

WDCU Cricket Management Committee

Public - Meeting Summary

Meeting Date: 5 May 2026

Competition Administration

The Committee reviewed several competition administration matters arising from the opening weeks of the season.

A request to amend a match score on PlayHQ was considered. While it was accepted that an error had been made during scoring, the Committee confirmed that the PlayHQ system does not permit score amendments once a match has been completed and verified. No further action was taken.

The Committee also reviewed a bonus point allocation and agreed that the league records should be updated to correctly reflect the match outcome.

An issue relating to a fixture being played earlier than its scheduled date was noted and recorded, with no further action considered necessary.

A further fixture matter was reviewed in accordance with the league regulations, and the Committee confirmed the appropriate allocation of league points.

Club Operations

The Committee discussed responsibilities associated with hosting fixtures, including match-day arrangements and associated costs.

It was agreed that these operational matters should continue to be managed by individual clubs, allowing flexibility to meet local circumstances while ensuring league fixtures are fulfilled successfully.

League Structure and Playing Conditions

The Committee continued discussions on the future structure of league competitions, particularly the challenges created by limited Saturday ground availability for some clubs.

Members agreed that future league development should seek to provide sustainable competition structures while ensuring that smaller clubs are not disadvantaged.

Existing playing conditions were also reviewed, with particular consideration given to whether additional protections are required for lower league competitions. A review of the current regulations will be undertaken before any recommendations are brought forward.

The Committee also discussed the ongoing challenge of securing suitable cricket facilities and agreed that work should continue with national partners to explore opportunities for additional grounds.

Over 40 Cup Competition

The Committee confirmed that arrangements for the Over 40 Cup competition had been completed and approved the competition format and player eligibility requirements ahead of the season.

Player Eligibility

Several player eligibility enquiries were considered.

The Committee confirmed the eligibility of one player after reviewing the relevant registration requirements.

Further enquiries involving overseas player registrations were also considered. The Committee reaffirmed that all registration, residency and visa requirements must be fully satisfied before players are eligible to participate in WDCU competitions. The relevant clubs will be advised accordingly.

The Committee also confirmed that player registration limits relating to overseas amateur players remain in place and should continue to be applied consistently across all clubs.

Playing Equipment

The Committee considered concerns regarding the use of pink playing shirts where pink cricket balls are also being used.

Following discussion, it was agreed that further guidance should be sought before any changes to competition regulations are introduced. The Committee recognised the importance of ensuring sufficient contrast between clothing and the ball to support player safety and effective umpiring.

The matter will be referred for further consideration before a final decision is made.

Other Business

The Committee received an update on an issue relating to the McCulloch Cup and noted that the matter has now been resolved.

Summary of Agreed Actions

The Committee agreed to:

- Update league records to reflect the correct allocation of bonus points.
- Update league standings following the outcome of a fixture review.
- Review existing Playing Conditions to determine whether amendments are required to better support lower league competitions.
- Continue discussions with Cricket Scotland regarding opportunities to increase ground availability.
- Respond to clubs regarding player eligibility and registration requirements.
- Seek further guidance on the use of pink playing kit and determine whether any competition-wide restrictions should be introduced.
- Prepare recommendations for consideration by the Executive Committee regarding playing kit guidance.
- Publish any updated guidance following the outcome of those discussions.