

Any other business

- 1) The Executive Secretary asked club representatives to note the following points which do not correspond to the details in the League Handbook
 - Oddfellows and Earnshaw Cups, Semi Final ties - Sunday 22nd July. All games to start at 1pm and not 1.30pm as stated in the League Handbook.
 - T/20 Finals Day– Sunday 29th July.
T/20 Shield - Start time 12 noon.
T/20 Trophy – Start time 4 pm.
 - Oddfellows and Earnshaw Cup Finals – Sunday 5th August. Both games to start at 1pm and not 1.30pm as stated in the League Handbook.
- 2) The Emley Clarence representative was concerned that where there was inclement weather and no prospect of play, clubs had to abide by Rule L8(e) and wait for an hour after the scheduled start time before a game could be cancelled or abandoned. He asked if a rule change could be made? The Chairman said that in circumstances where it was obvious that no play would be possible, he felt that most umpires would use a "common sense approach".
- 3) The Barkisland representative asked that all electronic communication be sent to the Barkisland Secretary rather than the League representative.
- 4) The Hoylandswaine representative informed the Council that in the future the ECB may ask the League to use the "Playcricket" website for the posting of results etc.
- 5) The Holmfirth representative expressed his concern about the falling number of umpires in the League. The Chairman agreed that this was one of the biggest challenges currently facing the League, but he was similarly encouraged by the number of potential new umpires who will be joining the Umpires Association in 2013 when the League is expanded to 34 clubs.
- 6) The Broad Oak representative asked if it was possible to modify the proposal to expand the League to 14 clubs in the Premiership with 12 clubs in the Championship and Conference. The chairman said that any potential changes need to be made by the clubs themselves, and this could be done via the submission of a rule change.
- 7) The Meltham representative asked that in view of the expansion of the League for 2013, would the situation for promotion and relegation be unaltered for the current season? The Chairman confirmed this to be the case. See Rule L7(f).

The next meeting of the Council is Wednesday 1st August 2012 - 7:30pm at Almondbury CC.