



Minutes of Coaching & Player Development Committee Meeting

Monday 16th November 2020

Present: A.Durman, K.Critchley, A.Newell, D.Burkett, B.Meldal, B.Farmer, P.Hill, N.Al-Katib, D.Rudderham

Apologies for absence were received from: D.Woodrow

1. Welcome & Apologies for absence

A.Durman welcomed those present.

A.Durman spoke around how difficult this year has been and thanked everyone for their continued work.

2. Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 14th January 2020

A.Durman asked if everyone present had read the minutes of the previous meeting and was happy with them. The minutes were accepted.

3. Coach Education/FA Coach Mentor/CCD Programme

K.Critchley reported all courses are going back to the FA and will be in an online format. FA Level 1, Safeguarding and Emergency Aid will resume in April.

K.Critchley reported that the FA Coach Mentor programme has been taken away earlier in the year due to COVID-19 budget cuts. However, there are views for the FA to create a new similar programme in the future to support coaches.

K.Critchley reported that the CCD programme has also been removed by the FA due to COVID-19 budget cuts. There are plans by the FA to create something similar however, currently we are unsure of how this is going to look.

ACTION KC – To provide a copy of the courses and CPD menu when released from the FA.

To create a social post around the FA update on courses to notify in-flight learners of the situation.

To send FA Education Update email to P.Hill to be reported in the next board meeting.

4. Operational Plan Overview and Update

K.Critchley reported that the Cambs FA development team are planning three months at a time due to the current climate and uncertainty of the future. For future meetings it would be good if meetings could be based around the actions from the operational plan.

ACTION KC – Provide committee members with a copy of the coaching and player development sections of the plan.

5. Futsal

A.Newell reported that futsal has been paused due to being unable to run. Awaiting clarification from the FA for when indoor activity can resume.

A.Newell reported that Cambs FA are planning to run the Pokémon Futsal Cup in partnership with Hunts FA to create more competition. To be held in an outdoor facility, unsure of the dates yet.

6. ACC

A.Newell reported that the ACC has ran three training sessions but has come to halt due to lockdown. The ACC plans to return to training as soon as possible. Player/Parent inductions have been completed.

Fixtures will look different this season due to COVID-19, we have been advised to organise own fixtures against challenging teams with Cambridgeshire to keep travelling to a minimum.

D.Burkett reported that training was looking great on the ground, girls are enjoying being back and some really good talent on show.

7. Coaches Academy

K.Critchley reported that the Coaches Academy is a tool to help bridge the gap between coaching qualification levels. Coaches pay £30 for access to the coaching community, CPD events and public liability insurance. Football Fun Factory booked in to deliver CPD on Tuesday 1st December. In the initial correspondence we received 80-90 responses from coaches who were interested in joining and when asked what they wanted to see from the Coaches Academy the majority ask to see session plans. Cambs FA have asked ACC coaches to add session plans to create discussion topics.

Committee agreed the price should be reduced or free to capture more coaches.

ACTIONS KC – Look into creating discussion topics for coaches to discuss each week.

Provide P.Hill with a copy of cost analysis to be discussed in the next board meeting.

Contact Neil to gain advice on how the previous Coaches Academy used to run.

Revisit the purpose of the Coaches Academy.

8. Inclusion & Diversity

N.AI-Katib reported that he had created an action plan to take to the next board meeting and will share this with us the next meeting. N.AI-Katib has been working with Cambridge City Women and Girls to engage BAME coaches into their set up.

N.AI-Katib and D.Burkett reported they had taken a BAME coach on at Cottenham who has been coaching alongside D.Burkett.

ACTIONS KC – Integrate BAME coaches into the Coaches Academy

ACTION AN – To arrange a meeting with S.Hudson and N.AI-Katib to promote positive BAME activity on Cambs FA socials and create a good news story.

9. Review 'Listening to our Participants feedback'

K.Critchley reported that a listening to U18's feedback form has been sent to parents for them to complete with their child. We have some responses but not enough to create a report to discuss.

K.Critchley and A.Newell to provide a copy of the feedback ahead of the next meeting.

ACTIONS KC/AN – Provide a copy of the feedback ready for discussion in the next meeting.

10. Any Other Business

No other business was discussed.

Next Meeting: Monday 25th January 2021 at 7:00pm.