CHESHIRE CRICKET CLUBS COMMITTEE

Annual General Meeting – 29th February 2024 Moss Farm 7.30 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Opened 7.30 p.m.

Chairmans Welcome

David welcomed everyone to Moss Farm, particularly those with a fair distance to travel.

Present:

David Humpage (Chairman), Brian Horrocks (Secretary), Barry Harwood (Treasurer), Derek Barnett (Officials), Julie Rafferty (Safeguarding), Brian Boys (Cheshire County League Representative), Gareth Moorhouse (Cheshire Cricket Board), David Gane (Cup and Shield), Mike Cook (deputising for Grounds Representative), Selwyn Stephenson (Cheshire Cricket League Representative), Caroline Sheridan (Women's Cricket Representative), John Petch (Cheshire County Cricket Club)

Apologies for Absence

Andy Horsfield (Grounds Representative), Duncan Anderson (Facilities Representative), David Atkinson (Grants)

Previous Minutes (8th March 2023)

These minutes were accepted as true record

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising

Chairman's Report

David reflected on a busy year for 4Cs, one in which much had been accomplished. He thanked all members for their diligent efforts. He also made special mention of the relationship with the Cheshire Cricket Board and the representatives of the Board who regularly contributed to 4Cs.

Secretary's Report

Brian reported on two items:

The 4Cs development plan had been re-visited to project a further 4 years (reported elsewhere during the following Executive meeting). This had been a positive experience and the outcome should be available soon.

Correspondence which included

- Establishment of the secretarial role taking over mid-term.
- November executive meeting items
- Establishment of 4Cs web site hosted under CCB
- CCB invoices and Funding of Chesire disability squad
- Cheshire cup and shield (reported elsewhere)

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- New constitution
- Enquiry about joining the CCL from Liverpool Superkings, not followed up to date
- AGM set up and availability
- Cheshire Cricket Board AGM and exec meeting

Treasurer and Accounts

Barry needed to make a correction to the version of accounts that had been sent round with the initial meeting notice. The corrected version is attached with these minutes. Two clubs from Liverpool failed to pay affiliations. Efforts to contact the league have been fruitless (to date).

Acceptance of the corrected accounts was proposed by Derek Barnett and seconded by Selwyn Stephenson. The meeting then accepted them unanimously.

Election of Officers

The three current incumbents for the three electable roles for 4Cs (Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer) confirmed their willingness to stand again. There being no other candidates, David, Brian and Barry continue in role.

Amendment of 4C's constitution

The AGM (or an SGM) is the only place a constitution can be amended. We had circulated a proposal for a rejuvenated constitution before the meeting. The current constitution has existed since 1998 and was in need of modernising.

John Petch (in particular) has created a new draft with contributions from various members of the executive, which was sent round with the meeting notice. Julie Rafferty contributed a proposed change to the draft which broadened out the Safeguarding elements.

Observations made on the night were:

- We have the opportunity to emphasise the crucial relationship with the Cheshire Cricket Board, which could be more forcefully highlighted
- The reference to adult cricket can be questioned. An alternative is Open Age cricket or to leave it as just recreational cricket. The final option was favored by the meeting
- The new safeguarding elements were discussed and accepted
- The meeting unanimously accepted the new constitution

It was agreed that the new constitution could now be set up with these amendments, circulated and placed on the 4Cs section of the Cheshire Cricket Board web site.

Meeting Closed 7.48 p.m.