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**MINUTES OF THE
LONDON FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION
CUP COMPETITION COMMITTEE
HELD ON
THURSDAY 31 AUGUST 2023
AT
GUILDHALL, LONDON**

Chairman Ian Wallis welcomed Members to the new 2023/24 season.

1. ATTENDEES:- I Wallis, K Wilmot, M Burke and D Wolff.

LFA OFFICE STAFF:- J Horne.

2. APOLOGIES:- L Di Cesare, G Etchell, J Hind, L Newham and A Sanchez-Bultrago.

ABSENT:- G Watson and J Sapler.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS COMMITTEE MEETING:- They were accepted as an accurate record. Proposed K Wilmot seconded D Wolff.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTES:- Rule Changes. Some questions relating to young girls and boys team sizes. Teams are now to be equal.

5. SAFEGUARDING:- There were no safeguarding issues to discuss.

6. CUP DRAWS:- I Wallis and M Burke completed the draw for the Senior Cup and the Senior Trophy.

Three Sunday cup draws will be made at the LFA HQ.

I Wallis suggested that the cup application form should have a box to stipulate which of the Sunday cups the club wishes to enter. This is another way of ensuring the club is placed in the right competition.



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Vets cup is still to be drawn.

Comparison of cup entries as apposed to last season

CUP	22/23	23/24
Senior Cup	31	32
Senior Trophy	29	26
Saturday Junior	105	167
Sunday Challenge	64	64
Sunday Trophy	83	64
Sunday Junior	119	127
Veterans	51	55

Through the Chairman J Hind reported that the LFA has been nominated County FA recognition award for organization of women's cup final days.

The Committee suggested we use Bromley FC for the playing of this season's Senior Cup Final. J Horne to contact Bromley FC.

Hill Top FC Reserves, Middlesex County Premier League. First game this season, Step 7, not to have a G4 pitch. Touch line surrounded by small sided goals. Referees change in the toilet. Club informed they are not allowed to play any further games on this ground. LFA Cup rules do not have a ground grading rule. The FA instructed the LFA that is their responsibility to grade grounds. D Wolff suggested we should inspect grounds before allowing clubs to play in our Senior Cup.

D Wolff proposed seconded K Wilmot LFA Rule 20(l) failure to appear for a fixture the offending club shall be fined £25 - ADD clubs who enter a cup then withdraw shall be fined in accordance with the tariff. Voting unanimous.

CORRESPONDENCE:- K Wilmot suggested we should have several pages in our cup final programmes laying out what the LFA does. This suggestion has been approved by the CEO and will be brought in for this season.

LFA WEBSITE:- Concern was show, again, that the LFA website is woefully out of date and rarely updated. For instance there is still on the site a match report for the 2017 Senior Cup Final. The lack of up to date information puts clubs off from visiting the site.



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K Wilmot informed the meeting our LFA passes are out of date and we may not be granted entry into Nation League System grounds. LFA CEO has this in hand.

AOB:- D Wolff informed the meeting that starting from the 1 October there will be three Jewish holidays. Clubs who have entered LFA Cups may seek a postponement on religious grounds.

The next meeting will be held on 30 October 2023.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 2030 with a vote of thanks to the Honorary Chairman.



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