



OLD WHITGIFTIANS CRICKET CLUB

THE CLUBHOUSE, CROHAM MANOR ROAD, SOUTH CROYDON, SURREY CR2 7BG

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MINUTES OF 2017 AGM (15 February 2018)

1) Attendance and Apologies for absence

PRESENT: Paul Kerr, David Hagger, John Carter, Indy Chatwal, Adam Clarke, Abhinay Raj, Arun Ramamurthy, Mike Carpenter, Sadiq Khan, Jon Higgins, Nick Bonneywell, Stuart Barradell, Siddharth Bhatia, Mohan Elango, Raj Chatwal

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Shirish Patel, Gary Kenton, Stuart Woodrow, Mike Thorn, James Goatcher, James Schad and Richard Chilvers

2) Minutes of 2016 AGM, held on 10 November 2016.

The minutes of the 2016 AGM held on 10 November 2016 were approved as a correct record subject to a minor amendment regarding the discussion on sponsorship.

Proposed by Nick Bonneywell and seconded by Indy Chatwal

3) Matters arising, other than those on the agenda

Paul Kerr discussed matters arising during the year. In particular, he noted that the delay for holding the meeting was the WSC's demand for additional cash of £26k. It was agreed that WSC would allow us to fund the nets and thus reduced their demands.

4) Hon Secretary's report

The Secretary's report was received and approved as proposed.

Proposed by Abhinay Raj and seconded by Jon Higgins

5) Accounts for year ending 30 September 2017

These were not ready by the meeting - Nick Bonneywell noted his displeasure at these not being ready on time

6) Election of Officers for 2017 season

The notice was amended as follows: Chairman of Marketing renamed as Chairman of Sponsorship and Indy Chatwal nominated as social secretary.

The election of officers as per the notice was approved unanimously by all those present.

7) AOB

The meeting discussed whether it would be possible to have an annual dinner. It was noted that previous attendance levels had been variable and it was often loss making. Therefore, it was noted the Committee had no intention of holding further annual dinners in the winter.

The meeting discussed whether subs at £220 per year was value for money considering subs at other clubs were as low as £125.

The meeting also discussed that colts subs and the cost of colts coaching - it was noted that costs of coaching was largely covered by the subs and that the colts would be looking to reduce these costs. The meeting noted that the offers to volunteer made in the previous year had not been taken up fully, but the offer for members to volunteer was re-emphasised.

It was noted that the club had 49 adult members during 2017, which was lower than optimal. The club's finances were discussed - the scale of costs wasn't currently known and allocation of costs to activities.

The collection of match fees was discussed - it was noted other clubs used apps to ensure fees were collected using GoCardless.

There was a discussion of the overall route forward for the club. Members discussed the need for the aim and ethos to be defined and then problems identified. The aims of the club were discussed and members discussed the need to be playing the highest standard of cricket possible. The need to celebrate our successes was emphasised, noting that the colts hosted a highly successful annual presentation.

Training and coaching for adult members were discussed. Members of the committee noted that funds were short at present and the committee could not commit to hiring a coach for net sessions but noted that a number of members were qualified coaches and thus could offer advice/support to other members. Members reported that the provision of a training strip was welcomed for Thursday night training - however, at times this was not maintained properly. It was noted that this would be feedback to the groundsmen.

A complaint was made about drunken rugby players being present at times, and reducing the enjoyment of the game. It was requested that the bar staff would be asked to stop serving to allow others to continue to enjoy the game.

The difficulties of selection were discussed - the use of teamer was discussed and it was agreed a renewed effort would be put into using tis.

Finally, it was noted that a new tour may be run to Sri Lanka or St Lucia in February/March 2019.

8) End of meeting

The meeting closed at 21:20