



BEDFORDSHIRE COUNTY FOOTBALL LEAGUE

PRESIDENT: MR T. SADLER

HON GENERAL SECRETARY: MR G. B. SNELSON

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MINUTES: MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER 2020

At Elstow Playing Field Pavilion, starting at 7pm

MEMBERS: Messrs BT Watson [Chairman], P Francis [Vice-Chairman, Registration and Media Secretary], M Baxter, M Benson [Treasurer], R Horswell [Referee Secretary], K Redman, GB Snelson [General and Fixture Secretary].

CLUB REPRESENTATIVES: Mr R Simmonds [Elstow Abbey FC & League Charter Standard Coordinator], D Gauntlett [Shefford Town & Campton FC].

APOLOGIES: Messrs TM Sadler, B Hallybone [Assistant Referee Secretary].

1. PREVIOUS MEETINGS

- ❖ The minutes of the Management Committee meetings held on 5th March 2020, 2nd July, 23rd July, and 6th August agreed for signature.

2. MATTERS ARISING

- ❖ None

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**
 - Whole Game System – response times. Noted.
- ❖ **Bedfordshire FA**
 - Bedford Park Pitches – some unavailability. Noted.

4. FINANCE

- ❖ The Committee were update on current situation regarding any outstanding debts.

5. TROPHIES & MEMENTOES

- ❖ Nothing to report.

6. TRANSFERS

- ❖ None to record

7. ALTERATIONS TO HANDBOOK

- ❖ New season handbook NOT available by mid August. The intention is now to publish an limited online handbook with League contacts, League Rules and a Club Directory. This to be available by Saturday 19th September.

8. REFEREE SECRETARY REPORT & REFEREEING MATTERS

- ❖ General update from Richard Horswell, who added his thanks to the previous Referee Secretary Bradley Hallybone for his support during the handover.

9. FIXTURE REPORT

- ❖ Fixtures to commence on 26th September 2020.

10. REGISTRATIONS, RESULTS, PRESS & MEDIA SECRETARY REPORT

- ❖ General update from Peter Francis.

11. NATIONAL LEAGUE SYSTEM including FACILITIES

- ❖ **Team Shelters:** Shelters to be purchased for **AFC Kempston Town & Bedford College/Renhold FC, Flitwick Town, Wilstead and Stevington**. Shelters will be required for **Marston Shelton Rovers** on their return to Marston.
 - Sets to be ordered for the above Clubs. 10 sets @ £169.99 [2019 price] = £1699.90

12. REPRESENTATIVE FOOTBALL

- ❖ Nothing to report.

13. CHARTER STANDARD LEAGUE

- ❖ Nothing to report.

14. RESPECT and COUNTY FA DISCIPLINE

- ❖ Nothing to report.

15. CURRENT FINES

Nothing to report – see item 18 below

16. APPLICATIONS & WITHDRAWALS

- ❖ The following Teams have decided not to enter this season: Stopsley United Development, FC Polonia [Bedford], Lidlington United Sports, Wixams Wanderers, Stevington Reserves. 79 teams participating.
- ❖ *Post meeting note: Wootton Village decided not to enter, leaving 78 teams participating.*

17. LEAGUE DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW

- ❖ **FAIR PLAY AWARDS 2020-2021:** Will be based upon the full season statistics.

18. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- ❖ The Chairman noted the sad and untimely death of Martin Brookes, a long standing member of the Bedfordshire FA Council and the Bedford and District Sunday Football League. The members of the Committee paid their respects.
- ❖ There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8 p.m.
- ❖ G. B. Snelson, General Secretary

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Signed.....
BT Watson, Chairman
1st October 2020

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