

**CHESHIRE GIRLS FOOTBALL LEAGUE  
MANAGEMENT/LEAGUE COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY 30 JANUARY 2018  
AT RUDHEATH LEISURE CENTRE, NORTHWICH, 8.15PM**

**MINUTES**

- 1) **Members Present:** AFC Waverton, Appleton AFC, Blacon Youth FC, Cheshire Blades, Chester & District Girls, Crewe FC, Crosfields JFC, Cuddington and Sandiway, Davenham JFC, Egerton FC, Frodsham Juniors, Hartford FC, Lymm Rovers, Macclesfield Town Ladies, Middlewich Centurions FC, Middlewich Town FC, Northwich Vickies, Sandbach Utd, Upton JFC (Chester), Vale Juniors FC, Whitchurch Alport Juniors, Wilmslow Town, Witton Albion Juniors. Winsford Diamonds also attended.
  
- 2) **Apologies for absence:** Ben Howard, Grappenhall Sports, Runcorn Linnets,  
  
**Members Not Present:** Holmes Chapel Hurricanes, Grappenhall Sports, Runcorn Linnets
  
- 3) **Cheshire FA Matters** - Steph Knott raised following:
  - FA Level 1 Coaching course aimed at females is being held at Ellesmere Port on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2018 – Contact Cheshire FA this week if you want to go on it.
  - CPD Event Female Coaches 13<sup>th</sup> February at Manchester City Academy – It's a free event, details left for anyone interested to collect that night.
  - Kick it out Football Tournament run by LGBT on the 24<sup>th</sup> February at Cheshire FA, it is free to enter for women open age. There are lots of things to do. Starts at 2pm at Moss Farm.
  - Tournament at Liverpool feds if anyone interested. Contact Steph for details.
  - FA running another girls football week 23<sup>rd</sup> to 29<sup>th</sup> April. Register on the FA website to find out more information.
  - Grow the game grant is opening early February if any club is looking at new female teams girls/womens/disability open age you can get some funding through the football foundation website.
  
- 4) **Minutes of the meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2017:** Proposed – Northwich Vickies, Seconded - Crosfields JFC
  
- 5) **Matters Arising: None not already on agenda.**
  
- 6) **Secretary's report and Referees' Report:** Kath Burgess.
  - **League Plans for next season** – Kath presented the proposal for next season for discussion: U9s (which can include U8s), U10's, U11's and U12's would be single age groups. We would also move back to U14's and U16's – 11 a side. Depending on the number of teams, the football day may have to be extended and more venues used to get small sided games on 3G. Clubs will also have to be flexible about kick off times throughout the season to accommodate the normal change of competitions. Following various discussions around the proposal, on a vote it was 21 people for it and 2 people against it. More information will be given at the AGM and put on web site.

- **County Cup U15's Final** – This will be held on the 10<sup>th</sup> March at Heswall and congratulations to Davenham for getting to the final against Broughton. Kick off time is yet to be confirmed.
- **Winsford Diamonds – Friendlies** They are a new team operating and would like to have some friendlies. They have U11's and U13's and if you are interested in a friendly then please contact Danny Tease on the twitter account
- **Return of Trophies** – Kath will be issuing a timetable shortly for the return of trophies where she will arrange to be at Cheshire FA and you can bring the trophies back.

7) **Correspondence:** None

8) **Treasurer's Report: Kath Burgess**

- Balance in accounts at 5 February: £3018.09. .
- Pitch fees will be coming out shortly (for Sept to Dec), please arrange to pay promptly.

9) **Registrations' Secretary Report: Harvey Powell**

- Just a reminder transfer deadline( between Clubs and teams) day is the 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018. They have to be on the whole game system by midnight on that date. New Registration deadline is 31<sup>st</sup> March 2018.
- Harvey will be issuing a note shortly regarding audit of players' ages. Two players from each team will be randomly selected. Please provide copies of birth certificates/passports for these girls to Harvey by the end of February 2018.
- In a positive step we have been looking for help to Sponsor the League and we will have some good news at the AGM on this area.

10) **League Fixtures Secretary's Report: Neil Gill**

- We are looking at a Cup/Shield for the U13's and U15's shortly so check the fixtures.
- When the clocks go forward in order to try to catch up games we will be playing midweek night games, again check the website frequently..
- U9's and U11's Development games we may have to finish these leagues short in order to get the games in due to the number of weekend fixtures we have lost.
- Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> May is the last Saturday we play.
- We are not playing Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> or Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February for Half Term and Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> March (Easter weekend) there will be no games also.

11) **League Welfare Officer's Report: - Andy Thomas**

- Remind you to please ensure that you link your Managers to the club and team on the WGS. This step is being missed by some Clubs and we then cannot see these individuals.
- Awaiting to hear confirmation from the FA on what they want us to do if there is no qualified person running a team on a Saturday. They are asking us to suspend fixtures which obviously we do not want to do.
- Reminder for 9 a side and 11 a side games make sure the respect barriers cover ½ the length of the pitch.

12) **AOB:**

- Kath raised the issue around girls wearing hats on a Saturday to play in Everyone's view was that this was acceptable as long as it was a plain beanie hat with no badges or bobbles on top.
- Can you please remind parents/spectators **NO DOGS** are allowed on Moss Farm Site.
- Also reminder to managers to please stay in your technical areas whilst your teams are playing.
  
- Kath to send a reminder to referees around glasses rules. Can all secretary's please also remind all the coaches as well.

13) **Date of next meeting: Tuesday 27 March 2018 at 8.15 pm at Rudheath Leisure Centre**

**AGM is 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

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