



BEDFORDSHIRE COUNTY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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MINUTES: MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY 5TH JANUARY 2017

7PM AT AFC KEMPSTON, HILLGROUNDS ROAD, KEMPSTON

MEMBERS PRESENT: Messrs BT Watson [Chairman], P Francis [Vice-Chairman], B Hallybone, PJ Onion, GB Snelson [General Secretary]. **CLUB REPRESENTATIVES:** Messrs R Simmonds [Elstow Abbey FC and League Charter Standard Coordinator], G Ingerson [AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College]. **APOLOGIES:** Messrs TM Sadler [President], B Humphries, R Leonard, K Redman. **CLUB REPRESENTATIVE** D Gauntlett [Shefford Town and Campton FC], **LIFE VICE-PRESIDENT:** Mr J Warner. **BEDFORDSHIRE F.A. REPRESENTATIVE:** Mr A Scott

1 PREVIOUS MEETING

- ❖ The minutes of the Management Committee meetings of 1st December 2016 were signed as a true record.

2 MATTERS ARISING

- ❖ Progress with Club Assistant Referee training and Adult only Referee Course. From Mike Desborough, Beds FA:
 - *As of today we have only had 5 candidates sign up to the adult only course in March, despite our best attempts to market this across the leagues, social media and our own website.* Matter continuing.
- ❖ League Sponsorship opportunities: Gary Ingerson briefed the Committee on some ideas he wished to follow and reported back. Matter continuing.
- ❖ **CS Rovers:** Incorrect rule application on reference 2016.12-02 – 2nd occurrence therefore fine to be applied, see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-01

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:**
 - FA Inter-League Cup season 2017-2018. League to enter – action with Peter Francis.
 - Groundsman of the Year – Beds FA to send out information to Step 7 [and below] leagues shortly with a return date of 10th February for nominations.
 - League Development Plan/Summary - Funding for Season 2016/17. From The FA:
 - *I am pleased to advise you that the Committee agreed that a total grant of **£6,800** be made towards the overall plan of the Bedfordshire League for Season 2016/17. This consists of an Administration Grant of £3,000 and an Additional Grant of £3,800 for the following initiatives:*
 - £400 - First Aid/Twitter £200 - Player Development £800 - Footballs £600 - Workforce (IT) £800 - Coaching Courses £1,000 - Facilities.
 - Online Player Registration season 2017-2018 – webinar sessions scheduled. Messrs Snelson and Francis to join the meeting plus any other members on request.
 - Circulation of Safeguarding Film – forwarded to all Clubs.
- ❖ **Bedfordshire Football Association:**
 - Various minutes of meetings
- ❖ **Clifton** re Jubilee Cup Group Stage. Comments noted.
- ❖ From referee Andy Williams [via Mike Desborough and Brian Humphries]. Attended Kempston Hammers Sports [KHS] v Atletico Europa following the withdrawal of KHS. Agreed League to pay the referee half fee.
- ❖ Brian Humphries re Stevington v Caldecote match 3rd December 2016 – very positive comments regarding match and after match hospitality.

4 FINANCE

- ❖ All fines levied at the December 2016 meeting have been paid.
- ❖ Draft accounts for 2016 were tabled for discussion.

5 TROPHIES & MEMENTOES

- ❖ *Trophies need to be engraved sometime over the next few months, but no later than 31st March 2017.*

6 TRANSFERS

Troy Birch	Totternhoe Reserves to Wootton Blue Cross
Kwame Richards	Totternhoe Reserves to Wootton Blue Cross.
Paul Beith	Sandy Albion to Sandy FC.
Ricky Aris	Ickwell & Old Warden to Caldecote

7 ALTERATIONS TO HANDBOOK

- ❖ New online version of the handbook [revision 3 dated 3rd January 2017] published to all Clubs. Currently renegotiating support deal with former Citroën dealers Wests.

8 REFEREE SECRETARY REPORT

- ❖ No report available.

9 FIXTURE REPORT

❖ FREE WEEK REQUESTS:

- **Sharnbrook:** Saturday 11th February and Saturday 4th March

- **Sundon Park Rovers:** Saturday 18th February
- **Potton Town:** Saturday 11th March and Saturday 18th March
- ❖ **MATCHES NOT PLAYED, OTHER THAN WEATHER POSTPONEMENTS**
- ❖ 3rd December 2016. **Premier Division** supported by Sportsform. Flitwick Town v **Ickwell & Old Warden**. Ickwell & Old Warden unable to raise a team. Three [3] match points awarded to Flitwick Town.
 - Ickwell & Old Warden fined as per rule and tariff, and deducted one [1] match point, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-02**
- ❖ 3rd December 2016. **Jubilee Cup Group A.** AFC Oakley M&DH Reserves v **AFC Dunton**. AFC Dunton withdrawn 1st Dec.
 - AFC Dunton record deleted. See also item 16 below.
- ❖ 3rd December 2016. **Jubilee Cup Group B.** Atletico Europa v **Clifton**. Clifton unable to raise a team. Three [3] match points awarded to Atletico Europa.
 - Clifton fined as per rule and tariff, and deducted one [1] match point, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-03**
- ❖ 3rd December 2016. **Jubilee Cup Group C.** **CS Rovers** v **Sandy Reserves**. Sandy Reserves unable to raise a team. Three [3] match points awarded to CS Rovers.
 - Sandy Reserves fined as per rule and tariff, and deducted one [1] match point, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-04**
 - From Referee Paul Medlin: No confirmation from CS Rovers, attended match.
 - CS Rovers fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-05**
 - League to pay full referee fee.
- ❖ 10th December 2016. **Division One.** Henlow v **Meltis Albion**. Meltis Albion unable to raise a team. Three [3] match points awarded to Henlow.
 - Meltis Albion fined as per rule and tariff, and deducted one [1] match point, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-06**
- ❖ 10th December 2016. **Division One.** Totternhoe Reserves v **Westoning**. Westoning unable to raise a team. Three [3] match points awarded to Totternhoe Reserves.
 - Westoning fined as per rule and tariff, and deducted one [1] match point, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-07**
- ❖ 10th December 2016. **Jubilee Cup Group E.** Flitwick Town Reserves v **Marston Shelton Rovers Reserves**. Marston Shelton Rovers Reserves unable to raise a team. Three [3] match points awarded to Flitwick Town Reserves.
 - Marston Shelton Rovers Reserves fined as per rule and tariff, and deducted one [1] match point, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-08**
- ❖ 10th December 2016. **Jubilee Cup Group E.** Harlington v **White Eagles**. White Eagles unable to raise a team. Three [3] match points awarded to Harlington.
 - White Eagles fined as per rule and tariff, and deducted one [1] match point, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-09**
- ❖ 10th December 2016. **Jubilee Cup Group H.** Wixams v **Lidlington United Sports**. Lidlington United Sports unable to raise a team. Three [3] match points awarded to Wixams.
 - Lidlington United Sports fined as per rule and tariff, and deducted one [1] match point, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-10**
- ❖ 17th December 2016. **Premier Division** supported by Sportsform. Stevington v Kempston Rovers Development. Flood damage to changing rooms complex.
 - Match to be rearranged.
- ❖ 17th December 2016. **Jubilee Cup Group B.** **Clifton** v Riseley Sports. Clifton unable to raise a team. Three [3] match points awarded to Riseley Sports.
 - Clifton fined as per rule and tariff, and deducted two [2] match point, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-11**
- ❖ 17th December 2016. **Jubilee Cup Group C.** Sandy Reserves v Kempston Athletic. Game abandoned after 30 minutes due to serious injury to Kempston Athletic player.
 - Match to be rearranged.
- ❖ 17th December 2016. **Premier Division.** Ampthill Town Reserves v **Sandy**. Sandy late request for free date. Sub-Committee agreed free date. Full Committee discussed special circumstances applying to this fixture and ratified the sub-committee decision. Match to be rearranged.
- ❖ Saturday 3rd December 2016: **Jubilee Cup group G:** **Henlow Reserves** v Wootton Village. Henlow failed to notify opponents.
 - Henlow Reserves fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-12**

10 REGISTRATIONS, RESULTS, PRESS & MEDIA SECRETARY REPORT

- ❖ **THE FOLLOWING ARE STANDARD DECISIONS AS PER RULE REQUIRING RATIFICATION BY FULL COMMITTEE:**
- **Ampthill Town Reserves.** In breach of league rule 11C in failing by the deadline of Wednesday Midnight 7th December 2016 to load onto Full Time their result sheet for their game played on Saturday 3rd December 2016 against Shefford Town & Campton. Report notice issued by email on Thursday 8th December 2016. **1st Occurrence.** Result sheet loaded Thursday 8th December 2016.
 - Club warned as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-13**
- **CS Rovers.** In breach of league rule 11C in failing by the deadline of Wednesday Midnight 14th December 2016 to load onto Full Time their result sheet for their game played on Saturday 10th December 2016 against Kempston Athletic. Report notice issued by email on Thursday 15th December 2016. **1st Occurrence.** Result Sheet loaded Friday 16th December 2016.
 - Club warned as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-14**
- **CS Rovers.** In breach of league rule 11C in failing by the deadline of Wednesday Midnight 21st December 2016 to load onto Full Time their completed result sheet for their game played on Saturday 17th December 2016 against Caldecote Reserves. Report notice issued by email on Thursday 22nd December 2016. **2nd Occurrence.** Result Sheet loaded Monday 19th December 2016 with missing referee mark (email reminder sent same day)
 - Club fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-15**
- **Henlow Reserves.** In breach of league rule 11C in failing by the deadline of Wednesday Midnight 21st December 2016 to load onto Full Time their result sheet for their game played on Saturday 17th December 2016 against Sundon Park Rovers. Report notice issued by email on Thursday 22nd December 2016. **2nd Occurrence.**
 - Club fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-16**
- **Houghton Athletic.** In breach of league rule 11B in failing by the deadline of 5pm on Saturday 10th December 2016 to report the result of their game against Wilstead Reserves. Report notice issued by email on Sunday 11th December 2016. Result text received at 5.24pm. **1st Occurrence.**
 - Club warned as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-17**
- **Lidlington United Sports.** In breach of league rule 11C in failing by the deadline of Wednesday Midnight 7th December 2016 to load onto Full Time their result sheet for their game played on Saturday 3rd December 2016 against

Shefford Town & Campton A. Report notice issued by email on Thursday 8th December 2016. **1st Occurrence**. Result sheet loaded Thursday 8th December 2016.

- Club warned as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-18**
- **Potton Town**. In breach of league rule 11C in failing by the deadline of Wednesday Midnight 14h December 2016 to load onto Full Time their result sheet for their game played on Saturday 10th December 2016 against AFC Oakley M&DH Reserves. Report notice issued by email on Thursday 15th December 2016. **2nd Occurrence**. Result Sheet loaded Friday 16th December 2016.
- Club fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-19**
- **Renhold United Reserves**. In breach of league rule 11C in failing by the deadline of Wednesday Midnight 14h December 2016 to load onto Full Time their result sheet for their game played on Saturday 10th December 2016 against Flitwick Town A. Report notice issued by email on Thursday 15th December 2016. **1st Occurrence**.
- Club warned as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-20**
- **Shefford Town & Campton Reserves**: In breach of league rule 11B in failing on Saturday 3rd December 2016 to report the result of their game against Elstow Abbey by the deadline of 5pm. Result phoned in at 5.11pm. Report notice issued by email on Saturday 3rd December 2016. **1st Occurrence**.
- Club warned as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-21**
- **Shefford Town & Campton Reserves**. In breach of league rule 8C that in their game on Saturday 3rd December 2016 against Elstow Abbey (won 2-1) they played four players who at the start of the game were classed as 1st team players, namely Matthew Allen [9 first/1 reserves], Ross Earl [5/5], Andrew Hayday [10/0], Tom Scurfield [8/0]. Report notice issued to club by email on Saturday 10th December 2016. **1st Occurrence**.
- Match points [3] gained by Shefford Town & Campton Reserves deducted plus a further one [1] point as per rule. Match score amended to 0-0 with no points gained by either team. Shefford Town & Campton Reserves fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-22**
- **Sundon Park Rovers**. In breach of league rule 11B in failing by the deadline of 5pm on Saturday 17th December 2016 to report the result of their game against Henlow Reserves. Report notice issued by email on Sunday 18th December 2016. Result text received at 5.18pm. **1st Occurrence**.
- Club warned as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-23**
- **Wootton Blue Cross**. In breach of league rule 11B in failing by the deadline of 5pm on Saturday 10th December 2016 to report the result of their game against Cranfield United. Report notice issued by email on Sunday 11th December 2016. Result text received at 5.22pm. **1st Occurrence**.
- Club warned as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-24**

❖ **RULE INTERPRETATION**

- ❖ **Rule8[C]** *A team shall not include more than 3 players who have taken part in more senior competition matches during the current season unless a period of 21 days has elapsed since they played.*
 - **INTERPRETATION: This applies to players playing in teams at STEP 6 or above of the National League System. Teams affected in BCFL: Amptill Town Reserves, Crawley Green Reserves, Kempston Rovers Development.**
- ❖ *For the purpose of this Competition a senior competition is one at a higher level than this Competition in the National League System. Also for the purpose of this rule this includes players from a higher division team, **three of whom may only play in the next lower ranked team of the Club, i.e. first team to second team or second team to third team.** A player who has played 50% of HIS games for the higher division team shall be deemed to be a higher division player. Any additional higher division/senior competition players shall be deemed ineligible and dealt with under rule 8[O]. No such restrictions to HIGHER DIVISION players shall apply to matches played before 1st November or to any player that has played six games or less by 1st January and nine games or less by 15th March.*
 - **INTERPRETATION: This applies to players playing in BCFL teams at STEP 7 [Premier] of the National League System and all teams in any other division of BCFL. For the purpose of this rule, and for fairness and consistency, teams in other Leagues playing at STEP 7 [e.g. SSMFL Div.2] are deemed to be Premier Division teams. Teams affected in BCFL: Old Bradwell United Reserves, The 61 FC [Luton]Reserves, Totternhoe Reserves.**

❖ **FULL COMMITTEE DECISIONS:**

- **Old Bradwell United Reserves**: In breach of league rule 8C that in their game on Saturday 10th December 2016 against Elstow Abbey (won 5-0) they played four players who at the start of the game were classed as 1st team players, namely Peter Bentley [20 first/0 Reserves], Duane Bhasin [13/0], Ross Butler [18/0], Peter Maxey [17/0]. Report notice issued to club by email on Monday 12th December 2016. **1st Occurrence**.
- Match points [3] gained by Old Bradwell United Reserves deducted plus a further one [1] point as per rule. Match score amended to 0-0 with no points gained by either team. Old Bradwell United Reserves fined as per rule, **see item 15 below, reference 2017.01-25**
- **Renhold United**. Investigation report on use of Jason Allison in game against Kempston Rovers Development on Saturday 22nd October 2016 whilst under Beds FA suspension. Beds FA Case 8828556. Club to be charged by BCFL.
- **The 61FC Luton Reserves**. Investigation report on alleged use of unregistered player [Matthew Conway] by The 61FC Luton Reserves in their game against Cople & Bedford SA on Saturday 17th December 2016 following complaint raised by Cople & Bedford SA on 23rd December 2016. Club to be charged by BCFL.
- ❖
- ❖ Total number of registered players to 2nd January 2017: **2118**
- ❖ Website Statistics for 2016.
 - Total number of visitors. 306575.
 - Average per month thus being 25548. If you take out the non-playing months average increases to 27907.
 - Best month being October, 31508. Worst month inside playing season being February 24441.
- ❖

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.**

12 REPRESENTATIVE FOOTBALL

- ❖ See item 3 above **The Football Association**.

13 CHARTER STANDARD LEAGUE

- ❖ As previously reported, League Charter Standard Co-ordinator Roland Simmonds [01234 217688 or 07501059080] will continue to assist Clubs in achieving or maintaining CS status.
- ❖ Poor response to date. Clubs are reminded of the League requirement for all Clubs to attain CS status.

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 Teams have reached stage R6 [6 cautions] and have received a warning from Beds FA:
 - **PREMIER DIVISION:** Ickwell & Old Warden, Marston Shelton Rovers, Caldecote, Wootton Blue Cross
 - **OTHER DIVISIONS:** Crawley Green Reserves, Meltis Albion
 - No teams have yet reached stage R10 [10 cautions]. Teams reaching this stage will be fined, by the Beds FA, £75 for Premier Division teams and £50 for all other teams. Teams reaching stage R15 [15 cautions] will be fined £150 for Premier Division teams and £100 for all other teams.

15 CURRENT FINES

- ❖ Fines/warnings levied at this meeting:

REF	CLUB	DATE	DESCRIPTION	FINE	POINTS	RULE	DUE DATE
2017.01-01	CS Rovers	19 November 2016	Failure to provide details of a fixture [2nd].	£15		10-D: 05-D	30 January 2017
2017.01-02	Ickwell & Old Warden	03 December 2016	Failure to fulfill a fixture [Sat 1st]	£40	-1	10-F	30 January 2017
2017.01-03	Clifton	03 December 2016	Failure to fulfill a fixture [Sat 1st]	£25	-1	10-F	30 January 2017
2017.01-04	Sandy Reserves	03 December 2016	Failure to fulfill a fixture [Sat 1st]	£25	-1	10-F	30 January 2017
2017.01-05	CS Rovers	03 December 2016	Failure to provide details of a fixture [3rd].	£15		10-D: 05-D	30 January 2017
2017.01-06	Meltis Albion	10 December 2016	Failure to fulfill a fixture [Sat 1st]	£25	-1	10-F	30 January 2017
2017.01-07	Westoning	10 December 2016	Failure to fulfill a fixture [Sat 1st]	£25	-1	10-F	30 January 2017
2017.01-08	Marston Shelton Rovers Reserves	10 December 2016	Failure to fulfill a fixture [Sat 1st]	£25	-1	10-F	30 January 2017
2017.01-09	White Eagles	10 December 2016	Failure to fulfill a fixture [Sat 1st]	£25	-1	10-F	30 January 2017
2017.01-10	Lidlington United Sports	10 December 2016	Failure to fulfill a fixture [Sat 1st]	£25	-1	10-F	30 January 2017
2017.01-11	Clifton	17 December 2016	Failure to fulfill a fixture [Sat 2nd]	£40	-2	10-F	30 January 2017
2017.01-12	Henlow Reserves	03 December 2016	Failure to provide details of a fixture [1st].	warning		10-D: 05-D	no fine [1st occur.]
2017.01-13	Amphill Town Reserves	03 December 2016	Failure to complete online Match Notification by deadline [1st]	warning		11-C	no fine [1st occur.]
2017.01-14	CS Rovers	10 December 2016	Failure to complete online Match Notification by deadline [1st]	warning		11-C	no fine [1st occur.]
2017.01-15	CS Rovers	17 December 2016	Failure to complete online Match Notification by deadline [2nd]	£15		11-C	30 January 2017
2017.01-16	Henlow Reserves	17 December 2016	Failure to complete online Match Notification by deadline [2nd]	£15		11-C	30 January 2017
2017.01-17	Houghton Athletic	10 December 2016	Failure to provide result [1st]	warning		11-B	no fine [1st occur.]
2017.01-18	Lidlington United Sports	03 December 2016	Failure to complete online Match Notification by deadline [1st]	warning		11-C	no fine [1st occur.]
2017.01-19	Potton Town	10 December 2016	Failure to complete online Match Notification by deadline [2nd]	£15		11-C	30 January 2017
2017.01-20	Renhold United Reserves	10 December 2016	Failure to complete online Match Notification by deadline [1st]	warning		11-C	no fine [1st occur.]
2017.01-21	Shefford Town & Campton Res	03 December 2016	Failure to provide result [1st]	warning		11-B	no fine [1st occur.]
2017.01-22	Shefford Town & Campton Res	03 December 2016	Playing an ineligible player [1st]	£20	-1	08-O	30 January 2017
2017.01-23	Sundon Park Rovers	17 December 2016	Failure to provide result [1st]	warning		11-B	no fine [1st occur.]
2017.01-24	Wootton Blue Cross	10 December 2016	Failure to provide result [1st]	warning		11-B	no fine [1st occur.]
2017.01-25	Old Bradwell United Reserves	10 December 2016	Playing an ineligible player [1st]	£20	-1	08-O	30 January 2017
2017.01-24	AFC Dunton	01 December 2016	Withdrawing after AGM & before completion of fixtures	£75		14-B	Club deposit used as payment.

PAYMENT DETAILS FOR JANUARY 2017: CHEQUES are to be made payable to Bedfordshire Football League and sent to The Treasurer, Barry Watson, 17 Buttercup Close, Bedford MK42 0RE . 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 and also **please advise BY TEXT on 07831413839**

16 NEW TEAMS and WITHDRAWALS

- ❖ New Teams: Nothing to report.
- ❖ Withdrawals: **AFC Dunton** [from Division Three]. Club fined as per rule [£75] – Club deposit used to pay fine, **see item 15 above, reference 2017.01-26**

17 LEAGUE DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW

- ❖ #●Action from Plan – Bedfordshire FA support
- ❖ **Running The League**
- ❖ 1●FA Emergency Aid qualified personnel at all Clubs for all Teams
 - 1A●To check qualifications of all Club First Aiders in League from a list provided by the League. **COMPLETED.**
 - 1B●To liaise with League in arranging EA courses as required. **Roland Simmonds - ON GOING.**
- ❖ 2●Extend the use of FA Full Time software, and the on-going interface with Whole Game System, in the collection of match results and goal scorers.
 - 2●To provide support. **NOT YET STARTED**
- ❖ 3●Invitation for Bedfordshire FA staff to attend League Management meetings twice during the season.
 - 3●Beds FA staff [as appropriate] to attend League Management Committee meeting in November 2016 and March 2017. Additionally in September 2016. **COMPLETED FOR 2016 – ON GOING INTO 2017.**
- ❖ 4●To dramatically improve the number of followers of the League Twitter site.
 - 4●To involve Beds FA Youth Council and to manage the use of the League-owned I-pad Mini. **COMPLETED – I-Pad purchased and Chris Howes from Beds FA Youth Council nominated to be first I-pad holder. 237 followers 4/1/17**
- ❖ **Sustain and Increase Participation**
- ❖ 5●In co-operation with the Bedfordshire FA, the League will once again look to sponsor 10 new, possibly young [over 16 years], referees with a view to them officiating in the League. The League will pay a sum of £100 per referee, towards course fees and kit purchases, following the 6th [sixth] BCFL match completed by any new match official.
 - 5●To identify suitable candidates and put them in contact with the League. **IN HAND FOR COURSE IN MARCH 2017**
- ❖ 6●Explore the introduction of a 'split season' in the lower divisions of the League
 - 6●To provide support and expertise in developing this initiative. **NOT STARTED.**
- ❖ **Player Development- Environment**
- ❖ 7●In conjunction with Bedfordshire FA, re-introduce a short, one-evening training course for Club Assistant Referees. Devise incentives/rewards for training and performance at matches.
 - 7●To provide a course and course tutor. **IN HAND.**
- ❖ **Player Development- Coaching**
- ❖ 8●The League will pay 50% of the course fees for one person per Club attending a Bedfordshire FA Level 2 Coaching Course. This will be limited to 5 persons per season.
 - 8A●To publicise the initiative via Beds FA and League Twitter sites. **COMPLETED.**
 - 8B●To provide the opportunity for financial help in the form of bursaries. **COMPLETED FOR SEASON 2016-2017.**
- ❖ **Improve Training and Playing Facilities**
- ❖ 9●Support to Clubs particularly in Premier Division and Division One in order for them to improve their facilities where necessary.
 - 9●Management Committee reviews with Bedfordshire FA. **ON GOING.**

18 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- ❖ Date of next full meeting: **Thursday 2nd February 2017** starting at **7pm at Kempston Rovers FC**
- ❖ League minutes to be added to website.
- ❖ **League owned DELL INSPIRON 530S PC [cleaned ready for software [not include]], plus monitor, keyboard [no mouse], printer and scanner available free to Club Officer. Contact General Secretary. Decision at February Management Committee meeting if more than one expression of interest.**
- ❖ There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.40p.m.
- ❖ G. B. Snelson, General Secretary
- ❖ <https://twitter.com/bedscountyfc>



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