

Winsley Cricket Club - Cricket Committee Meeting – 02 February 2026

Venue: Winsley CC

Present: Neil Hussey (NH -Chair and Minutes), Erica Baxter, Nadeem Ahmed, Josh Norgrove, Toby Nightingale, Vicki Keepen, Cameron Selway, Gareth Pugh, Irina Mann. Ben Phillips (for Club365 demo and as a guest)

Apologies: Joe Breet, Tina Foley, Peter Mundy, Dom Janes, Jon Keepen, Ben Howe. Andrew Cross,

The meeting opened at 20:03

1. Safeguarding and welfare

Support needed:

Get DBS' up to date – need to work together

Safeguarding pack coming from IM and NA for all Captains and Coaches.

Intend to be more visible with posters and info.

Action: NA to book a preseason briefing for captains and coaches at next meeting

Action: Coaches and captains to bring things they need prior to 2026 to NA and IM asap

GP raised knowledge of First Aid coverage.

Action: NA and IM to identify who is trained and up to date First Aid wise. Club 365 was discussed to help.

2. Actions from Previous Meeting

Blue – outstanding / Green - Completed

Action: EB to investigate Winter Training for Ladies in 2026 -awaiting the Monkton confirmation.

Action: EB and NH to make offers for 2026 candidates in June onwards.

Action: All to find a match fee and net payment helper.

Action: Hoses – To be sourced to replace the current ones which are perishing.

Action: Feed this back to Wiltshire Cricket again on volume of games and impact on clubs for ladies.

Action: NH to coordinate meeting to set us up properly for youth activity in 2026.

Action: Assess a structure around bowling machine use

Action: NH to sort Club 365 demo.

3. Ladies Cricket

Fixtures coming on Thursday at Avebury. That will help us understand the realities of the demand. Agreed we should and would get everyone together to discuss fixtures and coverage once the full picture is known.

Action: Get everyone together to create the fixture map with grounds

We have our female coach lined up for indoor based on winter conversations with NH, EB and VK. Nh and EB to check in and ensure she is still attending and planning.

Action: EB and/or NH to speak to Eleanor Varnier-Moore

4. Youth Cricket

U9 festivals at Bath were confirmed. This is the best option for us based on parent helpers and distances to travel. Wiltshire set up involves too many Swindon trips.

Discussion came back to First Aid and incentivising people who have qualifications to be on duty at games or ground events to be part of our coverage / support network.

All Stars and Dynamos all set up in Club Spark. Club registration window prior to national window. Can prioritise the coaches and volunteers this year and we therefore will. Everyone agreed we must look after our own. Ratios need to be looked at as we go.

Winter training is booked and covered with coaches. NH to finalise sale of places through the Club365 App.

Action: GP and NH to confirm coach coverage

Action: GP to call meeting with coaching group to assess and set up 2026

Action: NH to set up and advertise bookings for 24 places at Winter nets

5. Senior Cricket

Winter training – Coach role offered to Matt Tomes-Smith as JNG needs to ensure he isn't overloaded. Will be completed through Club365

Umpire forum training – Two dates in March and two in April. Discussed the need to ensure we stress the importance and get this out there early.

Action: NH and BP to organise advertising the forum training

Scoring Course – What asked if we could look at a scoring course for younger players in particular to mean we have greater support. Discussion concluded that scoring on iPads would be a better solution as all games straight onto Play Cricket and easier to teach someone.

6. Grounds

Renovations – Gone well. AC and JK continue to do what we need. No games at Winsley pre Women's WEPL debut on April 26.

Southwick – All gone well. NH met with them again in early Jan and working on actions for Youth Cricket at Southwick (Connor Dearlove is one coach)

7. Budget

All reminded of the constraints we have and the need to encourage revenue across all streams and support Ops Committee by playing our part.

8. AOB

None

Meeting closed: 20:57

Club365 Demo commenced immediately afterwards.