



BEDFORDSHIRE COUNTY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

PRESIDENT: MR T. SADLER

HON GENERAL SECRETARY: MR G. B. SNELSON

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MINUTES: MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY 4TH MARCH 2021

ONLINE [ZOOM] STARTING AT 7pm

- ❖ **MEMBERS:** Messrs BT Watson [Chairman], P Francis [Vice-Chairman, Registration and Media Secretary],
- ❖ M Baxter, B Hallybone [Assistant Referee Secretary], R Horswell [Referee Secretary], K Redman,
- ❖ GB Snelson [General and Fixture Secretary]. **CLUB REPRESENTATIVES:** D Gauntlett [Shefford Town & Campton FC], R Simmonds [Elstow Abbey FC & League Charter Standard Coordinator].
- ❖ **APOLOGIES:** Mr TM Sadler [President], M Benson [Treasurer]

1. PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- ❖ The minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on 4th February 2021 were agreed for signature.

2. MATTERS ARISING

- ❖ Provisional end of year accounts not yet available.

3. CORRESPONDENCE

- ❖ Various items of correspondence were received by the General Secretary. All those requiring action or for information are recorded elsewhere in these minutes. These included various minutes and notices from The FA and Bedfordshire 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.
- ❖ **The Football Association**
 - To: **Regional NLS Feeder Leagues** – information on restart of football.
- ❖ **Bedfordshire FA**
 - Nothing to report
- ❖ Request for BCFL Rep Team shirt. Noted.

4. FINANCE

- ❖ New banking arrangements – no current activity.
- ❖ **Provisional end of year accounts.** Update at April 2021 meeting.
- ❖ **IMPORTANT - OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS TO LEAGUE - FINES. COSTS AND LUTON BOROUGH COUNCIL PITCH PAYMENTS: SEE ITEM 15 BELOW.**

5. TROPHIES & MEMENTOES

- ❖ Nothing to report.

6. TRANSFERS

- Jack Randall. AFC Bedford United to Bedford Albion

7. ALTERATIONS TO HANDBOOK

- Nothing to report.

8. REFEREE SECRETARY REPORT & REFEREEING MATTERS

- ❖ Nothing to report

9. FIXTURE REPORT

- ❖ **Suspension [voidance] of all current season fixtures.**
 - All current fixtures will be VOID – no further matches to be played in any division [PREMIER, DIVISION ONE 'A', DIVISION ONE 'B', DIVISION TWO, DIVISION THREE, DIVISION FOUR].
- ❖ **Supplementary Competitions season 2020-2021**
 - Four Supplementary Competitions will be arranged from April 10th, namely:
 - **SUPPLEMENTARY Division 'A'** – comprising teams from Premier Division.
 - **SUPPLEMENTARY Division 'B'** – comprising teams from Divisions 1A and 1B
 - **SUPPLEMENTARY Division 'C'** – comprising teams from Division 2, supplemented with teams from the top of Division 3 [based on points per match up to and including 19th December 2020]
 - **SUPPLEMENTARY Division 'D'** – comprising teams from Division 4, supplemented with teams from the remainder of Division 3.
 - Each Supplementary Division will comprise a number of Groups, the winning teams to play semi-finals, and a final preferably when spectators can return.
 - **FINAL DETAILS will be released on 10th March. This will include rules for the Supplementary Competitions, with the exception of the following rule which takes immediate effect [as from 4th March 2021]:**
 - **ALL PLAYING SQUADS ARE NOW FROZEN. No new player registrations or transfers will be accepted until after the 2021 Annual General Meeting.**
 - Clubs will then have to 24th March to withdraw if they wish, after which date fixtures will be released on Full Time.
- ❖ Virtual season 2020-2021 to continue but to be completed by April 9th at the latest.

10. REGISTRATIONS, RESULTS, PRESS & MEDIA SECRETARY REPORT

- ❖ Registrations at Midday 27th February 2021: **2685**
- ❖ **Report Notices** None.
- ❖ **Charge Notices** None.
- ❖ **Other Matters**
 - **Stopsley United** Reference 2021- 01-06: Online Match Notification still not loaded 4th March.

11. NATIONAL LEAGUE SYSTEM including FACILITIES
❖ Nothing new to report.
12. REPRESENTATIVE FOOTBALL
❖ Nothing to report.
13. CHARTER STANDARD LEAGUE
❖ All on hold with Health Checks and Accreditation extended due to pandemic.
❖ Mr Simmonds reported on current percentages and future FA plans.
14. RESPECT and COUNTY FA DISCIPLINE
❖ No BCFL team has reached the 6 cautions [warning] stage.
15. CURRENT FINES
❖ REVIEW OF OUTSTANDING PAYMENTS:
❖ The fixtures of the following teams/clubs listed below, namely Atletico Europa, Bedford Santos, Houghton Athletic, Kempston Athletic, Luton Allstars, Sporting Lewsey Park, Square FC, St. Johns Luton, and Sundon Park Rangers , are suspended with immediate effect. This includes the Supplementary Competitions. Fixtures will be reinstated upon payment of the outstanding sums of money. Payment details are shown below.
❖ IMPORTANT: Payments not received by MONDAY 15th March 2021, any defaulting Club will be deemed to have WITHDRAWN from the League, unless the League Treasurer confirms an agreed payment plan, with the League Deposit forfeited with no refunds. Where the deposit is insufficient to cover the debt, further action will be taken. Any withdrawn Club applying for entry in season 2021-2022 will be required to pay a new deposit.

REF	CLUB	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FINE/ cost	PTS	RULE	DUE DATE
2020.11-30	Atletico Europa	31/10/2020	FAILURE TO PROVIDE RESULT BY DEADLINE	£15.00		21[B]	
2021.01-13	Atletico Europa	30/11/2020	FAILURE TO PAY FINE WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00		6[I]	
	Atletico Europa		TOTAL TO PAY	£30.00			15-Mar-21
2020.11-17	Bedford Santos	10/10/2020	FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00		21[C]	
2020.11-32	Bedford Santos	31/10/2020	FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00		21[C]	
2021.01-14	Bedford Santos	30/11/2020	FAILURE TO PAY FINE WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00		6[I]	
2021.01-07	Bedford Santos	19/12/2020	FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00		21[C]	
	Bedford Santos		TOTAL TO PAY	£60.00			15-Mar-21
2020.11-20	Houghton Athletic	17/10/2020	FAILURE TO PROVIDE RESULT BY DEADLINE	£15.00		21[B]	
2020.11-34	Houghton Athletic	31/10/2020	FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00		21[C]	
2021.01-15	Houghton Athletic	30/11/2020	FAILURE TO PAY FINE WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00		6[I]	
2021.01-08	Houghton Athletic	19/12/2020	FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00		21[C]	
	Houghton Athletic		TOTAL TO PAY	£60.00			15-Mar-21
2020.11-36	Kempston Athletic	10/10/2020	PLAYING AN INELIGIBLE PLAYER – FIRST OCCURRENCE	£20.00	-1	18[N] - 20[F]	
2021.02-02	Kempston Athletic	25/01/2021	FAILURE TO PAY FINE WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00		6[I]	
	Kempston Athletic		TOTAL TO PAY	£35.00			15-Mar-21
2020.11-28	Luton Allstars	24/10/2020	FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00		21[C]	
2021.01-16	Luton Allstars	30/11/2020	FAILURE TO PAY FINE WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00		6[I]	
	Luton Allstars		TOTAL TO PAY	£30.00			15-Mar-21

2021.00-P01	Sporting Lewsey Park	03/10/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEWSEY PARK PAID	£0	
2021.00-P02	Sporting Lewsey Park	24/10/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEWSEY PARK PAID	£0	
2021.00-P03	Sporting Lewsey Park	31/10/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEWSEY PARK	£47.50	
2021.00-P04	Sporting Lewsey Park	12/12/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEWSEY PARK	£47.50	
2021.01-05	Sporting Lewsey Park	05/12/2020	FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME PAID	£0	21[C]
2021.02-03	Sporting Lewsey Park	25/01/2021	FAILURE TO PAY FINE WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00	6[I]
	Sporting Lewsey Park		TOTAL TO PAY PAYMENT PLAN REQUESTED	£110.00	15-Mar-21
2021.01-09	Square FC	19/12/2020	FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00	21[C]
2021.01-11	Square FC	05/12/2020	FAILURE TO EXCHANGE TEAMSHEET	£10.00	21[A]
2021.02-04	Square FC	25/01/2021	FAILURE TO PAY FINE WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00	6[I]
	Square FC		TOTAL TO PAY	£40.00	15-Mar-21
2021.00-P05	St Johns (Luton)	03/10/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEAGRAVE PARK (SUNDON PARK)	£47.50	
2021.00-P06	St Johns (Luton)	17/10/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEAGRAVE PARK (SUNDON PARK)	£47.50	
2021.00-P07	St Johns (Luton)	31/10/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEAGRAVE PARK (SUNDON PARK)	£47.50	
2021.00-P08	St Johns (Luton)	05/12/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEAGRAVE PARK (SUNDON PARK)	£47.50	
	St Johns (Luton)		TOTAL TO PAY PAYMENT TO BE MADE 5TH MARCH	£190.00	15-Mar-21
2021.00-P13	Sundon Park Rangers	26/09/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEWSEY PARK	£47.50	
2021.00-P14	Sundon Park Rangers	10/10/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEWSEY PARK	£47.50	
2021.00-P15	Sundon Park Rangers	24/10/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEWSEY PARK	£47.50	
2021.00-P16	Sundon Park Rangers	31/10/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEWSEY PARK	£47.50	
2020.11-22	Sundon Park Rangers Devel.	17/10/2020	FAILURE TO PROVIDE RESULT BY DEADLINE	£15.00	21[B]
2021.01-19	Sundon Park Rangers Devel.	30/11/2020	FAILURE TO PAY FINE WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME	£15.00	6[I]
2021.00-P17	Sundon Park Rangers Devel.	03/10/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEWSEY PARK	£47.50	
2021.00-P18	Sundon Park Rangers Devel.	17/10/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEWSEY PARK	£47.50	
2021.00-P19	Sundon Park Rangers Devel.	12/12/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEWSEY PARK	£47.50	
2021.00-P20	Sundon Park Rangers Devel.	19/12/2020	PITCH BOOKING - LEWSEY PARK	£47.50	
	Sundon Park Rangers FC		TOTAL TO PAY	£410.00	15-Mar-21

- ❖ **PAYMENT DETAILS:**
- ❖ **Account Number 50319325 Sort Code 20-71-35.**
- ❖ PAY BY BACS TRANSFER ONLY [Bankers' Automated Clearing System] - no cheques or cash at present.
- ❖ Please add your CLUB NAME as the reference for the transfer.
- ❖ Please text 07825351113 to confirm payment has been made, or email mbenson@premiercables.com. Your receipt will then be raised.
- ❖ **PLEASE NOTE:** The account is Personal in the name of League Treasure Mr M I Benson (FYI. It is a dedicated account for the League while we change the main League accounts to an online version.

16. APPLICATIONS & WITHDRAWALS

- ❖ APPLICATIONS: Previously reported: **Bedford Town FC Youth Development**. Invite to April meeting of the Management Committee. Application Form sent to two other Clubs.
- ❖ WITHDRAWALS: None

17. LEAGUE DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW

- ❖ Nothing further to report.

18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- ❖ **Date of Annual General Meeting.** It was agreed to explore the possibility of moving the date of the AGM forward by a week or so to allow a full meeting in Great Barford Village Hall.
- ❖ **Rule changes season 2021-2022.** These will be submitted to Bedfordshire FA shortly after Management Committee agreement on 1st April. **Any Club wishing to submit a change of rule is requested to do so by Wednesday 31st March 2021.**
- ❖ **Subscriptions season 2021-2022.** At their 1st April meeting, the Management Committee will consider not charging an annual subscription to the majority of Clubs for the second successive season. Newly entered Clubs will be required to pay the full subscription as, possibly, will be the Clubs which have not cleared their debts to the league in accordance with item 15 above, as these Clubs will be deemed to have withdrawn previously.
- ❖ **Formation of Divisions season 2021-2022.** The current format of Premier and two Divisions One will be continued into season 2021-2022.
- ❖ **An additional online Management Committee meeting** is arranged for Thursday 18th March 2021 at 7pm.
- ❖ There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.20 p.m.
- ❖ G. B. Snelson, General Secretary



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