



Minutes of the Willoughby Cricket Club Annual General Meeting held on Monday 26/02/2024

Opening Statement – Chair

BJH opened the meeting and welcomed all attendees. The 1st XI were congratulated on gaining promotion in the NCL (Div 6 to Div 5).

Thanks were given to Mark Fell for his work in obtaining a grant from the ECB towards the replacement of the non-turn wicket (artificial strip).

Election of Chairman

Nominations for the position of Club Chairman.

No nominations were received – Graham Hallam stated that he and Ian Andrews were prepared to do it between them. Carried by those in attendance at the meeting.

Nomination: Graham Hallam / Ian Andrews
Proposer: B J Hall
Seconder: ALL

Election of Hon. Secretary

Nominations for the position of Club Secretary.

Nomination: M Goss
Proposer: B J Hall
Seconder: ALL

MG agreed by all in the room.

Election of Assistant Secretary

Nominations for the position of Assistant Secretary.

Nomination: No volunteers so the position will remain open
Proposer:
Seconder:

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No points raised following publication so signed off by default.



Amendments to the Club Constitution and Rules

Changes are in red:

Equality Diversity and Inclusion Policy Statement

Willoughby Cricket Club (W.C.C.) is strongly committed to equal opportunities for all sectors of the community.

It is the policy of W.C.C. to ensure that all participants, volunteers, coaches and parents receive equal treatment regardless of age, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, employment status, social class, colour, race, ethnic or national origin, religious belief or disability.

WCC complies with, and will adopt any future changes, the ECB Anti-Discrimination Code and the ECB EDI (Equality, Diversity and Inclusion) strategy. The club's full policy is available to download from the club website, available on request from the Club Safeguarding Officer, and available on the club notice board.

Child Safeguarding Policy

W.C.C. acknowledges it has a responsibility for the safety of children and vulnerable adults playing cricket under its temporary supervision and to ensure a duty of care to all members. ~~of the club has adopting and implementing the ECB "Safe Hands" — Cricket's Policy for Safeguarding Children and any future versions of the policy. The document entitled "Child Protection Policy" contains all the policy detail and guidance required to be compliant with "Safe Hands".~~

WCC has adopted and complies (and will ensure compliance with future changes) with latest ECB Safeguarding policies and guidance as defined under ECB Safeguarding Policies and Procedures. WCC will ensure that at least one certified Safeguarding Officer is in place at all times.

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APPLICATION OF INCOME AND FUNDS

The Club is a not for profit organisation.

The income and funds of the Club shall be applied toward:

- Maintenance of "The Green".
- Maintenance of the Pavilion and Shed.



Changes were accepted unanimously.

Hon Treasurer's Report

ECP thanked Neil Jones for his work auditing and publishing the accounts. He then ran through income and expenditure for 2023, along with a summary of the assets on the balance sheet.

NJ highlighted that subscriptions from members had gone up, but match fees and bar profits have dropped. But other than that fairly stable – just showing a small loss.

Ashley Rayner enquired what the margin on the bar is – NJ stated 47% and explained that. AR's viewpoint is that is low. Bar tariff will be examined ahead of the coming season.

AR - Points to think about:

Revisit doing food on a Wednesday evening

Stop hosting Sunday teams that don't stay for a drink

Election of Hon Fixture Secretary

Nominations for the position of Club Fixture Secretary

Nomination: M Fell

Proposer: S Thornton

Secunder: H Lacey

Election of Hon Treasurer

Nominations for the position of Club Treasurer

Nomination: E C Palmer

Proposer: G Hallam

Secunder: J Andrews

Election of Hon Membership Secretary

Nominations for the position of Club Membership Secretary.

Nomination: B Hollis

Proposer: A Rayner

Secunder: J Andrews

Election of Team Captains



Saturday 1st XI

Captain

Nomination: B Hollis
Proposer: M Cartridge
Seconder: A Rayner

Vice Captain

Nomination: A Rayner
Proposer: V Sangwan
Seconder: S Cluley

Saturday 2nd XI

Captain

Nomination:	J Andrews	F Deery	N Mistry	S Thornton
Proposer:	I Andrews	M Cartridge	M Fell	B Hollis
Seconder:	D Alcock	V Sangwan	H Lacey	A Rayner

N Mistry in a close vote.

Vice Captain

Nomination:	J Andrews	S Thornton
Proposer:	I Andrews	B Hollis
Seconder:	D Alcock	A Rayner

S Thornton by 1 vote.

Wednesday 1st XI

RDCL has left us in Division 1 although we requested to move down to Division 2 due to the number of overseas professionals and such playing in Division 1. We had approached the league to move down and that had been ok'd. If they won't move us down then we will reduce our league entry to one team in Division 3.

Captain

Nomination: B Hollis
Proposer: A Rayner
Seconder: S Cluley

Vice Captain

Nomination: C Roberts
Proposer: A Rayner



Seconder: S Thornton

Wednesday 2nd XI

Captain

Nomination: M Cartridge

Proposer: A Rayner

Seconder: D Alcock

Vice Captain

Nomination: A Deery

Proposer: M Cartridge

Seconder: E C Palmer

Sunday XI

Captain

Nomination: A Rayner

Proposer: B Hollis

Seconder: S Thornton

Vice Captain

Nomination: M Fell

Proposer: A Rayner

Seconder: B Hollis

Election of Club President

Nominations for the position of Club President.

Nomination: E C Palmer

Proposer: S Hall

Seconder: S Thornton

Election of Vice Presidents and Life Members

En bloc

Election of Management Committee

The management committee consists of the President, Chairman, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, Hon. Fixture Secretary, Hon. Membership Secretary, 1st, 2nd and Ladies' team captains.



In addition, volunteers also serve.

2024 Committee:

E C Palmer, M Goss, G Hallam, D Alcock, B Hollis, I Andrews, J Andrews, S Cluley, M Cartridge, N Mistry, S Thornton, M Fell, V Sangwan

Election of Manager of Youth Cricket

Nominations for the position of Club Manager of Youth Cricket.

Nomination: J Andrews
Proposer: M Cartridge
Seconder: G Hallam

Appointment of group leaders:

Allstars & Dynamos	Rob Cartridge
U11s	R Everett / H Gowney-Hedges
U13s	M Cartridge
U15s	J Andrews

Appointment of Grounds Staff

Fergus Deery

Appointment of Club Auditor

Neil Jones

Appointment of Club Statistician

Ryan Perry

Appointment of Club Press Officer

Matt Cartridge

Election of Chairman of the Taverners Committee

Nomination: E C Palmer
Proposer: G Hallam
Seconder: S Thornton



Election of the Taverners Committee

2024 Chairman, plus
B J Hall, D Alcock, R Perry, G Hallam

Annual Membership Subscriptions

2024 Proposed

Seniors	£100
Full time education / unemployed	£50
Wednesday only	£40
Juniors	£40
Ladies	£40
Associate Member	£20
Vice Presidents	£30

Match Fees (per player per game):

Saturday 1 st XI	£10 (£7 for anyone in full time education or unemployed)
Saturday 2 nd XI	£10 (£7 for anyone in full time education or unemployed)
Friendlies	£7 (£5 for anyone in full time education or unemployed)
Sunday XI	£7 (£5 for anyone in full time education or unemployed)
Wednesday	£5 (home and away, £3 for anyone in full time education or unemployed)
Ladies	£3
Juniors	£3

A discussion on the logic used to calculate the proposed levels was held – the basis being that the intention is to reduce the reliance on the bar profits to finance the club.

A show of hands indicated overwhelming acceptance of the new fees.

Treasurer's Report

Q&A session followed by a motion to accept the report or otherwise.



The Treasurer's report was accepted unanimously.

Any Other Business

AR – has the long room door been fixed? Not yet, still outstanding.

The meeting closed at 21.15

Members Present:

N Jones, J Andrews, A Porter, M Goss, B J Hall, E C Palmer, D Alcock, G Hallam, C Roberts, C Kurusala, B Hollis, A Rayner, M Cartridge, A Deery, F Deery, S Bonthuys, S Thornton, H Nawaz, V Sangwan, M Fell, S Cluley, H Lacey, S Hall.