

## **Scottish Hockey Short Life Working Group**

Remit – review all adult outdoor competitions run by Scottish Hockey for season 2021/2022 onwards. To report back to Management Committee no later than August 19<sup>th</sup> 2020.

### **Members**

- Gordon Black
- Martin Boag (Chair)
- Euan Cowan
- Chris Duncan
- Jamie Frail (SH Head of Domestic Hockey)
- Fraser Munro
- Siobhan Penman
- Alex Walker
- Becky Ward

### **Meeting 1 – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2020**

The following were able to attend this short notice meeting.

GB, MB, JF, FM, SP

The meeting was held on Zoom and recorded – detail of how to access to follow.

MB thanked the group for their participation and explained the remit to the group and the timescales we needed to operate within.

We reviewed the structure that was there for season 2019/2020 and what will be there for season 2020/2021. Management and Premierships groups have already made those decisions.

### **Womens competitions**

Season 2019/2020 – all games not played due to Covid crisis.

- Premiership 10 teams (only 1<sup>st</sup> teams) playing 18 games plus playoffs
- National League 2 10 teams (only 1<sup>st</sup> teams) playing 18 games.
- Championship 1 10 teams (3 1<sup>st</sup> teams , 5 2<sup>nd</sup> teams , 2 3<sup>rd</sup> teams) playing 18 games
- Championship 2 9 teams (6 1<sup>st</sup> teams , 3 2<sup>nd</sup> teams , 0 3<sup>rd</sup> teams) playing 16 games
- Championship 3 8 teams (3 1<sup>st</sup> teams , 5 2<sup>nd</sup> teams , 0 3<sup>rd</sup> teams) playing 14 games

Season 2020 / 2021 – number of games to be decided by Covid crisis.

- Premiership 12 teams (only 1<sup>st</sup> teams)
- National League 2 12 teams (only 1<sup>st</sup> teams)
- Championship 12 teams (3 1<sup>st</sup> teams , 7 2<sup>nd</sup> teams , 2 3<sup>rd</sup> teams)
- Championship 1 12 teams (6 1<sup>st</sup> teams , 6 2<sup>nd</sup> teams , 0 3<sup>rd</sup> teams)

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- National League 2 10 teams (only 1<sup>st</sup> teams) playing 18 games.
- National League 3 6 teams (only 1<sup>st</sup> teams) playing 15 games.

- Regional League 1 10 teams (0 1<sup>st</sup> teams , 9 2<sup>nd</sup> teams , 1 3<sup>rd</sup> teams) playing 18 games
- Regional League 2 7 teams (1 1<sup>st</sup> teams , 3 2<sup>nd</sup> teams , 3 3<sup>rd</sup> teams) playing 18 games

Season 2020 / 2021 – number of games to be decided by Covid crisis.

- Premiership 12 teams (only 1<sup>st</sup> teams)
- National League 15 teams (only 1<sup>st</sup> teams)
- Regional League 16 teams (1 1<sup>st</sup> teams , 11 2<sup>nd</sup> teams , 4 3<sup>rd</sup> teams)

We looked at cup competitions but needed more details on rules to enter

- Scottish Cup / Plate
- District Cup / Plate
- Reserve Cup / Plate

Premiership for both women and men will be 12 team leagues for season 2020/2021, with bottom team relegated and 2<sup>nd</sup> bottom going into a relegation/promotion playoff.

MB explained we are still looking to add two members (1 male and 1 female) to the group, profile being involved in or recently involved in U18 / U21 program and playing in or previous playing experience of Premiership / National / Regional / Championship. *(MB – Note Euan Cowan subsequently added to the group as the male.)*

MB to reach out to a number of people who have indicated an interest in providing suggestions which will then be shared to the group. MB said if we felt it necessary we could invite any of those people to join the next or future call to be questioned more by the whole group.

MB asked the group to think about potential formats and bring them back to next meeting.

Group decided that next meeting would be Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July at 7pm, with likely other dates being Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July, Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> August and Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August.

Meeting ended.