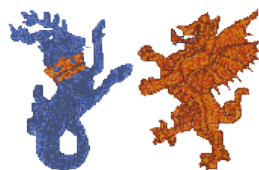


Avon & Somerset Hockey Umpires Association



Tuesday 28th April 2021
7:30pm start via Zoom

Committee members:

Chairman and Liason / Communications – Steve Hamey.

Secretary, Website – Alex Langman.

Treasurer and Coach – Martin Hadley.

Welfare Officer – Vanda Fenn.

Appointments Secretary – Mike Bendry.

Invited to attend committee (without portfolio) – Chris Davis; Martin Somers; and Charles Hallows

All the above in attendance apart from Charles Hallows; apologies received.

Meeting Minutes

Main discussion

SH update - England Hockey unlikely to meet deadline for getting all legal hurdles in place by September. That existing county associations to continue for another season. ASHUA will potentially still need to appoint.

MB - Potentially in the new structure 19 teams requiring appointments? Raised query whether we can appoint to this many teams?

SH - West will (also) have to umpire more games.

MH - ASHUA might need to work closely with HGW.

MB - Who is likely to want to continue umpiring (in the context of umpires might be doing other things now, given the pandemic and lack of umpiring).? Could get out of the habit of umpiring.

SH - Who is likely to umpire? Alex to make email contact with umpires and ask the question.

Action point -

Alex to email umpires to see if they still wish to umpire?

Discussions around OMS system.

Finances

MH - Funding - How will that work going forward?

MB - (In the context that ASHUA was considering returning monies to clubs should the ASHUA unwind itself). If continuing for another season, then we should not charge clubs for umpires.

SH - West committee (new) won't be in place until July, therefore we should continue.

MH - Consider finances for not charging clubs for the coming season.

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VF - Question - If we don't charge clubs for Saturday games, what about Wednesday university games?

Non specific person - That universities would likely to continue to be charged.

MH - Believe we are going to lose some umpires. We could run down the reserves (cash). Need conversation with HGW.

Committee - Everyone agreed in principal that clubs should not be charged (assuming ASHUA continues appointing for a season).

With the consideration that, were there to be funds remaining at the end of next season, monies could be given to clubs.

In addition, committee agreed to write-off fees not yet invoiced to clubs for the few games umpired last year.

MH - To produce some figures regarding the cost of not charging clubs etc.

AGM

General discussion about membership; that with the new England Hockey system (portal), umpires will have to sign-up to join.

Related discussion about what the England Hockey membership offers?

MH - Has paid the insurance for the forthcoming season.

SH - To contact HGW and possible Devon to find out what they are planning to do + working together considerations.

SH to contact

HGW and Devon.
Covering plans
and costs etc.

Promotions to West

Various potentials mentioned.

AGM Date

Tuesday 6th July 2021 set as the AGM date - A month's notice to be given to umpires.

Next committee meeting

Tuesday 15th June starting at 7:45pm via Zoom. SH to arrange.

SH - Arrange
next committee
meeting.

Closing remark

SH - Of the opinion that more information will be forthcoming from England Hockey.

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