



# NORTH BUCKS & DISTRICT FOOTBALL LEAGUE

## (FOUNDED 1911)



**Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

**Present:** Mick McStraw (Chairman), Tony Skeggs (Secretary), Mrs. Brenda Sprules (Treasurer), Nick Aldren (Registration Secretary), Chris Ball (Fixture Secretary), John Fenner (Vice-Chairman), John Hedge (Referees Secretary), Dave McGwyre (Results Secretary), and Brian Stuchbury.

**Apologies:** Marcelle Turner.

**Chairman's Opening Address:** The chairman informed the committee that Pete Busby's mother had died. League to send a card.

**Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on** Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2018, as circulated, were approved and signed as a true record.

**Matter's Arising:**

- Steve Ring listed under transfers, no payment received.
- Rescinded fines – Clean Slate FC, Hanslope FC and Silverstone FC – no notification, provided evidence etc.
- Robert Fry ex New City Stars FC has not made his payment yet. Signed for Clean Slate FC. – Now paid.

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

**Correspondence Received – Email unless stated.**

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| • Milton Keynes RA – Advertising next meeting and asking for referees to attend.          | Noted.            |
| • The FA – Various emails on Grassroots Bulletin.   | No action needed. |
| • Chris Ball – Deanshanger Athletic FC had paid him in full. Thanks to Wills Latimer.     | No action needed. |
| • Clean Slate FC – Querying unpaid fine from December meeting.                            | Sec. Responded.   |
| • Duston Dynamo FC – Thanking the league for their letter re their County Cup semi-final. | Noted.            |
| • Silverstone FC – Querying fine from January meeting                                     | Sec. Responded.   |
| • Towcester Town FC – Requesting permission to register a United Counties player.         | Denied.           |
| • Buckingham United FC – Copy of pitch hire invoice for cancelled game.                   | Sec. Responded.   |
| • FilmMyMatch – Company offering to film Cup Finals for £300.                             | Noted.            |
| • The FA – Copy of letter to Tattenhoe FC informing them of the FAs decision              | Noted.            |
| • Yardley Gobion FC – Report on a referee at a recent game.                               | See Referees.     |
| • The FA – Copy of letter to Tattenhoe FC, payment not due until end of season.           | Noted.            |
| • Southcott Village FC – Requesting permission to play last 2 home games on 4G pitch.     | See Fixtures.     |

Conduct Issues – None.

**Registration's Secretary's Report**

- Registrations to Date & Confirmations – 1,551 registered for the season, compared to 1,801 in 2016/17.
- Ashley Jackson registered for Towcester Town FC, previously with disbanded Cage Athletic FC paid £5.40
- Robert Fry MDR for Clean Slate FC, previously with disbanded New City Stars FC paid £10.00.
- Registration Verifications –
  - 20<sup>th</sup> January                 Stony Stratford v Great Horwood Reserves.
  - 27<sup>th</sup> January                 Old Bradwell v AFC Santander.
  - 10<sup>th</sup> February                Great Linford Reserves v Wing Village Reserves.
  - 17<sup>th</sup> February                Great Linford v Great Horwood.
- 6<sup>th</sup> January                 Division Two Cup - Tattenhoe Reserves v Twyford Reserves. Twyford Reserves played four players who had not played the required number of games to be eligible for the semi-final. Fined as per rule.

**Transfers**

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|-------------------|---|----------------|------------------|
| - Stuart Pearce   | Buckingham United FC to Padbury United FC | Effective from | 12 February 2018 |
| - Shane Pearce    | Buckingham United FC to Padbury United FC | Effective from | 12 February 2018 |
| - Brandon Sanders | Bletchley Park FC to Tattenhoe FC         | Effective from | 16 February 2018 |
| - Ben Oxley       | Buckingham United to Twyford FC           | Effective from | 21 February 2018 |
| - Tony Gibbard    | Padbury United FC to Twyford FC           | Effective from | 27 February 2018 |
| - Jason Davies    | Steeple Claydon FC to Padbury FC          | Effective from | 28 February 2018 |
| - Nathan Davies   | Steeple Claydon FC to Padbury FC          | Effective from | 28 February 2018 |

**NOTE – NO MORE REGISTRATIONS or TRANSFERS THIS SEASON AS THE DEADLINE HAS PASSED.**

**Results Secretary's Report**

- Match Report Sheets  
Clubs are reminded that all parts of the report sheet must be completed. Otherwise you will be fined.
- Thanks to Nick and Marcelle for their help in getting report sheets entered. Now up to date albeit there were a few September sheets being chased.
- 10<sup>th</sup> February – Match Report Sheet not received – Steeple Claydon, Tattenhoe and Wing (\*2). Fined £10.00. Tattenhoe's sheet was still outstanding.

**Referee's Secretary's Report**

- Okay for referees so long as no more get injured before the end of the season.

- The referee reported by Yardley Gobion just needed to gain more experience and not let spectators etc. influence decisions. All referee's need to be encouraged as the league cannot afford to lose any.
- Fines
- Match Report Sheets
- 10<sup>th</sup> February - Substitutes as Assistants – Brackley Sports FC.
- 17<sup>th</sup> February - Substitutes as Assistants – Potterspurys Reserves and Yardley Gobion.
- 17<sup>th</sup> February - Substitutes as Assistants – Silverstone.
- 24<sup>th</sup> February - Failure to Pay Referee – Potterspurys Reserves.
- Sportsmanship
- 10<sup>th</sup> February – Brackley Sports v Duston Dynamos. Both sides marked 10/10 for sportsmanship.
- 10<sup>th</sup> February – Tattenhoe v Newport Pagnell Athletic. Both sides marked 10/10 for sportsmanship.

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

- There have been 131 postponements so far this season, which means the season will be extended by a week with more evening matches. Fixtures on the FT system were being interfered with by persons unknown. Chris had asked the FA for an audit trail of a particular incident, hopefully, that will reveal the person. It might be a case that all current passwords will need to be reset. The process of pitch inspections was working well.
- Thanks to
- Letter sent to Duston Dynamos congratulating them on reaching the County Cup semi-final on the 24<sup>th</sup> February.
- Hanslope FC for seeking out an alternative pitch once they knew theirs would not be fit enough to play.
- Great Linford FC – to be nominated for next monthly award.
- MK Wanderers FC for agreeing to hold double headers.
- Cancelled Matches
- 3<sup>rd</sup> February – MK Wanderers v Wing Reserves.
- Cancelled by Wing Reserves due to a shortage of players. Game awarded to MK Wanderers and Wing fined as per rule.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> February –Potterspurys v Padbury.
- Cancelled by Padbury (2<sup>nd</sup> offence) due to illness amongst the players. Game awarded to Potterspurys and Padbury fined as per rule.
- 10<sup>th</sup> February –Yardley Gobion Reserves v Brackley Sports Reserves.
- Cancelled by Brackley Sports Reserve (4<sup>th</sup> offence) due to shortage of players. Game awarded to Yardley Gobion Reserves and Brackley Sports Reserves fined as per rule. Additional fine for 4<sup>th</sup> offence.
- 24<sup>th</sup> February – Tattenhoe v Padbury.
- Cancelled by Padbury (3<sup>rd</sup> offence) due to shortage of players. Game awarded to Tattenhoe and Padbury fined as per rule.
- Fines
- 10<sup>th</sup> February - Failure to confirm fixture with referee – Twyford FC.
- 24<sup>th</sup> February – Failure to inform the league of cancelled match – Steeple Claydon FC.

#### Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer reported the following balances:

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| • Current Account        | £ 2,437.79  | Direct Payments | £ 423.90                      |
| • Premium Account        | £ 10,206.50 | Paid In         | £ 145.00                      |
| • Cash / Cheques in Hand | £ 0.00      | Expenditure     | £ 61.00 See below for details |

Expenditure:

- Payments to League Officers - Printer Cartridges £61.00

**Current Outstanding Fines:** £50 fine as per rule 5(I). Payment Due By: 22<sup>nd</sup> February  
As At 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2018 - £87.00

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| - Silverstone FC | £17.00        |                |
| - Stewkley FC    | £5.00         |                |
| - Tattenhoe FC   | <u>£65.00</u> | Has been paid. |

The following clubs still owe for player registrations up to the 30 September:

City Colts £2.00, Silverstone £2.00, and Stony Stratford £3.00.

Player registrations from October to February would be sent out shortly, prompt payment will be required.

#### Clubs in Credit:

Great Horwood FC £2.50, Great Linford FC £1.00, Marsh Gibbon FC £15.00, Olney FC £2.00, Padbury Village FC £1.00, Potterspurys FC 50p, Southcott RA FC £4.50, Steeple Claydon FC £95.00, Towcester Town FC £3.00, Willen FC £2.00 and Yardley Gobion FC £2.00.

Brenda had ordered the trophies, 338 @ £9 each, and she had bought some samples for the Man of the Match awards. John Fenner was volunteered to be the MotM adjudicator at the finals.

#### Any Other Business:

##### **Finals:**

These would be held at Roade FC, Stony Stratford FC and Brackley Town FC. Dates and cup competitions to be decided as the finalists become known. Admission would remain at £2 with programme. It was asked should the final proceeds not go into the league funds rather than being donated to charity. No decision was made.

- Kick Off Times:** Now that we were in March, **KICK OFF** times were now **3 o'clock** for league and 2.30pm for cups.
- Wing FC Pavilion:** Wing FC had had a leak in their pavilion roof that had brought the ceiling down in the central section. There was currently no electricity or water available, so would be out of action for the weekend of the 10<sup>th</sup> March. Could a double header against Great Linford the following week be considered? Two matches of 1 hour each.
- Tattenhoe FC:** Tattenhoe FC had been found guilty and fined by The FA for playing an unregistered senior player from Dagenham & Redbridge FC. The league could now apply their fines:
- Rule 8(b) – Failing to correctly register a player - £15.00
  - Rule 8(q) – Playing an eligible player - £50.00
  - Rule 11(c) – Submitting a falsified match report sheet - £30.00
- Return of Trophies:** Last season's league, cup and award trophies should have been returned by the 1<sup>st</sup> March. The following clubs are fined as per rule 18(b). They should be returned immediately.
- Division One City Colts
  - Division Two Hanslope
  - Interdivisional Great Horwood
  - Premier Challenge Great Horwood
  - Intermediate Challenge Willen
  - Division One Challenge City Colts
  - Derek Cannings Award AFC Santander
  - Bob Mayes Award Yardley Gobion

**Date of Next Meetings:**

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

- Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at Great Horwood Cricket Club

There was no other business and the meeting closed at 9.35 pm.

For and on Behalf of the Management Committee.

**M.McStraw**  
Chairman

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

As At: 10<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Response / Payment Required by: 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018

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 (B)**

**Failing to Correctly Register a Player**

The following Clubs are fined as follows: £15.00.

Tattenhoe FC 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2017 – Luke Pennell  
Played in match but not registered to play.

**Rule 8 (Q) (i)**

**Playing an Unregistered or Otherwise Ineligible Player**

The following Clubs are fined as follows: £50.00.

Tattenhoe FC 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2017 – Luke Pennell  
Played in match but not eligible to play.

- Rule 10 (F) (i) Failing to Fulfil Fixture**  
The following Clubs are fined £ 50.00:
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| Wing Reserves FC                                      | 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2018  |
| Padbury FC (2 <sup>nd</sup> offence)                  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> February 2018  |
| Brackley Sports Reserves FC (4 <sup>th</sup> offence) | 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 |
| Padbury FC (3 <sup>rd</sup> offence)                  | 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 |
- Rule 10 (D) Failing to Confirm Fixture with Match Official**  
The following Clubs are fined £ 10.00:
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| Twyford FC | 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 |
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- Rule 10 (D) Failing to Notify the League of Cancellation**  
The following Clubs are fined £ 10.00:
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| Steeple Claydon FC | 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 |
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- Rule 11 (A) Failing to Submit a Match Report Sheet**  
The following Clubs are fined as follows: £10.00.
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| (i) Steeple Claydon FC     | 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 |
| (ii) Tattenhoe FC          | 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 |
| (iii) Wing FC (Both Teams) | 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 |
- Rule 11 (C) Submitting a Falsified Match Report Sheet**  
The following Clubs are fined as follows: £30.00.
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| (iv) Tattenhoe FC | 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2017 – Luke Pennell<br>Played in match but named on match result sheet. |
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- Rule 13 (C) Failing to Provide a Referees Assistant / Substitute as Assistant.**  
The following Clubs are fined as follows: £5.00.
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| (i) Brackley Sports FC  | 10 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 |
| (ii) Potterspurty FC    | 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 |
| (iii) Yardley Gobion FC | 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 |
| (iv) Silverstone FC     | 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 |
- Rule 13 (E) Failing to Pay Official.**  
The following Clubs are fined as follows: £20.00.
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| (i) Potterspurty Reserves FC | 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2018 |
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- Rule 18 (B) Failure to Return League Trophy On or Before 1<sup>st</sup> March.**  
The following Clubs are fined as follows: £25.00.
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| (i) City Colts FC (*2)     |  |
| (ii) Great Horwood FC (*2) |  |
| (iii) Willen FC            |  |
| (iv) Yardley Gobion FC     |  |
- Rule 24 (B) Committing the Same Offence on More than Three Occasions.**  
The following Clubs are fined as follows: £20.00.
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| (v) Brackley Sports Reserves FC | Now reached 4 cancelled matches |
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- Trophy Rule 9 Playing an Unregistered or Otherwise Ineligible Player.**  
The following Clubs are fined as follows: £50.00.
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| (i) Twyford FC | 6 <sup>th</sup> January 2018 |
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