

THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE MEETING OF NEYLAND CRICKET CLUB HELD IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM OF THE ATHLETIC CLUB ON THURSDAY 10TH JULY 2008.

Present: R Bellerby
J P Edwards
A Hansen Snr
M C Jones
A Miller
G Miller
P Miller
M J Rees

Apologies: A Hansen Jnr.

Minutes

The Minutes of the Committee meeting held on Thursday 12th June 2008 were read, confirmed and signed as a true record.

Matters Arising

1 The apportionment of keys for the various equipment sheds had still to be satisfactorily resolved – Gregg Miller and Robert Bellerby to liaise with a view to securing a resolution.

Financial Report

Information relating to club finances will not be available online. Members with any queries relating to this section should contact the club treasurer directly. Please see the Management Committee section of this website.

Ground & Maintenance

Roller – Paul Miller reiterated that the delay in receiving the new roller was due to circumstances outside of the Club's control. As had been reported at the May meeting Neyland were one of three clubs in Wales that had been successful in bids for funding however it had been between the CBW and the supplier that delivery of the three rollers would not be effected until all three clubs in question had submitted the relevant paperwork. Although Neyland had completed this exercise, at least one of the other clubs had still to do so, hence the delay. It was believed that one of the Clubs in question was Whitland and Martin Jones indicated that he would have a quiet word with a contact at that club in an attempt to expedite progress.

Square Mower – the clutch problem had been repaired by the provision of a new bolt. In addition Dai Edwards had been successful in reviving the old ransom mower. As a result the Club now had both a square and pitch mower.

Application of weedkiller – it was agreed that efforts should be made to contact Mr Wayne Duggan for advice.

Athletic Club Development

Although it had been believed that negotiations to purchase the additional land regarded as essential towards the development as originally planned had irretrievably broken down leading to those proposals being modified, it now appeared that the Trustees of the Summons Estate had undergone a change of heart and were now anxious to dispose of the land. It was not clear at this stage what impact this volte face might have on the proposed development however a meeting of the Development Sub Group was scheduled for the following Tuesday.

Correspondence

- 1 Details of the Umpiring appointments for the period July & August had been received.
- 2 Correspondence had been received from the County Club advising of the revised draws for the various Cup competitions.

Club Accreditation/ Club Development Plan

Paul Miller presented a development report (hard copy attached).

Nets - As has been reported at the June meeting the Club had been granted a further £4000 from the Lord Taverners bring the pot total up to £5k. He had also had a verbal suggestion from Geoff Holmes and the ECB that the Club would qualify for an ECB grant to the value of 75% of the total facility cost.

There was a likelihood however that the ECB are assuming a figure of around 25k for the project whereas it was envisaged that including the construction of perimeter fencing which costs in the region of £13k and associated travel and labour costs of a further estimated £2000, the project was more likely to cost in the region of £40,000. It was therefore likely that the Club will have to also apply to the sports council for Wales / pride (landfill tax scheme) for around a further £10 to 15k although this would be confirmed once discussions with the ECB reach the financial stage. At the moment we are concentration on eligibility etc, through the development plan. After discussion, it was decided by committee that we should seek a security fence where possible.

Development Plan - the club needed to begin finalising the development plan for the next season. Paul expressed the view that with grants from the ECB awarded largely on the strength of this development plan it may be time for an ambitious one.

Members were reminded that the development plan was supposed to be stretching anyway [REDACTED]

Copies of the proposed new development plan (changes shown) were distributed and the contents and targets for the future discussed.

Sportmatch equipment application and funding - the Club had now received the £400 from sportmatch and had spent £800 on junior coaching equipment, which included 18 senior size match balls. 48 bowling machine balls (24 red and 24 yellow) had also been purchased.

Clubmark Accreditation - Neyland Cricket Club is now fully clubmark accredited. Club representatives were scheduled to receive the certificate at Sophia Gardens (Swalec stadium) on Friday 22nd August during the Pro 40 fixture between Glamorgan CCC and Warwickshire CCC . There are free tickets available for 12 persons – identities to be determined - Mini-bus to be possibly booked.

Women's Cup Day - it had now been confirmed by the CBW that the women's Welsh cup day was to be held in Neyland on the 27th July (Sunday). Although the date clashed with other fixtures of interest within the County, it was the only one that could be fitted into this year's women's time-table. Following concerns which were expressed at the suitability of the second ground it was suggested that the Club seek to use an alternative venue such as Hook or Burton.

Removal of Trees at net sight - It was agreed that a request should be made to the Athletic club for the removal of the trees required for the net facility (the top most 20) and also 2 trees near the machinery shed on the basis of the quote received via Brian Phelan.

Club Child Welfare Officer's Report

Martin Jones reported that he had now completed a thorough review of his records and although he had identified one or two minor omissions, these were being remedied.

Junior Report

Relatively few games had been played to date although the Under 13s had played four, winning three. The Under 11 programme had been severely curtailed by a combination of the elements and the inability of the scheduled opposition to muster a team although the Neyland Festival was due to be held on the coming Sunday. The Under 15 fixtures had been similarly blighted although in this case Neyland had not been blameless. It was agreed that efforts should be made to address the organisational problems which appeared to be a factor.

A.O.B.

1 It was agreed that the Club should invest in a new stock of club ties reflecting the logo/motif adopted on the new club kit. Paul Miller agreed to make appropriate enquiries.

There being No Further Business the meeting was declared closed after confirming the date of the next meeting for Thursday 14th August 2008.