



Herts Youth Inclusive Football

Committee Meeting Minutes - 4th November 2019

Attendees: Bryan Prentice, Phil Lester, Sammy Edgar, David Street - Bedwell Rangers FC, Jos Sharp - Harpenden Colts FC, Tracy Light - St Albans City Youth FC, Karen Stefanou - Watford FC CSE Trust, Hannah Bingham – Herts FA, Kenny Lawrence – Hemel Aces FC, Mark Collins - Everett Rovers FC, Liam Dwyer – Herts FA/Watford FC CSE Trust

Apologies;, Steve Ward – St Albans City Youth FC, Guy Reynolds – Royston FC, Keith-Bury Rangers FC

Key Actions:

Action	By Whom	By When
Send link to order rainbow laces for 30 th Nov	Karen	12 th Nov
HYIF need to affiliate a team for the 11x11 – need players	Bryan	10 th Nov
find more info about Sanctioning the HYIF league before 30 th Nov	Hannah	15 th Nov
National games in 2021 – Special Olympics	Liam	End Nov
Move venue for April event	Tracy	End Nov
Order laces	Tracy	End Nov
Continue with promotion of HYIF	Tracy/All	On-going
Put coach mentor info on website	Tracy	End Nov
Funds – keep looking for places for funds/grants	Tracy/All	On-going
Liam to put Saratt FC in touch with Mark at Everett	Liam/Mark (TL/Karen look at setting up a festival there possibly etc.)	End Nov

The meeting followed the following agenda;

1. Introductions
2. Update since last meeting
3. Watford FC CSE Trust update
4. Herts FA Update
5. Forthcoming Events
6. Funds
7. AOB

1. Watford FC CSE Trust Update

30th Nov – is close to rainbow laces day – do something re rainbow laces at training ground – teams to buy rainbow laces. Charge extra £1 for entering tournament. Tracy to order 200 laces from HYIF. Agreed.

Talent hub starts this Fri – 30-40 kids attending every 3 weeks. Liam coach mentoring. If there are any individuals from the clubs. 6.30-8pm Some who might be too old they can come and help out. Must be part of a club.

2. Herts FA

Referee workshop went really well – now have another 6 new referees ready to help the inclusive tournaments

Inclusive fun day – 13 children but torrential rain that day.

11x11 side on the 16th November - HYIF – needs to affiliate a 16+

HYIF - need to be sanctioned as a league – for each tournament.

Festivals – if not competitive then you don't need to sanction.

Age Band

U10, U14, U18 - Feedback

Mark – didn't think it worked – U10's only played friendly, not enough U10's, U10's not happy and wouldn't come back to the tournament. (they play premiership)

Hannah U12, U16, U20 with 4 year dispensation in each age bracket.

7 is the youngest

Bryan thought it went well but U10's need more.

Kenny – it changes each tournament – things change all the time. Age groups are hard,

Phil – we are not being inclusive telling others they can't play.

Hannah – we need to abide by the 4 year age bracket or dispensation. Need to abide by same as other FA's.

U12, U16, U20?

Karen – go with U12, U16, U20? - try it at the next tournament. (so older ones can play U20's)

Over age – difficult with those playing adult play already.

Hannah thinks it should be termed U20's but some suggestions to say 16+ but managers will use common sense and they will be the ones that don't play in the league (call it 16+ transition league?) But agreed to say U20's for clarification purposes.

Bedwell players O16 go to Up Front.

Need the rules written out. Tracy – need some guidelines that everyone can follow – where is the info on FA so we can share with coaches/parents

Hannah would advise being careful with the 16+ which is why U20 is clear cut.

Agree U12, U16, U21's – do on birth date. (4 year dispensation)
Every youth team should have a buddy team from the adult team.
Any clubs who have a 16+ team can enter a team into the senior league.
Agree for tournaments - 3:0 cushion (don't register a score higher than 3)

Inclusive Coach Course

Open up to other FA's
Costs of the tutors.
Dome doesn't cost anything.
Everyone was refunded.
Hannah to get prices.
Liam can come along as coach mentor to help on the Level 1.
In advance of the next one – produce players to come
HYIF to cover the costs – up front and then recover to ensure it runs.
Register your interest for the Inclusive course – pre-learn it before.

AOB

- Move April event from County Ground as Herts FA have invoiced £200 for hire of pitch for the inclusive tournament. Possibly Everett's?
- Liam – coach mentor program – bedwell, Hemel and Everett – also be doing PDC and can work with other clubs. No cost for clubs in Herts. 100 hours. Share knowledge. Put something on the HYIF website. Liam.dwyer@thefa.com
- Sarratt FC – 9 year old with LD – we could organise a festival – put in touch with mark.
- Tom Everett – who has a team – wants to play bigger sided friendlies – 7/8 a side – premierships –
- National games in 2021 – Special Olympics - Liam finding out who to contact.

Date of next committee meeting:

13th January 2020