**CAFL League Management Agenda – held on Thursday 30th May at 7pm via Microsoft Teams**

**Attendees – JH, TH, BH, MP, PT, DJ, Ism, AW, IH**

**Apologies – TO**

1. **League Secretary**

New Team meetings will be held during this meeting via Microsoft Teams. Details to follow.

Six applications and payment for next season and one more making enquiries. Full picture to date:

Folding:

Generation Next

Tewkesbury Athletic

Gloucester Athletic

Pittville United

Promoted:

Winchcombe Town

Moving elsewhere to either Hereford or promoted to GNSL:

AFC Kempsey

New teams (already paid):

Bibury AFC

Cheltenham Saracens

AFC Cheltenham

Whaddon Utd 3rds

Newton

Leckhampton Reserves

Making enquires:

Badsey Rangers

Charity donations for last season and this season will now be combined and presented at the AGM. (IH to contact the Charities – we still have the big blank cheques that Ben purchased that Ben will sort out with Iain S.

Secretary of the year and Sportsmanship Trophies ordered from Macron and will be ready by the AGM. (Need to collect the Referee and Young Referee Awards from the Big Yellow)

AGM will be held on Thursday 13th June. Attendees are free to bring a drink in with them that they can purchase at the bar at the Victory Club.

IH report and ISM reports and agenda need to go out this Thursday 30th May as per rules.

CAFL Board now showing at Bishops Cleeve FC’s ground.

**GFA Councillor Meeting attended by IH on Thursday 16th May with the following highlights:**

Safeguarding – if clubs have 16/17 year olds signed on then due to the openage affiliation requirements for 2024/2025, training must be completed. (Contact the GFA for details)

GFA Council restructure – looks like they are going to streamline and maybe get rid of some of the folks who just appear to sleep through meetings!

Affiliation for next season is going to be team based and will go live in June sometime.

Insurance changes – Only County Cover Plus will now be available which the GFA deem as better cover for a minimal extra cost!)

Personal Accident Insurance increased to Superior 200 to provide better cover for injured folks.

Match Official Fees and Mileage will remain the same for the new season. (£32 and 40p per mile)

Annual Charity nomination request. The GFA donate £2000 to one charity per season and asked for nominations.

Finance – This has improved at the GFA. They forecast a surplus of £35,000 but now have a surplus of £118,000. This is totally down to discipline getting worse across the county and this has been a record year. Evidently this has been a country-wide increase. (This really does need dealing with!)

There was a fair bit of disquiet at the FA Council meeting when the decision was made to stop replays. This really hits the smaller clubs. Evidently the FA Chairman tried to justify the change, but she didn’t do so. There was no consultation with the FA Council members.

1. **Treasurer**

Report is done for the year. Valuable funds made for the charities – over £2500 to be donated.

Subscriptions for next season will be free in a further attempt to help our clubs in these continuous trying financial times.

1. **Fixtures**

Constitution planning well on the way. The strength in the premiership will be affected by promotions and clubs moving on/folding. 4 in total from the Premier Division.

TH suggested early discussions with Bishops Cleeve on semi-final and final games to get things set in stone.

AG raised a question on the number of games that had to be covered by the committee in terms of the semi-finals and finals.

Sub committee for charity games for next season.

1. **Registrations**

Nothing to report as the season is over.

1. **Results**

Ben reports all ok with him.

1. **Referees**

Covered 507 out of 510 appointments including putting official assistant referees on a couple of title deciders at the end of the season.

Well-done to Phil Leah who was Referee of the year with a mark of 91.86 and took charge of the Senior Charity Final have a great game with his team on the night.

Well-done also to Charlie Hince who was the Young Referee of the year with a mark of 89.97. A number of clubs communicated with MP to say how impressed they are with Charlie who obviously has a big future in refereeing ahead of him.

A final thank-you to Joe Whitehouse, who is stepping down at 77 years young. It was fitting that he was appointed to be 4th Official at the Senior Charity final this year.

Any incentives for fair play. (next season)

1. **Discipline & Rule Offences**

See attached**.**

Tony also has sent proposed rule changes

1. **AOB**

IH email on Microsoft Teams subscription. Committee agreed to keep the subscription going.

Dan P has expressed an interest in rejoining the committee for next season. He has continued his work and support for the League anyway, including social media and offering advice out to clubs in his usual helpful way. He has also supported some of our Semi-Final and Finals.

Len Cole nominated to join the committee.

21 years long service nominations gone in to the GFA for Phil, Terry, John and Ben.

**Date of next meeting – Wednesday 5th June for Pre-AGM discussion**