



BEDFORDSHIRE COUNTY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

PRESIDENT: MR T. SADLER

HON GENERAL SECRETARY: MR G. B. SNELSON

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AGENDA: MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY 4TH JANUARY 2018

7pm at Elstow Playing Field Pavilion, Wilstead Road, Elstow MK42 9YD

MEMBERS PRESENT: Messrs TM Sadler [President], BT Watson [Chairman and Treasurer], P Francis [Vice-Chairman, Registration and Media Secretary], B Hallybone, K Redman, PJ Onion, GB Snelson [General and Fixture Secretary].

CLUB REPRESENTATIVES: Mr R Simmonds [Elstow Abbey FC and League Charter Standard Coordinator], G Ingerson [AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College], D Gauntlett [Shefford Town and Campton FC]. **APOLOGIES:** Messrs John Warner, [Life Vice President, BCFL], Alan Scott [League Representative on Bedfordshire FA], **BEDFORDSHIRE FA REPRESENTATIVE:** Josh Spavins [Footbal Development Officer, North, Bedfordshire FA]. **ABSENT:** Mr B Humphries [Referee Secretary]..

1. PREVIOUS MEETING

- ❖ The minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on 7th December 2017 were signed as a true record. The date applicable to fine 2017.12-15 was corrected to 11th November 2017, see item 4 below.

2. MATTERS ARISING

- ❖ None that are not covered elsewhere.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

- ❖ Various items of correspondence were listed for information. All those requiring action or for information are recorded elsewhere in these minutes. These included various minutes and notices from Beds FA. Again, those requiring action by, or special information to, the League are covered elsewhere in these minutes. Otherwise correspondence is available on request to the General Secretary. All other correspondence is included in the items below.
- ❖ **The Football Association:**
 - Promotion applications Step 7 to Step 6. None this season from BCFL Clubs.
 - NLS potential lateral movement of Clubs at the end of this season. Distributed to all Clubs.
 - Leagues Committee briefing notes for December 2017
- ❖ **Bedfordshire Football Association:**
 - Referee report re unacceptable behaviour from Ickwell & Old Warden FC towards Referee. With Beds FA for any action.
- ❖ **Westoning FC** – formal complaint. Matter continuing.
- ❖ **AFC Oakley M&DH** – facility problems at Wixams. Noted.
- ❖ **Crawley Green FC Reserves** – appeal to Beds FA. No further information available at present.
- ❖ **Ickwell & Old Warden FC** – appeal to Beds FA. No further information available at present.
- ❖ Goalmouth – a football betting app. Noted, no further action.
- ❖ Northants Combination – December 2017 minutes. Received with thanks.
- ❖ Luton Borough Council – Leagrave Park Sports Pavilion: major vandalism has taken place and the building is currently unusable. Likely be out of use for at least January 2018 due to the scale of the repairs needed. Noted, pitches to be reallocated.
- ❖ **The 61FC [Luton]** – letter of appreciation for grant towards repair of Clubhouse roof. Received with pleasure.

4. FINANCE

- ❖ The following Clubs have still not reimbursed the League for the following amounts relating to Luton Borough Council Park pitch hire, plus the additional £15 as per rule:
 - **Black Swan:** 2017.11-B and 2017.12-01
 - **Sundon Park Rovers:** 2017.11-C and 2017.12-02
- ❖ **Both Clubs have to Wednesday 10th January 2018 [allowing for the Christmas period] to pay the outstanding money in full. Failure to do so will result in the fixtures for both Clubs being suspended. After the 10th January, the next available date for reinstatement of fixtures is Sunday 14th January 2018.**
 - **LUTON BOROUGH COUNCIL PITCH PAYMENTS for November 2017.** These have been paid by the League. The following Clubs must reimburse the League by the due date, **see item 15 below, references 2018.01-A to -D**

TEAM	DATE	LOCATION	FEE
Black Swan (Luton)	04 November 2017	Ickneild Rec	£48.45
Black Swan (Luton)	18 November 2017	Ickneild Rec	£48.45
Black Swan (Luton)	25 November 2017	Ickneild Rec	£48.45
TOTAL			£145.35
Harlington FC	11 November 2017	Leagrave Park	£48.45
Harlington FC	25 November 2017	Leagrave Park	£48.45
TOTAL			£96.90
Luton Leagrave AFC	11 November 2017	Leagrave Park	£48.45
TOTAL			£48.45
Sundon Park Rovers	04 November 2017	Leagrave Park	£48.45
Sundon Park Rovers	18 November 2017	Leagrave Park	£48.45
Sundon Park Rovers	25 November 2017	Leagrave Park	£48.45
TOTAL			£145.35

- ❖ Outstanding payments from December minutes:

REF	CLUB	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FINE	POINTS	RULE	DUE DATE
2017.12-05	Flitwick Town Reserves	25 November 2017	Failure to notify opponents/referee	£15		10-D: 05-D	03 January 2018
2017.12-07	Stevington Reserves	02 December 2017	Failure to fulfill a fixture [Sat 1st]	£25	-1	10-F	03 January 2018
2017.12-D	Black Swan [Luton]	31 October 2017	Reimbursement to League for October 2017 pitch costs to Luton Borough Council	£96.90			03 January 2018
2017.12-E	Sundon Park Rovers	31 October 2017	Reimbursement to League for October 2017 pitch costs to Luton Borough Council	£96.90			03 January 2018
2017.12-08	Black Swan [Luton]	25 November 2017	Failure to report result by deadline	£15		11-B	03 January 2018
2017.12-15	Queens Park Crescents	11 November 2017	Failure to complete online Match Notification by deadline	£15		11-C	03 January 2018
2017.12-17	Westoning	04 November 2017	Incorrect match result sheet not relating to the names of players	£10		11-C	03 January 2018
2017.12-20	Crawley Green Reserves	25 November 2017	Playing unregistered/ineligible player	#£20	-1	08-C, 08-O	03 January 2018
# Crawley Green Reserves fine subject to appeal but should have been paid on time and adjusted if necessary following appeal. No additional fine on this occasion.							
2017.12-21	Stevington Reserves	11 November 2017	Playing unregistered/ineligible player	£20	-1	08-C, 08-O	03 January 2018

- ❖ Except where shown, all above Clubs fined an additional £15 as per rule 5[I], **see item 15 below, references 2018.01-01 to -08 inclusive.**

5. TROPHIES & MEMENTOES

- ❖ Nothing to report.

6. TRANSFERS

- Marchin Prokop White Eagles to AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College.
- Jamie Warne Wootton Blue Cross to Crawley Green Reserves.
- Ross Milton Marston Shelton Rovers to Wootton Village.

- ❖ All the above transfers agreed.

7. ALTERATIONS TO HANDBOOK

- ❖ **Biggleswade FC Reserves:** Secretary Lee Rusbridge Tel: 07981 78903 Email: BiggleswadeFC@outlook.com
- ❖ **League Chairman/Treasurer Mr BT Watson:** new contact details – 6 Hookhams Lane, Renhold MK41 0JT tel 01234 771030

8. REFEREE SECRETARY REPORT & REFEREEING MATTERS

- ❖ Payment to Referee Ryan Larkin re pitch inspection at Icknield Rec for **Black Swan [Luton]**. Referee entitled to half fee [£15]. League to pay referee – Club to reimburse League, **see item 15 below, reference 2018.01-E**
- ❖ From **Shefford Town & Campton** re positive remarks about referee Chris Parperi. Noted with pleasure.
- ❖ **Renhold United** – 23rd December 2017: low referee mark – no accompanying report as required by rule 13[H].

9. FIXTURE REPORT

- ❖ Free Dates:
 - **Crawley Green Reserves** 6th January 2018. Previously agreed.
 - **Sharnbrook** 13th January 2018. Agreed.
 - **Lea Sports PSG** 6th January 2018 – unable to grant free date: insufficient notice. Request then withdrawn.
 - **Sandy** 24th February 2018. Agreed.
 - **Wixams Wanderers** 10th February 2018. Agreed.
- ❖ **Matches not played:**
- ❖ Saturday 30th December 2017 : Premier Division supported by Sportsform. **Kempston Rovers Development** v Shefford Town & Campton. Kempston Rovers Development unable to raise a side.
 - Match points [3] awarded to Shefford Town & Campton, score 0-0. Kempston Rovers Development fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2018.-1-09** and deducted one [1] match point.
- ❖ **THE FOLLOWING ARE STANDARD DECISIONS AS PER RULE REQUIRING RATIFICATION BY FULL COMMITTEE:**
- ❖ **Westoning** 16th December 2017: Division Two - failed to confirm match with referee [reported by Beds FA]
 - Club fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2018.01-10**
- ❖ **Dinamo Flitwick** 16th December 2017: Division Three - failed to confirm match with referee [reported by Beds FA]
 - Club fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2018.01-11**
- ❖ **Crawley Green Reserves** 23rd December 2017: Premier Division - failed to confirm match with referee [reported by Beds FA]
 - Club fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2018.01-12**

10. REGISTRATIONS, RESULTS, PRESS & MEDIA SECRETARY REPORT

- ❖ Reminder email League Rule 11[C] : Reporting of Result Sheets onto Full Time
 - Tuesday 5th December. Reminder sent to 9clubs/ 11teams. 1 club failed to comply by deadline date.
 - Tuesday 12th December. Reminder sent to 6 clubs/ 7 teams. All complied by deadline date.

- Tuesday 19th December. Reminder sent to 6 clubs/ 8teams. 1 club failed to comply by deadline date.
- Tuesday 26th December. Reminder sent to 2 clubs. Both complied by deadline date.
- ❖ Whole Game Registration System: The bug reported on August 7th 2017 regarding pending players file still not resolved.
- ❖ Registrations Total at Midday Saturday 30th December : **2157**
- ❖ **THE FOLLOWING ARE STANDARD DECISIONS AS PER RULE REQUIRING RATIFICATION BY FULL COMMITTEE:**
- ❖ **Black Swan [Luton]:** In breach of league rule 11[C] in failing to load onto Full Time by the deadline of midnight Wednesday 6th December 2017 their result sheet for game played on Saturday 2nd December 2017 against Lidlington United Sports. Report notice issued to club by email on Thursday 7th December 2017. Result sheet loaded Thursday 7th December 2017 missing referee mark. Result sheet completed Friday 8th December yet referee marked zero.
 - Black Swan [Luton] fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2018.01-13**
- ❖ **Black Swan [Luton]:** In breach of league rule 11[A] in failing to exchange within the required time period a team sheet with Wootton Village for their game on Saturday 16th December 2017. Club also requested to explain the discrepancies between that teamsheet and their loaded result sheet on Full Time and possible breach of rule 11[C]. Charge notice issued to club by email on Tuesday 19th December 2017. Club replied Wednesday 20th December 2017 accepting breach of rule 11[A] and explaining reasons for the incorrect result which was corrected by the deadline date thus it's recommended no breach of rules as taken place.
 - Black Swan [Luton] fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2018.01-14**
- ❖ **Crawley Green Reserves:** Subject to a Beds FA charge against Telmo Jesus who was serving an " all football suspension" when he played in their game on Saturday 2nd December 2017 against Stevington. Game won 3-2.
 - Awaiting Bedfordshire FA action.
- ❖ **Flitwick Town A:** In breach of league rule 8[C] in having in their game against Shefford Town & Campton A on Saturday 2nd December 2017 played four classed reserve team players when the rule only allows a maximum of three. Charge sheet under league rule 5D issued to club by email on Tuesday 5th December 2017. Game lost 1-2 - result to stand. Club failed to reply to charge.
 - Flitwick Town 'A' fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2018.01-15** and deducted one [1] match point.
- ❖ **White Eagles:** In breach of league rule 11[C] in failing to load onto Full Time by the deadline of midnight Wednesday 20th December 2017 their result sheet for game played on Saturday 16th December 2017 against Dinamo Flitwick . Report notice issued to club by email on Thursday 21st December 2017. Result Sheet loaded Thursday 29th December 2017.
 - White Eagles fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2018.01-16**

11. NATIONAL LEAGUE SYSTEM including FACILITIES

- Clubs requesting grant aid from the League **MUST** provide written cost estimates of the project **BEFORE** any work starts, as there is no guarantee that a League Grant will be made.
- ❖ **Marston Shelton Rovers** redevelopment. Progress remains slow.
- ❖ **Caldecote** training lights. £1000 already agreed. Paid.

12. REPRESENTATIVE FOOTBALL

- ❖ Nothing to report.

13. CHARTER STANDARD LEAGUE

- ❖ It was reported that there are still Clubs who have either lost, or not yet gained, their Charter Standard status, putting them at risk of not only losing valuable league and FA benefits, but also their registration with the League. Twenty Seven Clubs not listed here are all ready Charter Standard Club and are congratulated on retaining or achieving this status. The following Clubs are working with the Bedfordshire FA towards the award:
- ❖ **IN PROGRESS:** Atletico Europa, Houghton Athletic, Kempston Rovers, Renhold United, Sandy, Shefford Town & Campton
- ❖ **NO CHARTER STANDARD:** Black Swan (can apply next year), CS Rovers, Harlington, Sundon Park Rovers, The 61 FC, White Eagles, Wixams

14. RESPECT and COUNTY FA DISCIPLINE

- ❖ Please be aware that Respect Sanctions [C2 Cautions for showing dissent by word or action and S6 Sending off for using offensive, insulting or abusive language] carry very heavy automatic penalties. Get your players to understand the seriousness of being cautioned or sent off for dissent. Additional teams from last month are shown in **RED**.
 - The following teams have reached stage R6 [6 cautions] and have received a warning from Beds FA:
 - **PREMIER DIVISION:** AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College, Queens Park Crescents, **Stevington**, Wootton Blue Cross.
 - **OTHER DIVISIONS:** **AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College Reserves, Cople & Bedford SA, Harlington, Henlow, Luton Leagrave, Meltis Albion, Renhold United Reserves, Shefford Town & Campton Reserves.**
 - The following team has reached stage R10 [10 cautions] and has received a fine plus admin fee from Beds FA:
 - **PREMIER DIVISION:** Wootton Blue Cross
 - **OTHER DIVISIONS:** None
- ❖ Teams reaching stage R10 will be fined, by the Beds FA, £65 + £10 admin for Premier Division teams and £50 + £10 admin fee for all other teams. Teams reaching stage R15 [15 cautions] will be pay £150 for Premier Division teams and £100 for all other teams.

15. CURRENT FINES

- ❖ Fines/warnings/costs levied at this meeting:

REF	CLUB	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FINE	POINTS	RULE	DUE DATE
!	Black Swan [Luton]		Costs/Fines 2017.11-B and 2017.12-01	£199.11			10 January 2018
2017.12-08	Black Swan [Luton]	25 November 2017	Failure to report result by deadline	£15		11-B	
2017.12-D	Black Swan [Luton]	31 October 2017	Reimbursement: October 2017 Luton Borough Council pitch costs	£96.90			
2018.01-03	Black Swan [Luton]	03 January 2018	Failure to pay cost 2017.12-D by due date	£15		05-I	

2018.01-05	Black Swan [Luton]	03 January 2018	Failure to pay fine 2017.12-08 by due date	£15		05-I	
2018.01-13	Black Swan [Luton]	02 December 2017	Failure to complete online Match Notification by deadline	£15		11-C	
2018.01-14	Black Swan [Luton]	16 December 2017	Failing to exchange team sheet prior to match.	£10		11-A	
2018-01-A	Black Swan [Luton]	30 November 2017	Reimbursement: November 2017 Luton Borough Council pitch costs	£145.35			
2018-01-E	Black Swan [Luton]	09 December 2017	Reimbursement: Half referee fee	£15			
Amount owing:				£526.36			
less amount paid in January 2018:				£349.77			
	Black Swan [Luton]		Balance owing:	£176.59			29 January 2018
2018.01-12	Crawley Green Reserves	23 December 2017	Failure to notify opponents/referee	£15		10-D: 05- D	29 January 2018
2018.01-11	Dinamo Flitwick	16 December 2017	Failure to notify opponents/referee	£15		10-D: 05- D	29 January 2018
2018.01-15	Flitwick Town 'A'	02 December 2017	Playing unregistered/ineligible player	£20	-1	08-C, '08- O	
2017.12-05	Flitwick Town Reserves	25 November 2017	Failure to notify opponents/referee	£15		10-D: 05- D	
2018.01-01	Flitwick Town Reserves	03 January 2018	Failure to pay fine 2017.12-05 by due date	£15		05-I	
	Flitwick Town Reserves and 'A'		Amount owing:	£50			29 January 2018
2018-01-B	Harlington	30 November 2017	Reimbursement: November 2017 Luton Borough Council pitch costs	£96.90			29 January 2018
2018.01-09	Kempston Rovers Develop.	30 December 2017	Failure to fulfill a fixture [Sat 1st]	£40	-1	10-F	29 January 2018
2018-01-C	Luton Leagrave	30 November 2017	Reimbursement: November 2017 Luton Borough Council pitch costs	£48.45			29 January 2018
2017.12-15	Queens Park Crescents	11 November 2017	Failure to complete online Match Notification by deadline	£15		11-C	
2018.01-06	Queens Park Crescents	03 January 2018	Failure to pay fine 2017.12-15 by due date	£15		05-I	
	Queens Park Crescents		Total amount owing:	£30			29 January 2018
2017.12-07	Stevington Reserves	02 December 2017	Failure to fulfill a fixture [Sat 1st]	£25	-1	10-F	29 January 2018
2017.12-21	Stevington Reserves	11 November 2017	Playing unregistered/ineligible player	£20	-1	08-C, 08- O	29 January 2018
2018.01-02	Stevington Reserves	03 January 2018	Failure to pay fine 2017.12-07 by due date	£15		05-I	29 January 2018
2018.01-08	Stevington Reserves	03 January 2018	Failure to pay fine 2017.12-21 by due date	£15		05-I	29 January 2018
	Stevington Reserves		Total amount owing:	£75			29 January 2018
!	Sundon Park Rovers		Costs/Fines 2017.11- C and 2017.12-02	£150.66			10 January 2018

2017.12-E	Sundon Park Rovers	31 October 2017	Reimbursement: October 2017 Luton Borough Council pitch costs	£96.90		Pay £150.66 by 10th January 2018 and the remainder by 29 January 2018
2018.01-04	Sundon Park Rovers	03 January 2018	Failure to pay cost 2017.12-E by due date	£15	05-I	
2018.01-D	Sundon Park Rovers	30 November 2017	Reimbursement: November 2017 Luton Borough Council pitch costs	£145.35		
	Sundon Park Rovers		Total amount owing:	£407.91		29 January 2018
2017.12-17	Westoning	04 November 2017	Incorrect match result sheet not relating to the names of players	£10	11-C	
2018.01-07	Westoning	03 January 2018	Failure to pay fine 2017.12-17 by due date	£15	05-I	
2018.01-10	Westoning	16 December 2017	Failure to notify opponents/referee	£15	10-D: 05-D	
	Westoning		Total amount owing:	£40		29 January 2018
2018.01-16	White Eagles	16 December 2017	Failure to complete online Match Notification by deadline	£15	11-C	29 January 2018

❖ **PAYMENT DETAILS FOR JANUARY 2018:**

- **CHEQUES** are to be made payable to Bedfordshire Football League and sent to:
- **The Treasurer, Barry Watson, 6 Hookhams Lane, Renhold MK41 0JT**
- **Clubs wishing to pay by BACS:**
- **LEAGUE BANK DETAILS: Nat West sort code 60-02-13 account 51308622**
- **Please ensure Club details appear on transfer.**
- **Also please advise BY TEXT on 07831413839**

16. NEW TEAMS and WITHDRAWALS

- ❖ Nothing to report.

17. LEAGUE DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW

- ❖ To be continued during season 2017-2018

18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- ❖ Meeting with Luton District & South Beds League arranged for Wednesday 10th January 2018.
- ❖
- ❖
- ❖ Date of next full meeting: **Thursday 1st February 2018** starting at **7pm at ELSTOW ABBEY FC**
- ❖
- ❖ There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.15 p.m.

- ❖ G. B. Snelson, General Secretary

- ❖ <https://twitter.com/bedscountylge>



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