

**Forth Valley Cricket Development Group**

**Minutes of Meeting**

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2017 at Stirling County Cricket Club 7.00pm**

**Attendees:-** Kevin Taylor (FVCDG Secretary- Acting Chair), Umar Alslam (West Quarter & Redding CC / Treasurer), Ian Shaw (Cricket Scotland), Tony Phillips (CFV Coach), Barry McGeachy (Callander C.C), Rod Turnbull (Stirling County C.C), Gavin Anderson (Stirling County C.C), Steve Ollier (Stenhousemuir C.C). John Cooper( Trust), Ian Sandbrook (Cricket Scotland)

**Apologies:-** George Pollock (St Modans C.C), Alec Pollock (St Modans C.C.),

**Clubs Not in attendance:-** Doune C.C., Dollar C.C., Kippen C.C., Gargunnock C.C, St Modans CC, Clackmannan C.C

**Minutes of Last Meeting & Matters Arising** - the minutes of the last meeting were duly approved with no matters arising.

**All Stars Cricket Presentation by Cricket Scotland-** Ian Sandbrook Director of Participation at Cricket Scotland along with Ian Shaw- "All Stars Regional Champion" provided a exciting presentation about a new junior cricket nationwide programme called "All Stars Cricket" being launched this spring across Scotland to inspire 5 to 8 year olds to choose cricket as a sporting activity with a core ambition to inspire a whole generation of future players and volunteers to cricket clubs. They spoke about the challenges that lay ahead to attract children to choose cricket. They explained that the plan through this programme was to encourage more participation through more opportunities, great experiences, and community engagement leading to more people supporting and playing more cricket. The clear message given from the presentation is to attract kids by taking cricket to them at schools and also to show that cricket is for everyone and hopefully provide those opportunities to show this in various modified formats likes girls, disability, all cultures cricket etc. For further specific details on "All Stars Cricket" programme please refer to the Cricket Scotland Website –Information Sessions – Roadshow - for a full PDF presentation as well as [www.ecb.co.uk](http://www.ecb.co.uk).

Club Representatives thanked Cricket Scotland for the presentation and provided very positive support and feedback about this new exciting cricket initiative going forward.

**Treasurers Report-** UA provided the current bank balances in the CFV Bank Account and the Trust Account. UA also provided copies of the CFV monthly summary of accounts for December 2016 & January 2017 in relation to the Cricket Forth Valley Development Group Accounts. UA also explained that monies received from Sports Scotland have been transferred into the Trust Account along any monies received from the Clubs.

**Forth Valley Cricket Community Social Enterprise-** IS/KT/BM explained that the working party had prepared a draft constitution and this had been sent to Senscot for advice/approval. However due unforeseen circumstances the arranged meeting with Senscot before Christmas was cancelled. Presently the meeting remains outstanding, but will be re-arranged with immediate effect .

**Direct Club Schools-**TP provided an update on coaching in the Primary Schools. He spoke and explained about, which schools he had been coaching at since the last meeting held in November and how this was progressing. He further spoke about how coaching was coming together with the new additional Primary Schools across the Forth Valley area.

**CFV Development Squads** – TP provided an update on the CFV Development Squads and the Indoor winter coaching being undertaken at Dollar Academy, which was now coming to an end. He explained that the coaching had been a great success and especially thanked Grant Bradburn (Cricket Scotland Head Coach) for providing a specialist bowling and batting coaching session.

**Dollar Academy Hire** – IS spoke about how the Dollar Academy Hire proposal was progressing with the School and how funding applications for cricket covers/sheets, side screens etc were also progressing to support this proposal.

**CFV Unicorns-** KT/UA provided an update on how the indoor girls winter coaching had progressed over the winter at Dollar Academy which is also to end soon.

**AOCB-**TP mentioned a proposed CFV Development Squads short summer tour to Ireland at the end of July or beginning of August 2017. Discussions took place on this proposal with positive feedback and hopefully this proposed tour will be firmed up in due course moving forward.

BM mentioned that Callander CC were organising a cricket tour to Slovenia 21-28 July 2017 made up of players from Callander CC, St Modans CC, GVCC representing Cricket Forth Valley out there with shirts containing the Cricket Forth Valley logo. It is hoped that as a result of this tour that we can build

RT- mentioned that Stirling County CC had been approached by Marist College Ashgrove, Brisbane, Australia who are organising a under 15 UK Cricket Tour. They asked if New Williamfield, may be available to host 2 x 50 over games running simultaneously on 4<sup>th</sup> July 2017, since they have used the ground before during their 2015 tour. It was agreed that if they wanted opposition on the day this could be organised by CFV and taken forward with Stirling County CC.

Date of next meeting 26th April 2017 (to be confirmed) to be hosted by Callander CC at Callander Youth Project – (Callander Hostel, 6 Bridgend, Callander) at 7pm