

MINUTES OF THE HAVERING SPORTS COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON

TUESDAY 26th April 2022

Present:	Cllr M Wallace	J Hickie	R Cook
D Braiden	D Ainsworth	D Drew	A Drew
S Deane	D Wiltshire	J Watson	D Shewring
L Gaskin			

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr T Ryan, Cllr V Persaud, J West M.B.E, K Nutt, P Collier, J Robson, G Goddard, K Hamilton, P Hickie, M Breading and D Breading.

A minutes silence was held in memory of William 'Bill' Woodberry a much loved and missed member of Havering Athletic Club and former Treasurer for many years for the Havering Sports Council. Bill passed away on 15th March 2022 aged 97 and coached for 40 years until just before his 85th birthday. His funeral was held on 6th April 2022 and 4 Havering Sports Council representatives attended. Havering Athletic Club are to commission an annual trophy in his memory.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 22nd March 2022 were proposed by D Ainsworth and seconded by D Shewring.

3. Matters Arising from the previous meeting

Two parking fines are yet to be refunded and Cllr M Wallace is to look into this matter.

4. Correspondence

An email was received from Neil Taylor at London Sport advertising a free event to watch ladies wheel chair basketball at the University of East London on Saturday 30th April 2022. The link for free tickets is below.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/festival-fan-day-east-london-phoenix-vs-cardiff-met-archers-tickets-295239528377>

5. Membership Secretary's Report

We currently have 31 members.

6. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer sent a report of current balances. Cllr M Wallace thanked M Breading for taking on the accounts and sending in the balances.

7. Information on forthcoming events and results of past events

Havering Athletic Club

Our first face to face AGM since 2019 took place last month and our new Chairman is Martin Chester, a club life member, committee member and young athletes volunteer team manager. One of his first tasks was to make a presentation to another life member Martin McVeigh on over 50 years' club membership.

The winter cross country & road season ended with the club teams winning four team titles at the recent Essex Road Relays at Colchester as the senior men, Under 17 men, U15 girls and U13 boys struck gold, with other teams winning three silver and two bronzes, a total of 11 medals.

James Campbell won the Reading Half Marathon at the start of the month clocking 65 mins 58 secs - the fastest time by a club athlete for over 30 years

The track & field season got under way two weeks ago when the club hosted its annual Spring Warm Up meeting at Hornchurch Stadium with over 230 athletes competing, with many of the young athletes competing at this level for the first time. Almost 50 officials and club volunteers made it possible. The first league competitions have started with the under 17 & under 20 squads placing third in their National Youth Development League fixture at Tonbridge on Sunday.

Havering 90 Joggers/Parkrun

South Essex Cross Country league – One Tree Hill fixture

South Essex Cross Country league – Hadleigh Down fixture, Orion 15 Miles, Brighton Marathon,

Essex Half Marathon, Manchester Marathon, Landmarks Half, St Clare's Hospice 10k, Crown to Crown Boston (Massachusetts) Marathon (with our runner running such a good race she has qualified again for Boston next year too)

We have had our AGM and have elected a new committee we have also had our first committee meeting. We have published the fixture for our Grand Prix and are currently putting the finishing touches to our Mid-Week 5 race to take place in June.

Uppington Hockey Club

The Hockey season ended on a high with the Men's 1st Team improving their position in the last game of the East Men's Division South to third place. With the winter season over we now look forward to the summer leagues played on weekday evenings competing against other local clubs on a friendly bases through the summer months.

The juniors held the end of season party and awards ceremony, with many youngsters and their proud parents attending a special day at the club house to see them being presented with the various cups and achievement plaques by the Club President. All of the young players received a ribbon and medal to mark their skills progress and commitment at the training evenings.

The Easter 7s fun day took place on Easter Saturday with eight mixed teams of Ladies and Men competing for various awards which mainly consisted of jugs of beer. Needless to say a great time was had by all.

Our last social event was held on Saturday the 23rd April which was the Club Dinner and Dance held at the Stifford Hall Hotel where trophies were awarded for the various performance and achievement categories.

Club Person of the year was presented to Martin Nutt for his outstanding work in organising the youth training and tournaments throughout the season.

Special Awards were presented to Jill Wright Lloyd Sutton and Mark Scrivener for their long term hard work and commitment to Uppington Hockey Club over many years.

Uppington Bowls Club

The bowling season commenced this weekend with 70 attending the preseason Buffet on Friday and 56 for the Opening Drive on Saturday afternoon. A really positive start to the season.

LBH Sports development

Rainham all going to plan and on track for a June 2023 opening. Brittons playing field upgrade of 4g pitch well under way and will be completed on time at the end of May 2022.

Successful 2 week Easter program was organised with lots of participants across a variety of different activities. Working towards May half term activities linked to Queens Jubilee.

London Youth Games training and trials currently taking place with events coming thick and fast in May/June and July.

Ongoing weekly sessions occurring for young people, people with a disability and adults.

Hornchurch Cricket Club

The 1st and 2nd XI both lost their opening friendly matches on Saturday 16th April against Tunbridge Wells C.C. On Sunday 17th the 1st XI beat Hornsey C.C. by 7 wickets with Marc Whitlock taking 6 ~ 26.

On Saturday 23rd the 1st XI won their League Cup match by 7 wickets against Fives and Heronians with Ronnie Saunders finishing unbeaten on 101.

The 2nd XI also won away against the same opponents by 9 wickets with Luke Edward unbeaten on 115 runs. Therefore on Saturday 30th May the 1st XI are again at home in the 2nd round against Old Southendian and Southchurch with the 2nd XI away to them. The 3rd XI are at home at Fielder Sport Ground to Gidea Park and Romford and 4th XI away at Harlow.

On Sunday 24th April the 1st XI lost at Blackheath by 9 wickets.

On Monday 25th April our Cricket for All coaching programme commenced at Harrow Lodge Park. This runs every Monday evening 6.30 to 8pm (weather permitting) till the 5th September for age 7 – 11 boys and girls.

On Sunday 1st May at home to Finchley in Royal London Club Championship 1pm start.

The Hambro Essex Foundation League starts on Saturday 7th May with

1st XI A) Hadleigh and Thundersley C.C.

2nd XI H) Uppington C.C. at Harrow Lodge Park

3rd XI H) Oakfield Parkonians C.C. at Fielder Sports Ground

4th XI A) Hadleigh and Thundersley C.C.

5th XI H) Billericay C.C. at Emerson Park Sports College

Romford Rifle and Pistol Club

We have a few new members joined recently.

Schools Liaison Officer

A meeting is due to be held tomorrow at Stubbers for the local schools PE coordinators and our SLO officer J Robson is attending. He will promote the Havering Sports Council and encourage school entries for our annual Sports Awards. He will also take the opportunity to distribute our new leaflets.

8. Newsletter/Website/Publicity

Nothing to report.

9. A.O.B

A conducted tour of Hornchurch Sports Centre was offered which D Wiltshire attended and he was very impressed by the new building and its facilities.

D Ainsworth will purchase a new Trophy this year from Trophyland Hornchurch for the new Peter Bruce Lifetime Memorial Award. The tradition of winners keeping a Silver Plated tray will continue.

10. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 24th May 2022.