



SECRETARY CUPS COMMITTEE

Michael Burke, 47 St Keverne Road, Mottingham, London SE9 4AQ Tel 020 8851 3846

**MINUTES OF THE
LONDON FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION
CUP COMPETITIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD ON
MONDAY 30 OCTOBER 2023
VIRTUAL**

The Guildhall was unable to supply us with a room and as this was the last meeting of the current Committee Chairman I Wallis decided that the meeting will be held virtually, via Teams.

Chairman Ian Wallis opened the meeting at 19:00.

MEMBERS PRESENT. I Wallis, K Wilmot, M Burke, L Di Cesare, G Etchell, J Hind, L Newham, A Sanchez-Bultrago, J Sapler and D Wolff.

LFA OFFICE STAFF. J Horne, P Trivedi and A Howden.

APOLOGIES. There were no apologies.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING. The minutes were accepted as an accurate record. Proposed L Newham Seconded K Wilmot.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES. I Wallis. At the previous meeting we spoke a lot about the LFA website and how it is not kept up to date. Former LFA employee Becky Greaves takes photos of all our cup finals. Why are they not put on the LFA website? J Horne informed the meeting that from next month we will have time to deal with the website.

I Wallis also informed the meeting that on his last visit to Hendon FC he spoke to a journalist who writes match reports for national newspapers and receives a nominal fee of £50 for each article. He suggested that we employ the journalist to write a report on the final of our Senior cup and pay him £50. This was unanimously agreed.

I Wallis reported that this seasons LFA Handbook will be out in a couple of weeks.



SECRETARY CUPS COMMITTEE

Michael Burke, 47 St Keverne Road, Mottingham, London SE9 4AQ Tel 020 8851 3846

It was suggested that a fine should be imposed on clubs who drop out of our cups. Many Vets teams withdraw. J Horne said that a meeting next Wednesday will discuss the issue.

J Horne told the meeting that Bromley FC will house the final of the LFA Senior Cup as requested.

SAFEGUARDING. There were no Safeguarding matters to discuss.

CUP COMPETITIONS. Despite the inclement weather over the last two weeks many cup games were played.

J Horne has chased Cockfosters FC to arrange a date for their 1st round cup tie against Charlton Athletic. To date no reply.

22 October 2023 Sunday Junior Cup AFC Deptford v Wanderers FC. This 2nd rd cup tie was not played. Wanderers FC complained that they were given only four days notice of the fixture by AFC Deptford and were unable to field a team at such short notice. K Wilmot pointed out that both teams were given one month notice of the fixture and the only thing missing was the kick-off time. D Wolff suggested that both parties are at fault and the fixture should be rearranged. D Wolff proposed that the fixture should be rearranged but no seconder could be found.

K Wilmot proposed the tie be awarded to AFC Deptford with no fine to be imposed on Wanderers FC but they are to be expelled from the cup seconded by D Di Cesare. Voting For 8 Against Nil Abstention 1.

22 October 2023 Under 14 Sunday Cup. White Star FC failed to produce a team sheet in their win over Lewisham FC who said White Star FC did not comply with LFA Rule stated 'No game to be played if a team does not supply a team sheet'. A Howden informed the meeting that team sheets and cards can be found on Whole Game System which is accessible by mobile phones. D Wolff proposed seconded D Di Cesare that the result stands. Voting unanimous.



SECRETARY CUPS COMMITTEE

Michael Burke, 47 St Keverne Road, Mottingham, London SE9 4AQ Tel 020 8851 3846

CORRESPONDENCE. Broomwood FC recently lost a game 21-nil and the result was published. The club said losing by this magnitude and it being published was unhelpful and disrespectful. Some leagues have a 10 goal limit.

M Burke reported that on behalf of the LFA Cups Committee that he sent a get well card to former Cups Committee member David Hooker who recently suffered a heart attack.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS. L Newham said he attended the Erith & Belvedere FC v Fisher FC 1st rd LFA Senior Cup and spoke to a Director of Erith & Belvedere who had only praise for the cup and how well it was run and will put such a message on the club website. The Committee praised the work of J Horne.

A Howden spoke about player eligibility quoting the Senior Cup Rule 18 'a player can only play for one club'. This rule does not apply in the Youth cup. Can a player play in an LFA Saturday cup and in a Sunday LFA cup? The cups are split into Saturday and Sunday for the first two rounds so a player can only play for one club.

K Wilmot attended the Middlesex FC Awards and spoke to Mr Mark Ives (FA National Games Board). K Wilmot asked if he had an answer to his question regarding whether the LFA Senior Cup or the Pro Division leagues had priority of fixtures. Mr Ives asked K Wilmot to email him as a reminder. The request was carried out but as to date no reply has been received. P Trivedi asked K Wilmot to email a copy of the request and she will deal with it.

K Wilmot informed the meeting that it is the intention of the Mayor of London to impose a charge of £5.25p for motorists to use the Blackwall Tunnel and the new Silvertown Tunnel each way commencing 2014/25.

Chairman I Wallis said this is the last meeting of the current Committee due to re-election of Council members. Once the Council has been elected plans can go ahead to elected a Cups Committee. He thanked all the Cup Committee Members for their time, effort and input over the season and indeed the LFA office staff.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 21:01.

PS J Horne said he had just received a call from Cockfosters and the game against Charlton Athletic will be played on 15 November.



SECRETARY CUPS COMMITTEE

Michael Burke, 47 St Keverne Road, Mottingham, London SE9 4AQ Tel 020 8851 3846