



Chichester Community Fencing Club

Committee Meeting Minutes 21/11/13

Present: Lee Banting (Pres), David Kimber (Chair), In absentia: Steve Crossley, Viv Trump (Acting treasurer), Carina Yvette.

An e-mail circulation of the current members was undertaken to collect opinion before the meeting.

1. State of the club

The numbers across the two evenings are viable but not as healthy as they could be and earlier in the year advertising by poster was undertaken. It is the case that new members have joined and older members have returned, which is very encouraging.

The club now has two three weapon coaches which puts us in a good position locally.

2. Finances (statement from Viv Trump in absentia)

The balance of the club Barclays current account as at September 2013 was healthy (30 September 2012 £x).

The balance of the club Barclays savings account as at September 2013 was healthy (30 September 2012 £x).

Actual figures may be obtained on request from club members.

The club uses its Barclays current account for all day to day transactions and the savings account accrues quarterly interest (last applied June 2013 £x and September statement due now).

These two accounts continue to be the material club assets as stated on the year end accounts.

Court fees are the largest club expense through the financial year and an average one month costs (£224), are accrued at the year end due to billing in arrears.

The club continues to owe £729.56 to the founding members, due on set up costs funded by the individuals.

Key points we adhere to in the club finances continue to be:

- no remuneration for company directors
- for corporation tax requirements, the club must remain a membership body, being it is run by the members for the members. Accurate membership lists should be kept for 6 full years in case an inspection of records is required.

The club should implement a reserves policy to aid members understanding of the running costs of the club. I suggest 3 months running costs plus a contingency for repairs and renewals.

3. AOB

i) It was stated that the Francois Pelet Award should be instigated as soon as possible in the New Year (Action:LB). This was not enacted but will be before the conclusion of 2013.

ii) Comment from SCS (Ali O'Boyle) was received about the lack of support for SCS activities and a reply was given (e-mail) to SCS from the president suggesting the reasons why the dynamic toward SCS may have changed, this is in no part due to SCS's commitment toward the sport or to CCFC but in CCFC's ability to respond readily (further details available on request).