

Minutes of Meeting

Subject: Ashford Rugby Club Committee – Web Copy

Date (Time): 10th January 2024

Minutes: John Heaver

Meeting Attendees		Distribution
John Norman (JN)	Dylan Tomkins (DT)	Committee
Vicky Norman (VN)	Mark Bowes (MEB)	Web Copy
Mick Stanley (MS)	Aaron Bowes (AB)	
Charlie Vavasour (CV)	Tim Scrivens (TS)	
Chris Dengate (CD)	John Heaver (JH)	

Committee Minutes

Apologies	10 Jan 24	John Norman
Lauren Holdstock (LH) Grant Willson (GW) Rhys Fussell (RF) Ian Foinette (IF) Adam Knight (AK) Callum Stuckey (CS)		
Administration	10 Jan 24	John Heaver
Nothing to report on admin.		
Welfare	10 Jan 24	John Heaver
DBS checks needs to be reviewed for 1 st aiders and safeguards. Nothing else to report on Welfare.		
Discipline	10 Jan 24	Grant Willson
U14s red card dealt with, one match ban, one suspended until end of season. Colts racist comment at the TJs game. GW to send letter to his equivalent at TJs. Nothing else to report on discipline.		

Finance	10 Jan 24	Charlie Vavasour
A copy of the minutes which include any finances are available behind the bar for any paid club member to review		
Subscriptions	10 Jan 24	Vacant
Subs still coming in. Nothing else to report on subscription.		
Policies and Grants	10 Jan 24	Martyn Hodge
CD to meet with Rosie to complete the diversity policy. Nothing else to report on Policies and Grants.		
Games Reports	10 Jan 24	Chris Dengate
Ashford girls have 12 U16s and 6 U18s joining the respective Kent squads with three U18s joining the Southeast England Girls Centre of Excellence. Boy development is different: from u14s, each age group has about 300. At u18s the lads who stand out will get an offer to Kent trials. We had a phone call for the Kent U20s but none of the lads wanted to go forward. Minis and Juniors going well. We have had two applicants for the 2nd team manager, decision to be made very soon. We have a potential for a lady's physio but still work in progress. Thank you to Vicky for the Christmas VP's lunch.		

JN – TS is still undertaking the pitch line painting, JN will approach SH to see if he is willing to take it on.
JN

Pitches are back in use after the issues over the Christmas period.

CV – U16's package. It was agreed to repay U16s via Teamo. VN to organise refunds.

VN – We need to put a process in place for hiring pitches. CD/TS to review.

AB – U18s girls wanted get refs setup arranged, but Kent can't support that at this time.

Nothing else to report on games.

Bar / Kitchen Report	10 Jan 24	Vicky Norman
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Nothing to report on Bar.

Luncheons	10 Jan 24	Dylan Tomkins
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February's Centurion's lunch looking good with 36 confirmed.

Match ball sponsorship is looking good so we will continue.

Nothing else to report on Luncheons.

Development	10 Jan 24	Charlie Vavasour
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CV – Reviewing fencing options for new carpark with Simon Hall.

CD – We are using a lot of other training and playing venues. I just want to drop in about a plastic pitch as it will be a massive asset to the club and the wider community. CV will go back to arrange a site meeting with Mc Ardles to look at feasibility, timeline and cost. TS mentioned about the refocusing of the Big Build, looking at scaling down stage one, potentially splitting it to Stage 1 and stage 1a. To keep things moving forward but reducing the initial financial 'hit'.

TS we have spent money bringing the kitchen up to a standard, following the last inspection. And whether it was necessary, at this point to green light the kitchen building work. VN These measures are only temporary, and the build still needs to be undertaken.

Nothing else to report on Development.

Communication	10 Jan 24	Lauren Holdstock
TS – a few tweaks needed on the web site, will reach out offline to CV to arrange. JN - are social media pages getting updated. CD if they get to LH, they are published. Nothing else to report on Communications.		
100 Club	10 Jan 24	Mark Bowes
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House	10 Jan 24	John Norman
We still need to get someone in to look at the drains. Nothing else to report on House.		
Sponsorship	10 Jan 24	Vacant
JN still looking to find a new Sponsorship Manager. Nothing else to report on Sponsorship.		
AoB	10 Jan 24	All

TS – Emma would like to run some ideas about monetarising more assets within the club. CV suggested she attends committee every quarter. JH to invite Emma and agree frequency.

Proposes a breakfast club once the kitchen has been completed.

CD – Cullum will now take the captaincy with Andy going to VC.

VN – 2024 Ball, date to be set and some ideas from the ladies to be reviewed.

MS – I will be calling tomorrow to see if I can get more info on Guy's funeral.

JH – To reach out to TS about setting up a youth forum.

JN – The sewage issue was caused by a tree root growing through the pipe. We have submitted two insurance claims for loss of earnings.

Nothing else on AOB

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