



# BEDFORDSHIRE COUNTY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

**PRESIDENT: MR T. SADLER**

**HON GENERAL SECRETARY: MR G. B. SNELSON**

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## AGENDA: MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

**THURSDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2019**

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

**MEMBERS:** Messrs TM Sadler [President], BT Watson [Chairman and Treasurer], P Francis [Vice-Chairman, Registration and Media Secretary], S Chamberlain, B Hallybone, R Horswell, GB Snelson [General and Fixture Secretary].

**CLUB REPRESENTATIVES:** Messrs R Simmonds [Elstow Abbey FC and League Charter Standard

Coordinator], D Gauntlett [Shefford Town and Campton FC]. **BEDFORDSHIRE FA:** Messrs A Scott [League Representative on Bedfordshire FA]. **APOLOGIES:** Mr M Benson, K Redman, Josh Spavins [Football Development

Officer, North, Bedfordshire FA]. **LIFE VICE PRESIDENTS:** Mr PJ Onion. J Warner. **ABSENT:** Amrit Singh Bains

### 1. PREVIOUS MEETING

- ❖ The minutes of the Management Committee meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019 were signed as a true record with the following amendment:
  - Keith Redman was not in attendance [medical reasons] and gave his apologies.

### 2. MATTERS ARISING

- ❖ Hy-Pro footballs - there are reported cases of these match balls splitting. General Secretary met with Hy-Pro, who will return the two balls provided to the manufacturers for their assessment of the problem. Matter on going.
- ❖ **CS Rovers - appeal:** The Bedfordshire FA found in favour of the Club. Original League decision is now void. Match score to stand. For details of the findings go to <http://www.bedfordshirefa.com/news>
- ❖ **Bedford Albion - appeal:** The Bedfordshire FA found in favour of the League. For details of the findings go to <http://www.bedfordshirefa.com/news>
- ❖ **FC Polonia (Luton) - case heard by The FA:** Charges found proved. *In breach of league rule 18 N in that in their game on Saturday 12th January 2019 they named on their teamsheet and played Mateusz Domisz against Wootton Village who at the time was serving a Beds FA suspension. Match lost 4-3.*
  - FC Polonia [Luton] deducted one [1] additional match point, **see item 15 below, reference 2019.04-01**
- ❖ **Cranfield United - appeal:** The Bedfordshire FA found in favour of the Club insofar as to vary the Committee's decision. Original League decision is now void. Match to be replayed. For details of the findings go to <http://www.bedfordshirefa.com/news>
- ❖ **Stevington Reserves:** *In breach of league rule 18N/20F in that in their game on Saturday 2nd February 2019 against Wootton Village (won 4-2) they played one Clifton Tatham who was not named on their teamsheet exchanged with Wootton Village and the match referee prior to kick off. The player was therefore ineligible to play.*
  - Charge rule 18N/20F proved
  - Match points [3] won in the match deducted from Stevington Reserves, plus an additional one [1] point.
  - Match awarded to Wootton Village, score 0-0
  - Stevington Reserves fined as per rule, see item 15 below, reference 2019.03-09
- **Management Committee considered the decision made in March 2019 and decided there should be no variation.**

### 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**
  - FA Vase entry applications by 1<sup>st</sup> April – forwarded to all clubs on 7<sup>th</sup> March.
  - FA Inter-League Cup entry applications by 1<sup>st</sup> April – entry completed 15<sup>th</sup> March.
- ❖ **Bedfordshire FA**
  - Request for League Rules by 12<sup>th</sup> March - Completed.
  - Request for proposed League Rule changes by 1<sup>st</sup> April – Completed.
  - Safeguarding notes – u18's in Open Age football. Circulated to all Clubs.
  - Referee Club Marks.
- ❖ **Clifton FC:** reporting excellent performance of referee James Steer on 9<sup>th</sup> March and Nick Wiltshire on 16<sup>th</sup> March. Noted with pleasure.
- ❖ Robin Road Limited re Football Admin App. Noted.
- ❖ Duralock Pitch Barrier Systems – simple post and rail barrier for complete pitch surround circa £5K.
- ❖ **Wootton Blue Cross** re problems following Jubilee Cup semi-final **Elstow Abbey v Kempston Athletic**. Investigation in hand. *Post meeting note: Matter resolved between Wootton Blue Cross and Elstow Abbey.*

### 4. FINANCE

- ❖ **Payments for Luton Borough Council Park Pitches** [excluding The 61FC [Luton] and Crawley Green]. An online account has been made available as follows:

|                |          |
|----------------|----------|
| Account Number | 50319325 |
| Sort Code      | 20-71-35 |

- Payment (£49.90) to be made by 12-midday on Friday (for a Saturday match), and 12-midday on the day of a mid-week match. All payments for February 2019 have been made to Luton Borough Council.
- **Luton Borough Council Park Pitch costs raised on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019 to £51.40**
- ❖ **PAYMENT UPDATE** The following fines/costs/payments have not been made by the due dates. All Clubs listed below on page 2, except Black Swan [Luton], are fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2019.04-02 to -07 inclusive.**

- ❖ The fixtures of **BLACK SWAN [LUTON]** are suspended from Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> April and can only be reinstated on FULL PAYMENT of the outstanding debt by Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April.

| REF        | CLUB                  | DATE       | DESCRIPTION                                                     | FINE       | PTS | RULE         | DUE DATE             |
|------------|-----------------------|------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----|--------------|----------------------|
| 2019.03-11 | Bedford Albion Res    | 02/03/2019 | PLAYING AN INELIGIBLE PLAYER – FIRST OCCURRENCE - CUP TIE       | £20        |     | 18[N]-CUP 12 | 25 March 2019        |
| 2019.02-15 | Black Swan [Luton]    | 19/01/2019 | FAILURE TO PROVIDE RESULT BY DEADLINE                           | £15        |     | 21[B]        |                      |
| 2019.02-17 | Black Swan [Luton]    | 19/01/2019 | FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION WITHIN            | £15        |     | 21[C]        |                      |
| 2019.03-01 | Black Swan [Luton]    | 04/03/2019 | FAILURE TO PAY A FINES WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME - 2019.02-15 & | £15        |     | 6[I]         |                      |
| 2019.03-06 | Black Swan [Luton]    | 09/02/2019 | FAILURE TO PROVIDE RESULT BY DEADLINE                           | £15        |     | 21[B]        |                      |
|            |                       |            | <b>BLACK SWAN [LUTON] TOTAL TO PAY:</b>                         | <b>£60</b> |     |              | <b>25 March 2019</b> |
| 2019.03-03 | Flitwick Town 'A'     | 16/02/2019 | FAILURE TO PROVIDE DETAILS OF A FIXTURE                         | £15        |     | 20[C]        |                      |
| 2019.03-10 | Flitwick Town 'A'     | 16/02/2019 | PLAYING AN INELIGIBLE PLAYER – FIRST OCCURRENCE                 | £20        | -1  | 18[M][N]     |                      |
|            |                       |            | <b>FLITWICK TOWN 'A' TOTAL TO PAY:</b>                          | <b>£35</b> |     |              | <b>25 March 2019</b> |
| 2019.03-07 | Queens Park Crescents | 16/02/2019 | FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION WITHIN            | £15        |     | 21[C]        | 25 March 2019        |
| 2019.03-08 | Sporting Lewsey Park  | 16/02/2019 | FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION WITHIN            | £15        |     | 21[C]        | 25 March 2019        |
| 2019.03-04 | Square FC             | 02/03/2019 | FAILURE TO PROVIDE DETAILS OF A FIXTURE                         | £15        |     | 20[C]        | 25 March 2019        |
|            |                       |            | SUBJECT TO REVIEW 1 <sup>ST</sup> MAY 2019                      |            |     |              |                      |
| 2019.03-09 | Stevington Reserves   | 02/02/2019 | PLAYING AN INELIGIBLE PLAYER – FIRST OCCURRENCE                 | £20        | -1  | 18[N]        | 25 March 2019        |

## 5. TROPHIES & MEMENTOES

- ❖ Recover trophies from Bedfordshire FA on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April.

## 6. TRANSFERS

|                |                                               |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| Sam Foad       | Real Haynes Reserves to Real Haynes.          |
| Ashley Farouqi | Caldecote to Cranfield United.                |
| Jason Davie    | 61 FC Luton Reserves to Sporting Lewsey Park. |
| Ricky Peat     | Lea Sports PSG to Flitwick Town.              |
| Sundeepp Gill  | Queens Park Crescents to Elstow Abbey.        |

## 7. ALTERATIONS TO HANDBOOK

- ❖ None.

## 8. REFEREE SECRETARY REPORT & REFEREEING MATTERS

- ❖ Cup Final Referee appointment recommendations accepted by the Committee.  
❖ Bedfordshire FA 'Sin Bin' training will be by a series of roadshows. These will be mandatory for all Clubs to attend. Details of the roadshows will be available at the AGM.

## 9. FIXTURE REPORT

- ❖ **Previous Free Date requests:**
  - **AFC Oakley M&DH First** 6<sup>th</sup> April
  - **Stevington Reserves** 27<sup>th</sup> April
- ❖ **New Free Date requests** – all agreed
  - **Shefford Town & Campton Reserves** 27<sup>th</sup> April
- ❖ **The following matches were not played or completed:**
- ❖ Division One: Saturday 16th March 2019. The 61 FC Luton Reserves v Wixams. **Wixams** unable to raise a side.
  - Wixams fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2019.04.08** and deducted one [1] additional match point.
- ❖ Division One: Saturday 23rd March 2019. Flitwick Town Reserves v **Sandy**. Sandy unable to raise a side.
  - Sandy fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2019.04.09** and deducted one [1] additional match point.
- ❖ Division One: Saturday 23rd March 2019. Wilstead Res v Cople & Bedford SA. **Wilstead Reserves** unable to raise a side.
  - Wilstead Res fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2019.04.10** and deducted two [2] additional match points.
- ❖ Division Two supported by Hy-Pro. Saturday 23rd March 2019. **CS Rovers v Houghton Athletic**. Postponed - no pitch booking. Emails from Lea Manor Sports Centre state the error was theirs and not CS Rovers. Match to be rearranged.
- ❖ Division Two: Saturday 30th March 2019. M&DH Oakley Res v Black Swan (Luton). **Black Swan** unable to raise a side.
  - Black Swan fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2019.04.11** and deducted one [1] additional match point.
- ❖ **Cup Finals**
  - BFA Senior Trophy: **6<sup>th</sup> March Stevington 4 Wilstead 0**
  - BFA Junior Challenge Cup: **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April CS Rovers v Thurleigh** at Potton United FC 7.30pm.
  - BFA Intermediate Cup: **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April Henlow v Dustable Town u21** at Kempston Rovers FC 7.30pm.
  - League Britannia Cup: **Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April Shefford Town & Campton v Wilstead** at Kempston Rovers FC 7.30pm.
  - League Jubilee Cup: **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April Kempston Athletic v CS Rovers** at Elstow Abbey FC 3pm
  - League Watson Shield: **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May Pines [Luton] v Stevington Reserves** at Cranfield United FC 7.30pm

- League Centenary Cup: **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May Cople & Bedford SA v Biggleswade Res** at Kempston Rovers FC 6pm
- ❖ League Cup Final programmes will be digital this season and available on the League website. Printed teamsheets will be available at the matches.
- ❖ Season extension on Luton Borough Council pitches. Noted that many park pitches will be unavailable prior to the date that fixtures are completed. Many alternative arrangements have been agreed.

## 10. REGISTRATIONS, RESULTS, PRESS & MEDIA SECRETARY REPORT

- ❖ The Registrations Secretary reported on matters associated with Whole Game System and Full Time.
- ❖ **Total Players Registered** at 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019 deadline: **2953**
- ❖ **Total number of transfers in the season: 95**
- ❖ **General Note:** Clubs are reminded to save their referee mark in FA Marks before entering player's statistics, failure to do so results in no referee mark being shown.
- ❖ **Report Notices**
  - **Flitwick Town Reserves:** In breach of League rule 21C in failing to load their completed result sheet for their game played on Saturday 2nd March 2019 against The 61 FC Luton Reserves. (Referee mark missing) by the deadline on Midnight Wednesday 6th March 2019. **Still outstanding.**
    - Flitwick Town Res fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2019.04.12**
  - **Wixams:** In breach of league rule 21C in failing to load their result sheet for their game played on Saturday 2nd March 2019 against Wilstead Reserves by the deadline of Midnight Wednesday 6th March 2019. Result sheet loaded Friday 8th March 2019.
    - Wixams fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2019.04.13**
  - **Black Swan (Luton)** In breach of league rule 21C in failing to load their result sheet for their game played on Saturday 16th March 2019 against CS Rovers by the deadline of Midnight Wednesday 20th March 2019. Result Sheet loaded Saturday 23rd March 2019.
    - Black Swan fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2019.04.14**
  - **Flitwick Town Reserves:** In breach of league rule 6H in failing to reply to comply with an instruction of the Management Committee, dated Friday 15th March 2019 regarding incomplete Full Time result sheet from their game played on 2nd March 2019.
    - Flitwick Town Res fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2019.04.15**
  - **AFC Kempston Town and Bedford College:** In Breach of league rule 21B in failing to report the result for their game against Riseley Sports on Saturday 23rd March 2019 by the deadline of 5.30pm. Text received 6.01pm.
    - AFC Kempston Town and Bedford College fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2019.04.16**
  - **Marston Shelton Rovers Reserves:** In Breach of league rule 21B in failing to report the result for their game against Caldecote Reserves on Saturday 23rd March 2019 by the deadline of 5.30pm. Text received 5.46pm.
    - Marston Shelton Rovers Reserves fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2019.04.17**
  - **Flitwick Town 'A':** In Breach of league rule 21B in failing to report the result for their game against Dinamo Flitwick on Saturday 23rd March 2019 by the deadline of 5.30pm. Text received 6.05pm.
    - Flitwick Town 'A' fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2019.04.18**
  - **Charge Notices**
  - **Shefford Town & Campton Reserves:** In breach of Cup Rule 4 in having played Ashley Ingham in their Semi-Final Centenary Cup tie against Cople & Bedford SA on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019 who previous to the game had only played three Bedfordshire County League games for the club during season 2018-19.
    - Dan Gauntlett declared an interest and withdrew from the meeting.
    - Club represented by Alex Caulder
    - From the evidence presented the charge of playing an ineligible player [by virtue of the number of qualifying matches] was proved.
      - Shefford Town & Campton Reserves removed from the Centenary Cup with Cople & Bedford SA reinstated.
      - Shefford Town & Campton Reserves fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2019.04.19**
  - **Unite MK Reserves:** in breach of league rule 18M in that in their game against M&DH Clapham Sports they played four classified senior team players where the limit allowed is three. Game lost 3-0. Club replied by email Monday 18th March 2019 denying charge. Email comments to consider.
    - Appearances rechecked: rule 18M not breached. Charge dropped, no further action.

## 11. NATIONAL LEAGUE SYSTEM including FACILITIES

- ❖ **NATIONAL LEAGUE SYSTEM [NLS] STEP 7 – REVIEW PROPOSALS** presented by The FA on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2019:
  - **The proposals are for SEASON 2020-2021** and as presented may or may not affect the League. It will be affected insofar as Step 7 will no longer exist but the League will be part of the Regional Feeder System to the NLS, which shall be the existing Steps 1 to 6. The requirement to produce an annual Development Plan will not change though the format of the Plan may be amended. The current benefits to the League and to Member Clubs will also remain, largely unchanged.
  - There appears to be a move to have all Regional Feeder Leagues as County based leagues, which would not affect the BCFL unless Clubs from other Leagues were allocated to the League.
  - There is a requirement to reduce the number of Step 6 leagues from 20 to 17 [the odd number caused by the geographic isolation of Cornwall and Devon] and a requirement to increase the number of Step 3 Leagues by one. Leagues were assured that no current Step 7 Clubs would be used to make up any shortfall in the shuffling above EXCEPT by promotion or very limited exceptional circumstances such as Jersey joining the NLS. It was stressed that the only way, apart from these exceptional circumstances, for a Club to move to Step 6 would be from a current Step 7 [Regional Feeder] League. There will be no automatic promotion from a Regional Feeder League to a specific Step 6 League, as ALL successful promotion candidates will be placed in a pool and allocated from there.
- ❖ **GROUND GRADING [FACILITY CHECKS]** of ALL Premier Division Club and potential promotion candidates will be carried out by the end of the season, and FULL COMPLIANCE with the minimum requirements must be met. There can now be no discretion applied and Clubs not meeting the requirements will be relegated from the Premier Division at the end of season 2019-2020.
  - Proposals for season 2020-2021:
    - **Neutral Assistant Referees** will be employed in the Premier Division. This will be introduced gradually over the 2019-2020 season.
    - **Team Shelters** will be mandatory. The League will pay a substantial portion of the cost.
    - **Pitch barriers** will be required on all four sides of the pitch, preferably permanent rail, complete or partial.
- ❖ **GROUND GRADING for STEP 6:** Reports received for both Cranfield United and Shefford Town & Campton

## 12. REPRESENTATIVE FOOTBALL

- ❖ Entry made into National Leagues Cup

## 13. CHARTER STANDARD LEAGUE

- ❖ Currently standing at 82% compliant – 11 Clubs not yet CS.

## 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.**
  - The following team has reached stage R6 [6 cautions] and has received a warning from Bedfordshire FA. The warning requires payment of a Discipline Administration fee of £15. New additions in **GREEN**.
    - PREMIER DIVISION: Marston Shelton Rovers, Queens Park Crescents, Riseley Sports, Ickwell & Old Warden, Caldecote, Cranfield United, Stevington, AFC Oakley M&DH, Wootton Blue Cross, Crawley Green Reserves, **Sheffield Town & Campton.**
    - OTHER DIVISIONS: Black Swan [Luton], Bedford Albion Reserves, Lidlington United Sports Club, St. Josephs [Saturday], Henlow, Pines [Luton], Caldecote Reserves, Cople & Bedford SA, Bedford Albion, Wixams Wanderers, **Sandy, Stevington Reserves, Elstow Abbey.**
  - The following teams have reached stage R10 [10 cautions] Fine plus £15 admin fee applicable [payable to Beds FA]:
    - PREMIER DIVISION: Queens Park Crescents, **Caldecote, Cranfield United** £75 Fine plus £15 admin fee.
    - OTHER DIVISIONS: Black Swan [Luton], **Caldecote Reserves** £50 Fine plus £15 admin fee.
  - The following team has reached stage R15 [15 cautions] Fine plus £15 admin fee applicable [payable to Beds FA]:
    - PREMIER DIVISION: **Queens Park Crescents** £150 Fine plus £15 admin fee.
    - OTHER DIVISIONS: None.

## 15. CURRENT FINES

- ❖ Fines/warnings/costs levied at the April 2019 meeting:

| REF        | CLUB                         | DATE       | DESCRIPTION                                                                  | FINE       | PTS       | RULE         | DUE DATE             |
|------------|------------------------------|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-----------|--------------|----------------------|
| 2019.04-01 | <b>FC Polonia [Luton]</b>    | 12/01/2019 | PLAYING AN INELIGIBLE PLAYER – FIRST OCCURRENCE - FINES PAID TO THE FA       |            | <b>-1</b> | 18[N]        | N/A                  |
| 2019.03-11 | Bedford Albion Res           | 02/03/2019 | PLAYING AN INELIGIBLE PLAYER – FIRST OCCURRENCE - CUP TIE                    | <b>£20</b> |           | 18[N]-CUP 12 | 25-Mar-19            |
| 2019.04-02 | Bedford Albion Res           | 04/04/2019 | FAILURE TO PAY A FINE WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME - 2019.03-11                 | <b>£15</b> |           | 6[I]         | 29 April 2019        |
|            | <b>Bedford Albion Res</b>    |            | TOTAL TO PAY                                                                 | <b>£35</b> |           |              | <b>29 April 2019</b> |
| 2019.03-03 | Flitwick Town 'A'            | 16/02/2019 | FAILURE TO PROVIDE DETAILS OF A FIXTURE                                      | <b>£15</b> |           | 20[C]        | 25-Mar-19            |
| 2019.03-10 | Flitwick Town 'A'            | 16/02/2019 | PLAYING AN INELIGIBLE PLAYER – FIRST OCCURRENCE                              | <b>£20</b> | <b>-1</b> | 18[M][N]     | 25-Mar-19            |
| 2019.04-03 | Flitwick Town 'A'            | 04/04/2019 | FAILURE TO PAY A FINES WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME - 2019.03-03 AND 2019.03-10 | <b>£15</b> |           | 6[I]         | 29-Apr-19            |
| 2019.04-18 | Flitwick Town 'A'            | 23/03/2019 | FAILURE TO PROVIDE RESULT BY DEADLINE                                        | <b>£15</b> |           | 21[B]        | 29 April 2019        |
| 2019.04-12 | Flitwick Town Res            | 02/03/2019 | FAILURE TO PROVIDE REFEREE'S MARK                                            | <b>£10</b> |           | 23[H]        | 29 April 2019        |
| 2019.04-15 | Flitwick Town Res            | 15/03/2019 | FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH AN INSTRUCTION OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE            | <b>£15</b> |           | 6[H]         | 29 April 2019        |
|            | <b>Flitwick Town</b>         |            | TOTAL TO PAY                                                                 | <b>£90</b> |           |              | <b>29 April 2019</b> |
| 2019.03-07 | Queens Park Crescents        | 16/02/2019 | FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION WITHIN REQUIRED TIME           | <b>£15</b> |           | 21[C]        | 25-Mar-19            |
| 2019.04-04 | Queens Park Crescents        | 04/04/2019 | FAILURE TO PAY A FINES WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME - 2019.03-07                | <b>£15</b> |           | 6[I]         | 29-Apr-19            |
|            | <b>Queens Park Crescents</b> |            | TOTAL TO PAY                                                                 | <b>£30</b> |           |              | <b>29 April 2019</b> |
| 2019.03-08 | Sporting Lewsey Park         | 16/02/2019 | FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION WITHIN REQUIRED TIME           | <b>£15</b> |           | 21[C]        | 25-Mar-19            |
| 2019.04-05 | Sporting Lewsey Park         | 04/04/2019 | FAILURE TO PAY A FINES WITHIN REQUIRED TIMEFRAME - 2019.03-08                | <b>£15</b> |           | 6[I]         | 29-Apr-19            |
|            | <b>Sporting Lewsey Park</b>  |            | TOTAL TO PAY                                                                 | <b>£30</b> |           |              | <b>29 April 2019</b> |
| 2019.03-04 | Square FC                    | 02/03/2019 | FAILURE TO PROVIDE DETAILS OF A FIXTURE                                      | <b>£15</b> |           | 20[C]        | 25-Mar-19            |
| 2019.04-06 | Square FC                    |            | ABOVE FINE AND LATE PAYMENT FINE SUBJECT TO REVIEW 1ST MAY 2019              |            |           |              | 29-Apr-19            |
|            | <b>Square FC</b>             |            | TOTAL TO PAY [TO BE REPAID IF SUCCESSFUL REVIEW]                             | <b>£15</b> |           |              | <b>29 April 2019</b> |
| 2019.03-09 | Stevington Reserves          | 02/02/2019 | PLAYING AN INELIGIBLE PLAYER – FIRST OCCURRENCE                              | <b>£20</b> | <b>-1</b> | 18[N]        | 25-Mar-19            |
| 2019.04-07 | Stevington Reserves          |            | ABOVE FINE AND LATE PAYMENT FINE SUBJECT TO REVIEW 4TH APRIL 2019            |            |           |              | 29-Apr-19            |
|            | <b>Stevington Reserves</b>   |            | TOTAL TO PAY                                                                 | <b>£20</b> |           |              | <b>29 April 2019</b> |

|                                 |                                |            |                                                                    |     |    |                    |               |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|--------------------|---------------|
| 2019.04-08                      | Wixams                         | 16/03/2019 | FAILURE TO FULFIL FIXTURE - Saturday 1st [non-Premier]             | £25 | -1 | 20[Ei]             | 29 April 2019 |
| 2019.04-13                      | Wixams                         | 02/03/2019 | FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION WITHIN REQUIRED TIME | £15 |    | 21[B]              | 29 April 2019 |
| Wixams TOTAL TO PAY             |                                |            |                                                                    | £40 |    |                    | 29 April 2019 |
| 2019.04-09                      | Sandy                          | 23/03/2019 | FAILURE TO FULFIL FIXTURE - Saturday 1st [non-Premier]             | £25 | -1 | 20[Ei]             | 29 April 2019 |
| 2019.04-10                      | Wilstead Res                   | 23/03/2019 | FAILURE TO FULFIL FIXTURE - Saturday 2nd [non-Premier]             | £40 | -2 | 20[Ei]             | 29 April 2019 |
| 2019.04-11                      | Black Swan [Luton]             | 23/03/2019 | FAILURE TO FULFIL FIXTURE - Saturday 1st [non-Premier]             | £25 | -1 | 20[Ei]             | 29 April 2019 |
| 2019.04-14                      | Black Swan [Luton]             | 16/03/2019 | FAILURE TO COMPLETE ONLINE MATCH NOTIFICATION BY DEADLINE          | £15 |    | 21[C]              | 29 April 2019 |
| Black Swan [Luton] TOTAL TO PAY |                                |            |                                                                    | £40 |    |                    | 29 April 2019 |
| 2019.04-16                      | AFC Kempston Tn & Bedford Coll | 23/03/2019 | FAILURE TO PROVIDE RESULT BY DEADLINE                              | £15 |    | 21[B]              | 29 April 2019 |
| 2019.04-17                      | Marston Shelton Rovers Res     | 23/03/2019 | FAILURE TO PROVIDE RESULT BY DEADLINE                              | £15 |    | 21[B]              | 29 April 2019 |
| 2019.04-19                      | Shefford Town & Campton Res    | 16/03/2019 | PLAYING AN INELIGIBLE PLAYER – FIRST OCCURRENCE - CUP TIE          | £20 |    | 18[N]-CUP 4 and 12 | 29 April 2019 |

❖ **PAYMENT DETAILS FOR APRIL 2019** – excluding payments for Luton Borough Council park pitches [see item 4 above]:

- ❖ 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

- ❖ **Withdrawals:** Notice from **Christians in Sport [Luton]** and **Unite MK Reserves**.
- ❖ **New Teams**
  - **Previous applications:** **Wootton Village FC Reserves, Pottton FC, Lea Sports FC Reserves [Herts FA] and Stotfold FC Development.**
  - **Additional Applications:** **Stopsley Rovers FC, Stopsley United FC, Blunham FC, Eaton Park Rangers FC [Cambs FA], Brickhill Wanderers, Catsbrook Wanderers [Luton], Enzo's Old Boys.**
  - **Additional Firm enquiries:** **Biggleswade United Development, Pottton United Reserves, White Eagles.**
- ❖ Meeting with new Clubs/Teams:
  - No requirement to meet with **Wootton Village Reserves** and **Lea Sports Reserves** – both teams accepted.
  - **TUESDAY 23<sup>RD</sup> APRIL at SHEFFORD SPORTS CLUB Hitchin Road, Shefford, Bedfordshire, SG17 5JD:**
    - COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Francis, Gauntlett and Hallybone
    - **Stotfold FC Development 6pm**
    - **Biggleswade United Development [application required] 6.25pm**
    - **Pottton FC 6.50pm**
    - **Pottton United Reserves [application required] 7.15pm**
    - **Blunham 7.40pm**
    - **Eaton Park Rangers FC 8.05pm**
  - **WEDNESDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> APRIL at ELSTOW PLAYING FIELD, Wilstead Road, Elstow, Bedfordshire MK42 9YD:**
    - COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Watson, Snelson and Simmonds
    - **Brickhill Wanderers 6pm**
    - **White Eagles [application required] 6.25pm**
    - **Stopsley Rovers FC 6.50pm**
    - **Stopsley United FC 7.15pm**
    - **Catsbrook Wanderers 7.40pm**
    - **Enzo's Old Boys 8.05pm**

## 17. LEAGUE DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW

- ❖ Nothing to report at present.

## 18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- ❖ **Venue for AGM 2019.** Confirmed at Great Barford Village Hall on **WEDNESDAY 19<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2019**. Doors open 6.30pm - meeting starts 7.30pm.
- ❖ **Proposed Rule changes season 2019-2020**
- ❖ **RULE 11[A]** Any Club **DELETE: intending, or having a provisional intention, to withdraw** **ADD: withdrawing** a Team from the Competition on completion of its fixtures and fulfilment of all other obligations to the Competition must notify the Secretary in writing **DELETE: by 31st March** **ADD: no later than seven [7] clear days prior to the Annual General Meeting** each season. This does not apply to a Club moving in accordance with Rule 22[B]. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff. A Club withdrawing on or before the date of the Annual General Meeting, having given notice as per this rule, shall have the deposit paid by that Club returned, subject to Rule 4[C].
- ❖ **RULE 18[B][iii]** Each Club must have at least 11 Players registered **ADD: for each team entered [11 for one team, 22 for 2 teams, etc]** 14 days before the start of each Playing Season. The actual date and time to be specified and agreed at the Annual General Meeting. Failure to comply with this Rule will result in a fine in accordance with the Fines Tariff.
- ❖ **RULE 20[F]** **DELETE: The referee shall be informed of the names of the substitute Players not later than FIFTEEN [15] minutes before the start of the Competition Match and a Player not so named may not take part in that Competition Match.** **ADD: The referee shall be informed of the names of all players, including the substitute**

Players. Both teams must exchange Team Sheets with each other in the presence of the referee not later than FIFTEEN [15] minutes before the start of the Competition Match and a Player not so named will be deemed ineligible and may not take part in that Competition Match.

- ❖ **RULE 23[H]** Referee marks of 60 or less must be accompanied by a report to the Referees Secretary.
- ❖ SCHEDULE A

| FEES TARIFF |                                                                   |             |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|
| RULE        | DESCRIPTION                                                       | MAXIMUM FEE |
| 4 [B]       | ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION [NON-CHARTER STANDARD following first season] | £125        |
| 23 [E]      | REFEREE FEE [PREMIER DIVISION]                                    | £35 £40     |
| 23 [E]      | REFEREE FEE [ALL OTHER DIVISIONS]                                 | £30- £35    |
| 23 [E]      | REGISTERED REFEREES appointed as ASSISTANTS [PREMIER DIVISION]    | £25 £30     |
| 23 [E]      | REGISTERED REFEREES appointed as ASSISTANTS [ALL OTHER DIVISIONS] | £22 £25     |

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- ❖ **RULES FOR KNOCK-OUT COMPETITIONS**
- ❖ **CUP RULE 3** No player shall be allowed to compete if:
  - ❖ [a] he has played for another team in the same competition in the same season.
  - ❖ **DELETE:** [b] CENTENARY CUP: Any player who has played in the Bedfordshire FA Senior Trophy or the Britannia Cup for another team in the current season shall be ineligible to play.
  - ❖ **JUBILEE CUP:** as Centenary Cup, plus any player who has played in the Bedfordshire FA Intermediate Cup or the Centenary Cup for another team in the current season shall be ineligible to play.
  - ❖ **WATSON SHIELD:** As Jubilee Cup, plus any player who has played in the Jubilee Cup for another team in the current season shall be ineligible to play.
  - ❖ **ADD:** [b] he has played in ANY County FA or League cup competition, in the same season, which is ranked higher and for which his team is not eligible to enter.
- ❖ **CUP RULE 4** **DELETE:** The names of all players in the semi-finals and finals must have played in a minimum of four Bedfordshire County Football League games for the Club he is representing. **ADD:** [a] Players involved in Semi-Finals and Finals must have played at least four times in the current season for the CLUB they wish to represent (League, League Cup, County Cup and FA Competition matches only apply).
- ❖ [b] In the case of Postponed, Abandoned or Replayed matches, only those players who were eligible on the day on which the match was originally played shall be allowed to play, except that a player under suspension on the date of the original fixture shall be deemed eligible at the time of the replayed or rearranged game, providing his period of suspension has expired before the date of the replayed or rearranged game.
- ❖ **APPENDIX 'A'** .....
- ❖ In addition, all Premier Division Clubs must mark two Technical Areas on the same side of the pitch in the area adjacent to the half way line, INSIDE THE BARRIER leaving sufficient space for the Assistant Referee to operate. These areas may be formed by using the touchline rope, or by markings on the ground. **DELETE: It will be expected that all Club Officials and substitute players remain in the technical area or behind the rope barrier for the duration of the match.** **ADD:** Permitted occupants of the technical area will be named substitutes and a maximum of 3 club officials (8 people in total) Any person acting as a physio/emergency first aider within the technical area MUST be identified to the referee when the Team Sheet is submitted. Minors under the age of 16 are not permitted. Smoking or the consumption of alcohol are prohibited.
- ❖ Occupants of the technical area are always to behave responsibly. Misconduct by any occupant of the technical area will be reported by the Referee to the FA.

- ❖ Date of next full meeting: **WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2019** starting at 7pm at Elstow Village Hall.

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- ❖ There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.20p.m.
- ❖ G. B. Snelson, General Secretary

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