	£ 298.30
Expenditure:	Referees	£ 165.00
	Buckingham Ath.	£ 275.00
<b>Current Surplus Raised for Charity:</b>		<b>£ 531.30</b>

### Closure of Books

The date for the closure of the League's books for the 2016 - 2017 season would be Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

### 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.

## **Trophy Repairs**

The Treasurer advised that a number of trophies had been taken to County Engravers for repairs as follows:

- Division One Cup: Being cleaned due to the condition returned in by Padbury Village F.C. Cost to be forwarded to the Club once known. **Update: £ 20.00 to be invoiced to Padbury Village F.C.**

## **Finals**

The Fixtures Secretary reminded that the remaining finals were as follows:

- Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2017 - Reserve Team Challenge Trophy;
- Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2017 - Intermediate Division;
- Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2017 - Interdivisional Trophy;

The Management Committee expressed their concern over the flares that had been brought along to the Towcester Town Vs Silverstone Final by the Silverstone spectators which was not an acceptable behaviour.

## **Outstanding Trophies**

The following trophies, which should have been returned by 1<sup>st</sup> March 2017 are still outstanding. The following trophies to be returned to a member of the Management Committee as soon as possible:

Intermediate Division: League: MK Gallactico Cup: MK Gallactico

Mr. Fenner kindly offered to collect the trophies from MK Gallactico F.C.

## **Gifts:**

The Management Committee agreed to obtain a gift to the value of £ 75.00 for Mr. Jonathan Townsend for his work administering the League Website.

The Management Committee agreed to a donation of £ 50.00 in respect of Mr. Peter Hastings. This would be forwarded to the Funeral Directors for passing on to the respective Charity.

## **League President:**

It was intimated that Mr. Holman had expressed that he would be resigning from the position of League President. The Chairman would make contact with Mr. Holman to discuss this.

## **Tattenhoe F.C.**

The Management Committee noted a number of complaints had been received from Clubs regarding Tattenhoe F.C. , albeit there had not been any issues when the Club were being observed by the Management Committee members. The Club would be considered to be on probation for the forthcoming season as a result.

## **Buckingham United F.C.**

Mr. Aldren noted that Buckingham United F.C. had submitted to the Berks & Bucks County F.A. for Charter Standard Club status which was good news for the Club and the League. Mr. Aldren further noted that the Club were also looking to progress their U18's and women's sections.

## **Charter Standard League Update:**

Mr. Aldren noted that he had attended a meeting regarding Charter Standard League's. It was noted that the North Bucks & District Football League was not currently a Charter Standard League as it did not have the required number of Charter Standard Clubs in membership. The current criteria was that 60% of Clubs were awarded Charter Standard Status on application, with 85% of Clubs having achieved the standard within 3 years.

## **Date of Next Meetings:**

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

- Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2017 (Incl. League Formation)
- Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2017 - Annual General Meeting

Mr. McStraw gave his apologies for the next meeting on 30<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

There being no further business the Meeting Closed at 21.59 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 underlined with a single horizontal line.

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

27<sup>th</sup> May 2017



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## Appendix A ~ Fines to be Issued for Breaches of League Rules

As At: 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017

### Rule 11(A)

#### Failing to Submit Match Report Sheets

The following Clubs are fined £ 10.00 for each occasion:

Silverstone F.C.	14 <sup>th</sup> January 2017
MK Wanderers F.C.	25 <sup>th</sup> February 2017
Clean Slate F.C.	8 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
MK Gallactico F.C.	15 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
Silverstone F.C.	22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2017
Scot F.C.	22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2017
Padbury Village F.C.	22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2017
Tattenhoe F.C. Res.	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
Silverstone F.C.	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
City Colts F.C.	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2017
Buckingham United F.C.	29 <sup>th</sup> April 2017





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### Appendix B - Fines (for Charges Raised 28<sup>th</sup> March 2017)

To: 25<sup>th</sup> April 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:

- (i) Stewkley Res. F.C. 11<sup>th</sup> March 2017 - Stuart Smith  
Played in Match But Not Eligible to Play - Lost

**It was the decision of the Management Committee that Stewkley F.C. be fined the sum of £10.00.**

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

The following Clubs are fined £ 50.00:

University of Buckingham F.C.	4 <sup>th</sup> March 2017
Towcester Town F.C.	18 <sup>th</sup> March 2017
Great Linford Res. F.C.	18 <sup>th</sup> March 2017
University of Buckingham F.C.	18 <sup>th</sup> March 2017
University of Buckingham F.C.	25 <sup>th</sup> March 2017
Great Linford Res. F.C.	25 <sup>th</sup> March 2017

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

The following Clubs are fined £ 10.00:

City Colts F.C.	4 <sup>th</sup> March 2017
Great Linford Res. F.C.	4 <sup>th</sup> March 2017
Tattenhoe Res. F.C.	4 <sup>th</sup> March 2017

#### **Trophy Rule 4 Conflict on Players List for Cup Semi-Final**

The following Clubs are fined £ 10.00:

- (i) Hanslope Res. F.C. 18<sup>th</sup> March 2017 - Callum Ahktar  
Player Not Listed on List of Squad Players

#### **Trophy Rule 4 Failing to Submit Squad List for Cup Semi-Finals**

The following Clubs are fined £ 10.00:

Steeple Claydon Res. F.C.	18 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	List Received 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2017
Deanshanger Athletic Res. F.C.	25 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	List Received 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2017
MK Wanderers F.C.	25 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	List Received 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2017
Hanslope F.C.	25 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	List Received 19 <sup>th</sup> March 2017
Towcester Town F.C.	25 <sup>th</sup> March 2017	List Received 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2017



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### Appendix C - Charges for Breaches of League Rules

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

The following Clubs are charged as follows:

- (i) MK Gallactico F.C. 4<sup>th</sup> March 2017 - 3 x Players -  
Covenant Boatang, Ronald Kobi, Michael Ijeh  
Played in Match but Not Eligible to Play as signed on after the  
deadline for Registrations

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

The following Clubs are charged as follows:

- |                           |                             |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Padbury Village F.C.      | 1 <sup>st</sup> April 2017  |
| Brackley Sports Res. F.C. | 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2017 |
| Great Linford Res. F.C.   | 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2017 |
| Tattenhoe Res. F.C.       | 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2017 |

#### **Trophy Rule 4 Failing to Submit Squad List for Cup Semi-Finals / Finals**

The following Clubs are charged as follows:

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|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| City Colts F.C.                | 8 <sup>th</sup> April 2017  | List Received 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2017  |
| Deanshanger Athletic Res. F.C. | 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2017 | List Received 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2017 |
| Hanslope Res. F.C.             | 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2017 | List Not Received                         |
| MK Wanderers Res.              | 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2017 | List Received 10 <sup>th</sup> April 2017 |
| City Colts F.C.                | 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2017 | List Nor Received                         |