***North of Scotland Cricket Association***

***Minute of Meeting***

**Date**: 4th August 2020

**Location:** Virtual meeting

**Chair:** Nigel Gerrard (NG)

**Present**: K Neill (KN), R Belli (RB), M Ross (MR), J Lean (JLean), C Farr (CF), Nicky Gerrard (NicG), C Blake (CB), M Fox (MF), A Duncan (AD), J Lodge (JL), G Ravi (H), K Fraser (KF)

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| Item |  | Action |
| 1 | **Welcome:** NG welcomed everybody |  |
| 2 | **Apologies**: J Ford, P Short |  |
| 3 | **Minute of meeting held on 14th July 2020:** .  The minute was accepted as a true and accurate record.  Proposed: C Blake Seconded: M Fox |  |
| 4 | **Matters Arising**   1. Mediation update: Forres St Lawrence have been contacted by the mediator and have confirmed they are keen to progress. Jlean will contact the Northern Counties executive to find out if the mediator has contacted them. 2. Working party: NG to contact J Ford in order to start this up again. 3. Funding application – Jerry Bishop conveyed thanks on behalf of HCDG for the grant. A report on the cricket summer camps programme will be requested for the next meeting. 4. Player registration directive – This has been updated and now states that email confirmation will also be sent to the player concerned. It was also agreed unanimously to change the notice period for registration from 12 hours to 24 hours before the scheduled start time of a game. Directive will be updated and added to the website. 5. Patron’s letter – MR to send out | JLean  NG  NicG  MR |
| 7 | **Update from Cricket Scotland**: Unfortunately cricket has been put in the contact sports category and for that reason friendly matches between clubs are still not allowed. The next review date for this is 24th August.  A power point presentation from Cricket Scotland has been circulated which gives details of a proposal to have a Scotland wide umpires and scorers association. This is with a view to Scotland becoming a full member of the ICC. The idea is to combine the East and West associations.  CF noted that the power point presentation showed mostly males of a certain age, which is ironic considering improvement in diversity is seen as an aim of Cricket Scotland  It was agreed that CB would respond on behalf of NoSCA to confirm that we are happy to consider the proposal as long as we are represented in future discussion. Clubs are encouraged to provide further feedback to CB.  It may also help with a pathway for inspiring umpires, although KN added that there is currently a pathway if you ask for it. | CB |
| 8 | **Update from clubs on their return to cricket status:**   * Northern Counties – senior training on Tuesday and Thursday with excellent turn outs. Junior training (U11’s) on Thursdays. Intra club game / training session held on Saturday 1st August and one planned for 8th August. * Fochabers – a couple of training sessions have been held with good numbers * Buckie – Working on their ground and pavilion * Ross County – Training started. Bowling machine is a big hit * Nairn – Training started with good numbers. Intra club games held * Huntly – Tuesday and Thursday training with good numbers. Intra club game this Saturday * Highland – Training started with good numbers. Saturday morning training taking place. Wicket being prepared. * Forres – Adult and junior training taking place. * Elgin – Hoping to start training next week and have an intra club game on Saturday. Getting the pavilion sorted for joint use with other groups. |  |
| 10 | **AOCB**   1. KN reported that Cricket Scotland staff are gradually returning to their full time posts. 2. MF asked about PVG certificates for coaches. CB will check requirements with Cricket Scotland 3. If anybody has items they would like to be included on future agendas, please forward to NicG. | CB |
| 11 | **Date, time and venue of the next meeting**:  The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 1st September 2020 at 7.00pm. |  |