MINUTES OF AWJFC COMMITTEE MEETING MONDAY 22nd January 2024 7.30 pm The Three Crowns Ashurst Wood

Present at meeting

Paul Newman, Steve Moore, Ray Dennis, Lesley Dennis Gary Anders, Dave Frost, Guy Wyatt, Rachel du Feu

32.1. APOLOGIES

Maxine Townsend, Rik Locke

32.2 CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Chairman has been talking to the councils new contractors Glendale who are taking over all pitch maintenance and bookings. He also had a meeting with the chairmen of the sports council, the Meads and East Grinstead Town to talk about what to expect going forward. He has spoken to Adam Fowler who is now 18 and has been a player with the club since he was 5 and he now wants to give back and coach next years intake of u5s and u6s. He reported that the club has received another grant from the council for £500 which is much appreciated. Barclays have again agreed to match the profits of our upcoming quiz night. He thanked Guy and Dave again for helping with the line painting at Cowden especially in this cold weather.

32.3 WELFARE

Dave did not have much to report apart from a couple of coaches who he has reminded that parts of their qualifications were coming up for renewal

32.4. WEBSITE

It was noted that parts of the website needed updating but as Rik was unable to attend at the last minute, he requested that we get it all together and and he will make sure that this will be done.

32.5. SEASON 24/25

It was agreed that next season, the fees increase would be kept to a minimum but was necessary to keep up with ever increasing costs therefore, u6s will be kept at £130 and all other age groups going up by £10 which makes u7-10 £155 and u11-18 £175 this will be confirmed once we have an idea of future incoming expenses.

32.6 FINANCIAL UPDATE

Rachel, very kindly provided an updated financial forecast at short notice which was much appreciated and shows that the club remains in a strong financial position. It was agreed that this should form an integral part of every committee meeting going forward.

32.7. QUIZ NIGHT

Preparations for the quiz night are going well and it was agreed to have tables of eight again at a cost of £4 per person. The rugby club will again provide food at £7.50 per head, the same as last year and a licensed bar. We have a new quizmaster this year Pete Jenkins who has very generously offered his services for free.

32.8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Paul requested that he be taken off as a trustee but is happy to stay on as a committee member. It was suggested that a representative from every team should attend a committee meeting to encourage more suggestions and possible committee members in the future.