Minutes of Managers Meeting Held on 4th September 2024

1: Attendees

- Committee Members Present JD, AL, WL, BS, MB
- Formal Apologies Received Craig Chappell (U12 Reds)
- Attendance by Team:

U6	JD & WL	U11 Yellows	None Present
U7 Blues	JD & MC	U12 Yellows	AB
U7 Reds	CH & JD	U12 Reds	None Present
U8 Blues	MB, HD	U12 Blues	MG
U8 Yellows	JB	U13 Valkyries	JM / JW
U9 Blues	None Present	U13 Whites	DG and GS
U9 Yellow	TW	U13 Reds	AL
U10 Blue	None Present	U13 Blues	WL
U10 Red	None Present	U14 Reds	BS
U10 White	JH	U14 Blues	KK
U10 Yellow	None Present	U16 Reds	None Present
U11 Blue	CS & MF	U16 Blues	BS
U11 Red	DC & MC		
U11 Valkyries	KK		

2: Welcome and Introductions

- JD welcomed all attendees to the meeting
- Print out of Player Details (Photography, Medical Conditions, Emergency Contact Details) from LoveAdmin were issued.

3: FA Documentation & Rules (On WhatsApp)

JD quickly covered the various information pieces recently placed on the Manager & Coaches WhatsApp. These would be put out to the full membership in a club newsletter within the next week.

- o New Rules in Mini Soccer U7, U8, U9s this season.
 - No Intentional Heading
 - Kick/Dribble Ins instead of Throw Ins
 - "Edge of the box" freekicks
- o Grassroots Codes for Adults and Youths
- o Grassroots Discipline
- o Sinbin Guidance

4: Team Registration

Committee confirmed that all Team registrations to leagues and cups had been completed. The last-minute move of the U13 Whites has been resolved within this.

3: Player Registration

• JD and MB explained the club membership and then league registration process which has taken place during the Summer.

- We have asked for consent to be given within Love Admin for each child to be registered and to ensure that their records are updated.
- All players providing this consent along with those who have a Direct Debit in place and do
 not owe the club any money have been registered within Whole Game against their team for
 the 2024/25 season.
- This has been a long-winded process, and some parents and team managers have not responded / chased up and fulfilled as required.
- Two people stopped their Direct Debits during the Summer and have been reminded of the 'Summer pays for Winter' protocol and the notion of Annual Membership spread across the year.
- Players should be present on the FA FullTime Squad Lists to be able to play games. Anyone
 who is not listed is not eligible and cannot play.
- We asked which teams currently have spaces for more players. The following were identified:
 - o U11 Reds
 - o U12 Blues
 - o U13 Valkyries
 - o U14 Reds

4: Notification of Fixtures

- JD reminded all that whilst fixtures appear on Full Time they are not the complete details
- The club will post in the WhatsApp Group the weekly fixtures (Two sets one for each league)
- BS (Blackpool League) and AL (Poulton League) will work to co-ordinate referees, pitches and times for Home fixtures. Other clubs will do the same for your Away Fixtures – the information from opposition managers is therefore crucial.

5: Referees

- Referee Fees for 2024/25 are:
 - \circ 5 a Side (U7/U8) = £15,
 - \circ 7 a side (U9/10) = £20,
 - o 9 a side (U11/U12) £25,
 - o Small 11 (U13/U14) £30,
 - o Big 11 (Under 15/Under16) £35,
 - o Under 18 £40

Note there may be slightly different fees for Lancashire Cup games.

- All Advised to claim in batches via online form (10 games worth is recommended)
- If you have no referee appointment, then the club secretaries BS and AL will seek in the first instance. Please heed the advice Lancashire FA unofficial refs without DBS are not to be used.

• We will provide an club approved List of Refs for KJFC to use – this is an open action on the Committee's Action Log.

6: Pitch Update

An update by facility was provided:

- o Coronation Road
 - Pitch 1 = 1 X 7, Small 11
 - Current unplayable Considerable mole hills and holes to repair
 - o Pitch 2 = 1 X 9 / Small 11 (Meets both criteria) and Big 11
 - Looking for Small 11 Nets Currently. The ones we have bought in the past viewed as flimsy. Looking at more robust (and alas more expensive) alternatives
 - o The amount of dog mess was highlighted as a problem.
 - Committee is organising a meeting with Kirkham Council to discuss a range of matters. (Grit Boxes, Future Storage of Goals, Leaking Water etc)
- Wesham
 - o 2 X 5
 - 1 X7 Aware centre spot isn't great.
 - No other real areas of concern to flag to group. Net pen has been treated with Weed
 - We are having a meeting with the council shortly to discuss current position and future provision.
- o Weeton
 - o 1 X 9,
 - o 1 X 11
 - Key Whereabouts remains "an issue"
 - Committee is organising a meeting with DIO and the Barracks Leadership to discuss current position and future provision.
- o Bank Lane
 - o 1 X 5,
 - 1 x 7,
 - o 1 x 9 (or Small 11) recognise that the Small 11 experiment didn't really work.
 - o 1 X 11
 - o Mid-September availability for 5 and 7 a side
- o AFC Fylde
 - o 1 X 11 on Sunday Mornings (from 20th October)

7: Winter Training

- Starts 7th October new members will need to sign up to gain access.
- Slots for New Teams to be booked in.
- We will pull together a grid and publish ahead of time.

8: Wet Weather Provision

Following the wash out of last season the following was mentioned

- Reverse Fixtures if possible.
- AFC Fylde potential for 5 a side (and 7 a side at a push) fixtures in the cages.
- 9 a side is problematic (sorry!).
- 11s on AFC Fylde on Sunday Mornings is booked (See above).

9: Kit and Equipment

- New Stanno Kits now in place aware of some quality concerns. We are monitoring the situation.
- Use the new online form to place equipment orders when needed.

10: DBS and Safeguarding Position

- Attendees reminded of this basic requirement.
- Lists are published with plenty of time for corrective action No active DBS then no coaching allowed (in any form!)

11: Player Streaming within Age Groups

- A scenario in the current Under 11s was presented where the Reds (who are in the highest league) are short of players and wish for the stronger players from the Blues and Yellows to be given the opportunity to join them.
- Committee re-iterated the position on the website. Managers have the right to advertise, and players have the right to trial with no consequences.

11: Coaching

- Attendees reminded of the coaching requirement provision in the club.
- Each team need to someone with a Level 1 (Introduction to Football) qualification as a minimum. Club reimburses on completion.

- Level 2 (UEFA C) will also be funded by the club. Couple of coaches in the club hold if anyone is interested in finding out what is involved. (Neil Whipp, Nick Hastings for instance)
- We hold an annual subscription to the Coaching Manual If anyone wants to be added to the licence then please email admin@kirkhamjuniors.co.uk and we will sort.

12: AOB

- Discussed how to thank our sponsors for their support Agreed that end of year trophies
 was the best, easiest and most uniform way of recognising their support. Committee will
 take forward at the end of the season.
- Question was raised as to whether the sponsors were correct on website. It was agreed that
 they weren't probably weren't 100% accurate and would be looked into. (We will need a
 central list of the active sponsors collating)
- It was explained that the best method of recognising their support was including a shout out to them on team performance postings on KJFCs Facebook page.
- JD / WL updated that the new Under 6s have 20 Kids attending and not actively seeking more at this stage.
- JD said that the club will start a new Under 5s in April 2025.
- JD remarked that there was a range of jobs to volunteer toward. The Committees Action List currently has over 30 actively open.
- There is a spare place on the Committee currently. If anyone is interested then speak to JD in the first instance.
- Discussion was held around the Valkyries strategy going forward. Agreed to organise a separate meeting to discuss. (AP added to Committee Actions List)

13: Next Meeting

• The next manager's meeting will be held on Wednesday 6th November 2024.

14: Meeting Close

• Minutes will be published to website and circulated via WhatsApp.