## **Minutes from the AGM**

## **Pinkneys Green Cricket Club**

**Meeting** AGM

Date 31st October 2021

Time 10am Location Clubhouse

### **Attendees**

Richard Hemmings*	Chairman	RH
Nigel Bruce*	Head of Cricket	NB
Rob Griffiths*	Treasurer	RG
Katherine Avery	Membership Secretary	KA
Phil Avery	Facilities Manager	PA
Charles Berger	PGCC Member	CB
Jack Stemp	PGCC Member	JS
Jake Stokes	Saturday 1 <sup>st</sup> Captain	JSt
Paul Savage	Groundsman	PS
James Hemmings	Financial Auditor	JH
Chris Heyes	PGCC Member	CHY
John Fenna	U11 Team Manager	JF
Pete Nisbet	Junior Manager U15	PN
Sheyan Patel	Saturday 1st Vice Captain	SP
Karen Woolland	Head of Grants/Sports	KW
	Funding	

<sup>\*</sup>Executive Committee

#### **Private and Confidential**

Agenda	Discussion
Apologies	- Paul Cary, Ian Wood, Kevin Snapes, Will Lobley, Steve Jinman, Chris Harden, Will Heyes
Minutes of AGM 2020 meeting – signing off	<ul> <li>Agreed as being an accurate account of the meetings, held on 6 December 2020, and therefore signed off.</li> </ul>
Chairman update	Chairman gave a short address, repeated below  Good morning all and welcome to this year's agm and election of officers. I think we can all agree that this summer was another difficult one with Covid restrictions and infections, plus the weather, affecting a lot of what we did. However, I think there is a lot to take encouragement from – Sat 2nds have been promoted, we managed 2 sides on a number of Sunday's and it was good to see a number of junior parents joining their sons in playing. On the junior side, the U11s won their league – very well done to all of you – with all age groups playing lots of cricket, admirably supported by your parents. Plus a lot of fun was had at the end of season weekend. Well done to everyone that played this summer.

A big thank you to all you volunteers that enabled and supported this, without you the club wouldn't function. Special thanks to those that have, or are to stand down – your support this (and many previous years). I don't want to single anyone out but I do want to mention Jake Stokes who has been Club and 1st team captain for many years and Ian Wood for supporting the great growth we have seen in our junior section. Also big thanks to those on the Exec who have decided to stand down this year – it's not easy trying to run a club of this size, your help is much appreciated. Finally a big thank you to those that help behind the scenes. You will all have noticed how much nicer the clubhouse is now it has been redecorated – well done to Phil (especially) and Pete/Will for doing the work on this. Also a big, big, thank you to grounds team and bar 'workers', without you this club would not work like it does. Having got the thank yous out of the way I have 3 things to bring to members attention.

Firstly there are some minor changes to the club's constitution to agree. These mainly reflect the fact that the role of head of cricket will not be continuing into next season. We will keep Exec Committee going but also hold monthly full committee meetings during the cricket season so that all club matters can be fully discussed by those that are elected as officers. I would like to propose the changes made, can I have a seconder please. Thank you. *This was voted on and agreed unanimously*Secondly I need to inform members that the club has, unfortunately, but temporarily I hope, had its clubmark accreditation revoked by the ECB. This was due to the club being unable to satisfactorily comply with the ECB's new safeguarding system (as much their fault as ours I think). However I am reliably informed that we can reapply (relatively easily) in the new year.

Thirdly, and having discussed this with a number of committee members, we should be looking to create a static net facility at the club. This would help reduce costs of external net hire at Furze Platt, give us somewhere safe to use during games and (I think) is a prerequisite for membership of the TVL. To do this though requires funds (probably at least £25k), an understanding of what we want and agreement with the NT. If we agree that this is a good idea then we need some club volunteers to take this forward – so if anyone here would like to help (or you know of anyone else) please let me know. RH to seek volunteers to progress this during the close season

# Head of Cricket update

Head of Cricket gave a short update and noted that he would be standing down following this season and conformed that the role would not continue next year.

Saturday second XI had a good season and were promoted, however 1<sup>st</sup> XI had not had as good a season as the previous year (having umpired a number of games NB noted that the attitude of some players needed to change). Noted that next year's league structure would be changing, as notified by Vice Chair and this would be confirmed at league agm in November. Positive move that there had been a number of Sundays with 2 sides out and that the cub now has a small and growing availability of older juniors for senior cricket. The club had 46 AllStars on Fridays, one of the largest in the county and approx. 120 junior members played cricket during the summer. NB thanked the great work from junior managers — an excellent job

#### **Treasurer update**

RG circulated the Club financials at the meeting, copy attached with minutes

PN asked what amount may have been lost to the club through non-collection of match fees, RG suggested less than £1k. Next season the club would look to use

	Pitchero facility to collect match fees – RG to progress introduction for next						
	season with volunteer support						
	PN also asked if grant funding will dry up next year, RG suggested that there						
	would likely be no more money from RBWM, however he felt this was not						
	necessarily a problem as certain items of expenditure would not continue next						
	year (e.g. purchase of club shirts)						
Election of	- Chairman ran the meeting through officer roles, the updated table for 2022 is						
Officers	attached with minutes. The one main open role is Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup> XI captain						
Membership and	Chairman and Treasurer proposed that these remain the same for 2022. JF stated that						
Match Fees for	our membership fees are quite low compared with other clubs and KW mentioned						
2022	that an increase in subs would help to raise money for the fixed net facility. Agreed by						
	meeting to review at next Exec.						
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Bar Prices	- PA asked if bar prices might rise, RG suggested a potential inflationary increase of						
	up to 5%. General consensus was that this seemed acceptable						
AOB	- PA mentioned that the clubhouse would be being used out of season by						
	Maidenhead Rangers. It is important that the main room is kept clear and tidy for						
	their use						
	<ul> <li>SP asked about winter net booking – NB responded that he had not been able to conform a booking yet but was still looking. SP suggested Claires Court Boys may be an option. Committee to review status at next meeting</li> </ul>						
	- PA asked of there was an update on discussions to amend the club's legal						
	structure. RG gave a summary of the current position (simple members sports						
	club where all members a jointly responsible/liable for any liabilities/debts) and						
	the potential benefits of moving to a company limited by guarantee with						
	associated CASC (Community Amateur Sports Club) status ( liability of members						
	limited to their guarantee amount, usually £1 and reduced tax on trading). RG						
	also mentioned that there would be a reasonable amount of work required for						
	the club to move to this revised structure and also some ongoing increase in						
	admin each year once achieved. The meeting was generally in agreement that						
	this change would be beneficial. RG/Exec to consider how best to take this						
	forward during the next year						
Next AGM	- End October 2022						
Meeting							