

Sport Stockport

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held at Stockport Sports Village

Thursday 22rd May 2014

In the Chair: John Hargreaves

1. Members in attendance:

Chris Waker	Heaton Moor Hockey Club, Sport Stockport
Doreen Schofield	Stockport & District Table Tennis League, Sport Stockport
Brenda Hopkins	Heaton Moor Junior Hockey Club & Sport Stockport
Ron Linton	Dynamo Trampoline Academy & Sports Stockport
Julie Higham	Stockport 2006 Cycle Speedway Club & Sport Stockport
David Hume	Stockport TTA & Sport Stockport
John Hargreaves	Reddish North End F.C. & Sport Stockport
Ian Dixon	Life Leisure, Sport Stockport
Andrew Greasley	Marple Cricket Club
Dave Ollenshaw	SCLFC
David Withington	Norbury Lacrosse Club
Chris Jackson	Stockport Trinity Cricket
Lynda Sammons	Stockport Georgians F.C.
Terry Bright	Reddish North End FC
Ben Murray	Stockport Georgians C.C
Robert Davidson	Reddish North End FC
Wayne Butcher	Heaton Sports Club
Steven Burton	Bredbury St Marks Cricket Club
Peter Hall	Greave LTC
Susan Beavis	Greave Tennis Club
John Wharf	Stockport Harriers AC
Graham Lush	Stockport Cycle Speedway Club
Andy Holt	Romiley Cricket Club
Alan Dilkes	Stockport Harriers AC
Martin Losse	MFC & CHCC
Ged Newcombe	Stockport FA
Brian Lever	Compstall CC
Geoff Lindley	Compstall CC
Karen Dooley	Stockport School of Gymnastics

Chris Glennon	Hazel Grove CC
Alan Little	Hawk Green CC
Alan Taylor	Stockport Cycle Speedway Club
John Billinge	Woodley Cricket Club
Roy Welsh	Cheadle Heath Sports
Ian Milligan	Bramhall CC
Gareth Wheeler	Juno
Jamie Wilks	Stockport CC
Colin Wilks	Stockport CC
Mark Lockyear	Stockport County
John Jeskins	Heatons Sports Club

2. Apologies:

3. Minutes:

The minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on Thursday 24th May 2012 were taken as read and were approved.

4. Chair's Remarks – John Hargreaves:

Chairman's remarks:

Firstly, I would like to welcome you all to Sport Stockport's annual general meeting here at Stockport Sports Village. We will attempt to get through the formal part of the meeting as quick as possible so that we can move into the workshop we have planned in the classrooms.

Since realigning the aims and objectives of Sport Stockport in 2009 and working much closer with the sport development department at Life Leisure, the group has gone from strength to strength and continues to support a high number of local clubs each year. Placed on your chair, you will see a review of our achievements over the last 12 months. These highlight the support we can offer to local clubs, coaches and volunteers and I would urge all clubs to affiliate and access the benefits again this year. Affiliation has been held at £10 for a 4th consecutive year and we are once again proud to offer projects which directly benefit your club and its members.

Get Coaching Stockport can refund clubs 50% of the cost for level 1 & 2 coaching courses and over 450 people have accessed this over the last 4 years.

The club development fund provides financial assistance for clubs working towards or who have achieved Clubmark accreditation. Since its launch in 2010 we have distributed over £25,000 to local clubs and will continue this support over the next 12 months.

Our talented athlete fund is aimed at young people competing at a regional level or above and can award grants of upto £250. Last year we awarded 4 grants and look forward to making more awards throughout 2014/15.

The Sport Stockport website continues to provide a directory of local sports clubs and continues to grow with 185 organisations currently listed. I would urge all clubs to look on the website and update details if required, this can now be done online but please contact us for more information if required.

Our annual sports awards were held on Friday 27th September 2013 here at Stockport Sports Village and over 120 people were in attendance. Our guest for the evening was Team GB boxing star Natasha Jonas whilst Dom McGuinness from TalkSport compared the event, I'm sure everyone in attendance will agree it was a huge success. Also on your chair, you will find information about this year's event along with nomination forms for each of the categories. Please have a think about and nominate the various people in your club who offer endless amounts of time and effort to make sport happen across Stockport. Shortlisted candidates are offered 2 free tickets to the event and it really is a fantastic way to recognise all of their hard work.

Finally, if anyone in the room would like get involved with Sport Stockport, feel free to nominate yourself when we get to that point on the agenda or speak to me separately after the meeting. Our group is 100% volunteer led and meetings take place bi-monthly.

Thank You

John Hargreaves

6. Treasurer's Report

This year we have continued to work closely with Life Leisure, making decisions about applications to the Stockport Club Development Fund, resources for which have been provided by Life Leisure.

Ian Dixon will provide a more detailed report on both this and the coaching courses that have been attended by Stockport people.

The financial activities undertaken by Sport Stockport this year have related to the Awards Dinner, our Talented Athlete Fund, trophies for the annual Bowls Festival, and administrative costs.

In relation to the Awards Dinner, you can see that we again made a modest surplus this year, in spite of the lack of a big-name sponsor.

As far as the Talented Athlete's fund this year is concerned, we made five awards of £250. Three were for Cyclists, and two for Cricketers.

The change to the Co-operative Bank has continued to simplify the administration of the accounts; although we are more than covered by the FSCS, I am keeping an eye on what's happening with the bank.

One of the requirements to qualify for funding through Sport Stockport is to be affiliated, and – we have 49 clubs and organisations who paid their affiliation fee last year. This will remain at £10.00 for 2014/15, to cover our administrative costs – stationery, website etc.

Finally, I would like thank Denis Lowe for again auditing the accounts in a very speedy and timely manner. Unfortunately, he cannot be here tonight, due to a prior commitment, nevertheless I am grateful to him for completing the task swiftly - thank you, Denis. He has asked me to tell the meeting that he continues to be interested in Sport Stockport, and willing to continue to audit the accounts next year. He would like to come to the 2015 AGM, and so has asked me to see if we can avoid holding the meeting on May 14th and 21st – he already has appointments for those nights!

7. Election of Officers

Nominations received for the various positions on the Sports Council were voted on and the following were duly elected

President B Peter Howarth

Officers

Chair John Hargreaves

Vice Chair Not required

Treasurer Chris Waker

Secretary Julie Higham

Auditor Dennis Lowe

General Purposes Sub Committee

Chair John Hargreaves

Vice Chair	Not required
Treasurer	Chris Waker
Secretary	Julie Higham
	Yvonne Spurrell
	Doreen Schofield
	Ron Linton
	Eddie Crabtree
	Marie Thornton
	David Hulme
	Brenda Hopkins
	Jeff Shaw
	John Smith
	Ian Dixon – Partnership Manager

8. Constitution

No amendments were made to the constitution.

9. Accounts – Passed as a true record, please see attached document.



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