



Sheffield & District DB Sport U18 League



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Minutes of the League General Meeting held on the 7th December 2016 at
the Carlton Club, 896 Gleadless Road, Sheffield, S12 2QF Meeting
commenced at 7.30pm

Meeting Chaired by	Robert Black
Visitors	None
Apologies	Rotherham Town, East Midlands United, John Gough, Rotherham Rangers, Wickersley Youth
Minutes	Minutes of the League Meeting on Wednesday 7 th September 2016(available to read on the League website) Seconded by Rob Hodgett All in favour
Matters Arising	There were no matters arising
Chairman's Report	A roll call was taken
Secretaries Report	<p><u>Player Registrations</u></p> <p>Thanks to everyone for their patience with the player registration pilot and all reminded that help is available if any clubs struggling with registering players.</p> <p>Clubs can contact Denise or Rob for advice.</p> <p>Email the National FA on playerregistration@thefa.com</p> <p>Players need to be registered 7 days before cup fixtures.</p> <p>Clubs reminded that the contact information on the league website is automatically updated when clubs update the information on their online application. It is club's responsibility to keep this information up to date.</p> <p><u>Withdrawals</u></p> <p>Swinton Athletic Spartans, Wombwell Juniors Red</p> <p>Jumping the Gap</p> <p>Wednesday 18th January 2017</p> <p>The Bud Evans U18 League, Sheffield & Hallamshire County FA and The Meadowhall Sunday League would like to invite your club to attend a transition meeting on 18th January 2017 at The Source Skills Academy, Meadowhall Way, Sheffield, S9 1EA. The meeting will start at 7pm and will be focused around the transition from U18's football to U21's or Adult football. Your Club has been highlighted to have a number of players who</p>



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	<p>will be ineligible to play U18 Football but who will be eligible to play in the U21's or Adult football next season.</p> <p>It has long been acknowledged that moving young people from a youth environment to an adult competition is a challenge for all sport. In football the need for transitional support is underlined by the fact that young people's participation in football halves from 52% of the population in the 13–15 age range to 26% when they are 17–18.</p> <p>The challenge for football is that although some of this drop off is for very plausible 'life' reasons – starting work, university, socialising and end of parental support – we need to find ways to ensure a greater proportion of these young people can be retained in the game meaning adult football would be in a much healthier state. The FA have surveyed over 120 Leagues that are currently providing U18 or U21 divisions for their experiences and in order to help identify a body of good practice that might convince other youth or adult leagues to review how they look to keep players over the age of 16 playing into their adult years.</p> <p>To discuss the above in more detail, and to make you aware of the options open to players, we would like to take this opportunity to invite a maximum of 3 people from your club (ideally manager, secretary and a player) to attend the meeting. If you can confirm you have received this email and that someone from your club will or will not be attending the meeting by the 13th January 2017 that would be appreciated.</p> <p>Kind regards</p> <p>Mark Wozniak Football Development Officer Sheffield & Hallamshire County FA</p> <p>Martin Gilmour Chairman Meadowhall Sunday League</p> <p>Denise Hicks League Secretary Bud Evans U18 League</p> <p>Transition from U16's to U18's</p> <p>Wednesday 25th January 2017 – 7.30pm Carlton Club</p> <p>Meeting open to all current U16's teams and existing U18 teams who are continuing next season</p>
Cup Competitions	<p>The third round of the Crossley Decorator Knock Out Cup has been played, there are three outstanding fixtures, clubs involved will be contacted in due course re these fixtures.</p> <p>The quarter final of the Crossley Decorator Cup is due to be played on 8th January 2016, fixtures can be brought forward if both teams are agreeable.</p>



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	<p>The First round of the Bud Evans League Cup will be played on Sunday 8th January 2016 – fixtures are on FA Fulltime</p>
<p>Treasurers Report</p>	<p>The League now have the facility to pay any fees to clubs via bank transfer i.e. refund of referee fees for cup games etc., if wish to be paid in this was rather than by cheque please inform Cedric who will need bank account number and sort code.</p>
<p>Fixtures Secretary Report</p>	<p>All Fixtures now on FA Fulltime.</p> <p>Contact opponents and referee on the Sunday/Monday of the week preceding the fixture on a Sunday or at least 5 days prior to the fixture to inform of kick off time, venue, colours etc.</p> <p>If the away team have not received notification of the fixture details in the allocated time, please do not assume that there will be no fixture as you haven't been contacted.</p> <p>If this occurs as the away team, please contact the opposition and inform the League that you weren't contacted in the required time. Postponement requests to be made to Denise on postponement request form which is available to download on League website and FA Fulltime.</p> <p>The League is sanctioned to play on Sundays only, if you would like to play a midweek fixture please send details to Denise who will request permission from the CFA, when permission has been granted Denise will inform Club Secretaries and the fixture will be updated on Fulltime</p> <p>Midweek fixtures must be played on a Tuesday/Thursday</p>
<p>Referees Secretary</p>	<p>If no referee allocated by the Monday before the fixture on the Sunday and you have a referee available it is fine to use that referee but you must inform Dave, if Dave not aware and a League referee subsequently becomes available which Dave allocates, then that referee will have to be used.</p> <p>Referee fees are £25 + 38p per mile and must be paid in cash before the game starts</p> <p>Sheffield RA event – How the ref works</p> <p>Thursday 19th January 2017 Carlton Club, 896 Gleadless Road, Sheffield</p> <p>This will be an interactive evening aimed at players aged 16 and above and will be looking at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Off side DOGSO Refs pre match talks Tricks of the trade Players having their say about refereeing



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<p>Registrars Report</p>	<p>It is club's responsibility to check player's ID and have player consent, all clubs have been issued with the offline player consent form, the preferred method of consent is online.</p> <p>For players with duplicate FAN numbers please contact the CFA as they can de-dupe the players.</p> <p>Any errors with player names, dates of birth need to be changed by CFA.</p> <p>No players can be signed on the day of a Cup Competition</p> <p>Team sheet details are to be completed in book on the day, copy to be handed to referee and opposition manager 10 minutes before kick off</p> <p>A copy of the team sheet to remain in the book</p> <p>Information re players, referee, scores, respect etc. to be entered on FA Fulltime, the result of the game must be entered onto FA Fulltime either by SMS or online by 5.30pm on Sunday and the remaining information must be entered by 12md on the Thursday following the game on a Sunday. Most fines last season were issued for clubs not completing statistics on Fulltime, all reminded that Respect/Referee information needs to be completed before can enter statistics.</p> <p>Transfers - a reminder that if the waive 7-day approach is checked when transferring a player – the individual checking that box is confirming that they have written confirmation that there is an agreement between both clubs that the player can be transferred. This written confirmation must be kept as evidence in case any issues arise.</p> <p>If clubs check the 7-day approach rule – it means that talks can take place between the 2 clubs after the 7 days – clubs can withhold a transfer if subs and kit haven't been returned.</p> <p>Clubs cannot withhold a player transfer for nonpayment of fines incurred for bookings/red cards etc. unless the player has reached the age of 18. It is club's responsibility to pay fines for players under the age of 18 – if a player or a parent then offers a donation towards that fine then clubs can accept.</p>
<p>Welfare Officer</p>	<p><u>Respect Initiative CFA</u></p> <p>The CFA have introduced a Respect team of the month award, leagues have been asked to nominate clubs from their league who they feel deserves the award and winning teams will be announced at the end of each month.</p> <p>Clubs asked to nominate teams within the league they feel deserve the award.</p> <p>John will also look at sporting awards clubs are receiving</p>



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Please pass information onto players, parents etc.

England leaders explain 4 steps to safeguarding in new film

Link to Film <https://thefa.sharefile.com/d-sf9b8ae03a0541469>

As part of The FA's role in aiming to do everything it can to support a safe and enjoyable framework for football, a new film has been made outlining the four key steps to safeguarding.

The film, featuring Wayne Rooney, Steph Houghton, Jack Rutter and Nathaniel Chalobah, explains how both parents and children can raise concerns they have about adults working in football and centred around how the 8,500 safeguarding officers working across England football take the following four steps:

1. Checked – to ensure adults are suitable to work with youngsters
2. Trained – from coaches to referees, all are given suitable safeguarding training
3. Hear – concerns from both children and adults will be listened to
4. Report – the importance of raising concerns about a child's welfare

Following these simple but crucial steps means that there is a framework in place to ensure that, if standards ever fall short with poor practice or unacceptable behaviour, they can be addressed.

Anyone who has a concern about the welfare of a child or the behaviour of an adult towards a child or young person under 18 years of age in football, is required to refer it to The FA Safeguarding team. The team is staffed by professionals who are experienced in dealing with these concerns.

Referring a concern can be done via your club, league or County FA – all will have a designated safeguarding officer (DSO). Alternatively, you can email us directly via safeguarding@thefa.com.

If the matter is urgent and you cannot contact your club or County FA designated safeguarding officer, you can call The NSPCC 24-hour helpline on 0808 800 5000 – or if it is an emergency because a child or children are at immediate risk, then call the police or children's social care in your area.

If you are concerned that someone may be behaving inappropriately or seeking to groom a child in an online environment, then please use the CEOP reporting button that will take you directly to the team at the National Crime Agency, as well as informing your County FA or The FA via safeguarding@thefa.com



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Charter Standard	<p>Clubs are reminded that they need to have obtained Charter Standard status within 12 months of joining the league if a new club, existing clubs need to maintain their Charter Standard.</p> <p>Denise will contact those clubs who need to obtain Charter Standard status directly after liaising with Mark Wozniak at the CFA.</p> <p>Help is available from the CFA and Denise if needed.</p>
AOB	None
Next Meeting	<p>Wednesday 25th January 2017 – Progression from U16's to U18's Carlton Club, 896 Gleadless Road, Sheffield, S12 2QF</p> <p>Wednesday 29th March 2017 – Carlton Club, 896 Gleadless Road, Sheffield, S12 2QF</p>
	Meeting Closed 8pm