# CHELTENHAM ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Minutes of the Management Committee Meeting held at 7pm on Wednesday 25th April 2018 at The Victory Club.

Attendees: N.Oram, D.Pardoe, P.Tustain, J.Hunt, G.Cook, I.Swales, D.Johnson, B.Hill, T.Holmes, T.Onions, I.Hamilton

Apologies: M.Neave

1. **Actions arising –**

Beeches invited to attend this meeting and confirmed they will be there at 7.30pm.

Beeches will have Mr Ricketts (Secretary) and Mr Benson (Chairman) in attendance.

1. **League Secretary**

Match ball sponsors for all 3 Charity finals now sorted.

GMB for Senior, Mccafferys’ for Junior and Macron for Minor.

Application to join the Sin-Bin trial for next season lodged with the GFA.

New sub bibs obtained from Macron.

1. **Rule Offences and Mitigation.**

See attached.

1. **GFA**

Correspondence ongoing between the league and David Neale in regards to action the League were involved with a member club.

GFA turned down our offer to join the Sin-Bin for next season which was very disappointing.

1. **Treasurer**

Matt sends his apologies and offers the following report:

Starting to finalise financial year end, please could you let me know if there are any costs due that I should be aware of. With regards expenses, please forward to ASAP, but before Friday 27th.

Depending on final outcomes (need to finalise registrations), current view is a much improved position versus last year thanks to the increased subs and registration costs.

Good progress with getting clubs to pay online as opposed to cheques / cash.

1. **Fixtures**

RSG future fixtures to be decided by email.

Play-Offs – All games to kick off at 3pm.

John was thanked for all his hard work with his struggle against the weather to get all the fixtures in. John also thanked Ian S for his assistance with this.

1. **Referees**

**Coverage**

570 of 580 fixtures covered up until the end of March this season.

122 fixtures scheduled in April, of which we should achieve 100% coverage, which will take us to 98.6% coverage for the season.

**Annual Referee Review**

In line with The FA Handbook - Page 164 - Rule 5e

A Competition may remove a Match Official from its List as part of the Annual Review and must provide reasons for the removal to the Parent Association of the Match Official

Two referees were discussed and will be removed from our list for next season due to:

Bringing the integrity of the competition into disrepute - multiple suspensions issued by The GFA, withdrawal from appointments of Cheltenham League Member Clubs, having been proved by The GFA of providing misleading information to the League's Referee Secretary.

Undue and unnecessary correspondence sent to Referees Secretary, all of which has been forwarded to The GFA throughout the season. Failure to arrive at a fixture involving a team from a Cheltenham League member club.

In line with Rule 5h from The FA Handbook, that these officials would have an avenue of appeal:

(g)  A Match Official may appeal to the relevant affiliated or Service Association, or where appropriate The Association, against a decision of a Competition to remove or suspend the Match Official from its List.

Finally, Referee Appointments have been completed for remaining fixtures.

The Committee again thanked Ian for his efforts.

1. **Results**

Ben reports that the last month has been quite horrendous. He puts this down to the scale of fixtures that that had to be crammed in.

1. **Registrations**

Phil reports that the total number of registered players stands at 1,923.

Phil also highlighted a potential problem with transfers and WGS. Decision made to run with a paper option and the WGS option for next season for registrations and transfers which clubs can print from the website and scan in to send to Phil. (To be covered at the AGM/Club meeting) Action on Phil to bring copied in to the next meeting.

1. **Any Other Business.**

For future semi-final and final attendance for committee members we need to look at a fresh model s there are just not enough people available to assist. This is made even harder when we have a double header. (To be covered by the Charity Cup Sub-Committee)

Action on Ian H to send a list for the upcoming games to ascertain attendance.

Ben reports he has completed all his program work for the finals.

Ian S briefed in the timings of the play off finals to be held at Bishops Cleeve FC.

These will be played on Saturday 5th May with D4 final at 12 mid-day, D3 final at 2pm and D4 final at 4pm. Teams will be instructed to stay out on the pitch during the half time interval.

Clubs will be issued with 18 entry places and others will be charged £1 entry to add to the Charity fund.

Dan briefed in that he a potential candidate to run the web site next season when Rob M stands down.

FA Cup Final ticket ballot draw conducted, subject to availability of tickets.

Ian H email to David Walker, Chairman Bishops Cleeve FC in support of their bid to get funding for new 3G/4G pitch at Bishops Cleeve FC.

1. **Date of next meeting. *League Management – 30th May 2018.***