

# Ashford Hockey Club (Kent)

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**Committee + invited members**

Ben Dawson (BD)  
Paul Dawson (PD)  
Matt Goodwin (MG)  
Geoff Playford (GP)  
Jeremy Paterson (JP)  
Sophie Hunt (SH)  
Lewis Elgar (LE)  
Hayley Reynolds – (HR)

**Type of Meeting:** Monthly Committee Meeting



Tony Spain – Apologies  
James Chamberlain – Apologies  
Andrew Shepherd – Apologies  
Flo Playford – Apologies

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## Meeting Minutes

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### **Agenda Item 1: Apologies**

#### **Discussion**

Apologies were received from those listed above who were invited to the meeting.

### **Agenda Item 2: Previous Meeting Minutes**

#### **Discussion**

Minutes of the previous meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> February were fully agreed and signed off accordingly.

### **Agenda Item 3: Fundraising Committee**

#### **Discussion**

HR updated that the FRC will be meeting in 2 weeks' time to discuss the end of season arrangements. Club Supper confirmed for 5<sup>th</sup> May at the Carvery, starting @ 7pm. Tickets at £25 / head available from behind the bar / team captains. HR to liaise with venue re choice of food / serving process – buffet may cause delays. HR also updated that so far we have made approximately £3.4k – target is £5k.

### **Agenda Item 4: Site & Astro turf maintenance**

#### **Discussion**

#### **SITE UPDATE - Grass pitches / Carpark / Grounds / Astro turf**

PD to contact TS re the Perspex roof on one of the dugouts.

### **Agenda Item 5: Monthly site hire review**

#### **Discussion**

- 21<sup>st</sup> April – primary schools netball tournament. AHC are to arrange carpark marshals and charge accordingly. PD to contact KJFC to ask them to arrange away games for that date where possible.

### **Agenda Item 6: Development Committee**

#### **Discussion**

PD updated that discussions between KJFC and AHC are ongoing - AHC are hopeful of full support.

### **Agenda Item 7: Treasurer's Report**

#### **Discussion**

AS sent update – all OK. BD updated that all is on track. 2 people still owing, but BD / FP will chase. PD offered a massive thanks to FP / BD for their efforts.

JP requested support to look further in to using [www.teamo.chat](http://www.teamo.chat) , an app for managing sporting clubs' subscriptions and team selection. Whilst using this app would cost a small percentage of the transactions, rough calculations show that it would only cost the subs of 6 senior members – something that JP, HR and FP felt would be recouped, as well as making monitoring far easier. The Committee voted unanimously to support this.

#### **Agenda Item 8: Operating & Marketing Strategies**

##### **Discussion**

HR updated that she is working on this. No support needed at this stage.

#### **Agenda Item 9: Juniors**

##### **Discussion**

LE updated that we had recently participated in 2 Kent tournaments. U12 boys came 4<sup>th</sup> (behind Canterbury, Sevenoaks and Marden, all of whom are bigger than us) – great effort. U12 girls came 5<sup>th</sup> – our best performance ever at this level. Thanks to Ricki Johnston for helping on Sunday mornings. LE also updated that several U14 boys are now playing in Senior teams – all going well.

25<sup>th</sup> March – last Sunday of season.

#### **Agenda Item 10: AOB**

##### **Discussion**

1. H&S
  - a. New nets have arrived and will be put up by volunteers accordingly.
2. GP commented that he would make sure that RIFT / Jan Post have had been sent a letter of thanks following their donation.
3. BD asked about awards. Nomination for team awards needed by next meeting LATEST. Nominations for Club awards nominated as followed:
  - a. Gurney White award (season contribution)
    - i. Jon Taylor
    - ii. Matt Goodwin
    - iii. Roger Lightfoot
    - iv. Kate Tilby
    - v. Hayley Reynolds
  - b. Mayor's Award (overall contribution)
    - i. Flo Playford
    - ii. Andrew Shepherd
    - iii. Tony Spain
    - iv. Simon Wood
4. Umpiring – BD updated that we are almost at the end of the season! M2 last game of season is 14<sup>th</sup> April. Massive thanks to JT, TS and MG in particular.
5. 2018 / 2019 Committee positions. JP to mailshot all members with a copy of the blank form asking for nominations, and informing that a blank form would be being put up on the wall in the clubhouse.
6. HR had been asked to raise Keir Starley playing for the M2s last week. PD confirmed that this was a one off - KS was able to play in this position because of player shortages.
7. JP requested we confirm a date for the 2018 AGM – confirmed as Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June.
8. BD asked about resurfacing of the carpark / potholes. PD confirmed that we would look at a solution over the summer (off season, drier) but if anyone has any contacts, please speak up!
9. SH updated that a quote to upgrade the changing rooms to allow both privacy during the Physio Clinics as well as full changing facilities for the Ladies' teams will be come soon. New doors, screen etc. Great!
10. LE updated that darts finals night will be on the 24<sup>th</sup> June. £12 / head (to include hot food). 7pm start.
11. BD commented that Ben Davis has a potential supplier – he will continue discussions accordingly.

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

**Next meeting will be Monday 16<sup>th</sup> April 2018.**