

MINUTES OF THE HAVERING SPORTS COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 25TH JULY 2023

Present:	M Wallace	D Keeley	K Hamilton-Goddard
L Gaskin	D Ainsworth	K Heilbrunn	J Hickie
R Cook	S Deane	D Wiltshire	D Shewring

1. **Apologies for absence**
J West M.B.E., Cllr V Persaud, D Braiden, J Watson, A Dron and G Goddard.
2. **Minutes of the previous meeting**
The minutes were agreed as a true and accurate record and proposed by D Wiltshire and seconded by D Ainsworth.
3. **Matters Arising from the previous meeting**
A number of members of the Sports Council attended the recent funerals of D Breading and Cllr L Hawthorn, long time members and great supporters of the Havering Sports Council. Both funerals were very well attended and Denis and Linda will be greatly missed by all.
Free membership to all Clubs in the Borough was suggested as a way of increasing our membership. This could be tried for 2 years to see the response. This will be discussed at our next meeting in September.
4. **Correspondence**
None received.
5. **Membership Secretary's Report**
There has been no change in membership.
6. **Treasurer's Report**
The current account balances were reported on.
7. **Information on forthcoming events and results of past events**

Havering Athletic Club

The club's representatives at the English Schools Championships in Birmingham at the start of July came away with three individual and two relay medals. Findlay McLaren won junior 800m gold after improving the championship best set back in 1986 – it was also a club record. Stephanie Okoro added to her medal tally in winning the senior 400m hurdles and a few days later was selected for the England Under 18 squad at the Commonwealth Youth Games in Trinidad in two weeks. Ruby Tillson added the third medal, a joint silver in the intermediate high jump improving her club U17 & U20 record and also equalling the senior record. Stephanie Okoro and Paris King were members of the senior sprint relay team who won silver.

Club teams won 14 medals, six of them gold, at the recent Essex relay championships at Chelmsford. It was a good work out for the club's Under 17 4x100m relay teams who were invited to compete at the Club: Connect relays at the Diamond League Meeting at the London Stadium on Sunday. The Boys' team placed fifth in a new club record and the girls were sixth in a season's best time. The HSC Disability Competitor of the Year Kieran O'Hara also competed at the same meeting and placed a brilliant fourth in the Ambulant 1500m with a new career best time. HSC Runner Up Rebecca O'Rourke won bronze in the Ambulant 1500m at the England Athletics Senior & Disability Championships at Chelmsford, where Peter Brinton-Quinn won senior javelin silver. Finally, the Youth Development League Under 13 & Under 15 team won their final Southern Premier Division fixture at Tonbridge on Saturday to earn another year in the top division, which they have now competed in since 2016.

Upminster Bowling Club

With the outdoor bowls club season over 50% through, Upminster bowlers are represented in two finals organized by Essex County Bowling Association. The first is the Ashford Cup where Messrs. M Stevenson, T Allen, & N Cole are playing with P Souster as a travelling reserve. The other final is the Wally Ball where Messrs. J Morgan & T Allen are selected to play.

The Men's Captains Day was cancelled due to rain & the resulting condition of the bowling surface. The local association competitions are proceeding with some Upminster bowlers still in these competitions.

Havering 90 Joggers/Parkrun

Normal races are continuing. A mid-week five-mile race took part in Raphael's Park which was part of the ELVIS series and the adults learn to run sessions are going well.

Lisa thanked Dave Keeley for arranging a very enjoyable trip to parliament for HSC members and informed us that she has completed her time as club secretary.

Everyone Active

The new Rainham leisure centre has 1726 fitness members and 320 swim members. The Ice skating and swim sessions at the Sapphire Centre are well attended and the weight management classes are continuing.

K Hamilton enquired if there might be a possibility of any complimentary tickets available to HSC members for the Ice Hockey games. K Heilbrunn will look into this.

HDSA/Broxhill Archers

There was a team shoot at Broxhill Archery Centre with 23 over 45's taking part and HDSA won 3rd place.

On Saturday 29th July we are going to the Lyons disabled Club at King John School, Benfleet.

Hornchurch Cricket Club

Saturday 24th June

1st XI beat Buckhurst Hill by 64 runs. 2nd XI beat Buckhurst Hill 2nd XI by 87 runs. 3rd XI beat Upminster 4th XI by 3 wickets. 4th XI beat Billericay 4th XI by 6 wickets with Usama Annar scoring 100 runs. 5th XI beat Upminster 6th XI by 1 wicket.

Sunday 25th June

1st XI won at Harold Wood in the League Cup by 2 runs.

Saturday 1st July

1st XI beat Colchester E. Essex by 107 runs. 2nd XI drew with Westcliff-on-Sea 5th XI. 5th XI drew with Billericay 5th XI with D Imray scoring 200 runs.

Sunday 2nd July

1st XI beat East Mosely in the 3rd round of the Conference Cup by 3 wickets and now entertain Blackheath in the quarter final on Sunday 13th August.

Saturday 8th July

1st XI won at Hadleigh and Thundersley by 109 runs with Lesbourne Edwards scoring 100 runs. 2nd XI beat Gidea Park and Romford 2nd XI. 3rd XI lost to Orsett and Thurrock 3rd XI by 3 wickets. 4th XI lost by 10 wickets to Leigh-on-Sea 3rd XI.

Sunday 9th July

1st XI lost to Wanstead and Snaresbrook in Essex T20 semi-final at Billericay by 2 wickets.

Saturday 15th July

1st XI drew at Wanstead and Snaresbrook with Adel Malik scoring 106. 2nd XI won against Billericay. 3rd XI drew at South Woodford. 4th XI beat Orsett and Thurrock 4th XI by 4 wickets. 5th XI drew with Harold Wood 5th XI and 6th XI lost to Upminster 7th XI by 16 runs.

Saturday 22nd July

All games abandoned due to rain.

Sunday 23rd July

Hornchurch U16 beat Woodford Wells U16 in the quarter final of Essex Matchplay Competition by 13 runs.

Having Tri

At the end of June 8 members went to Germany for a full distance Iron Man. Only 3 finished as the temperature was 32 degrees. There were 2000 or more competitors taking part in total. In July members took part in a Sprint Triathlon and also later on a full distance Ironman.

K.A.S.

The swim school has now closed for the summer.

8. Newsletter/Website/Publicity

London Youth Games

Having came 3rd out of 32 Boroughs.

9. A.O.B.

There will be 2 members from the HDSA competing in the Barts Hospital Transplant Games.

10. Date of next meeting

The next meeting will take place on Tuesday 26th September 2023.

