

## **Scottish Hockey Short Life Working Group – Minutes of Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

### **Meeting 5 –Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

Attended by

- Martin Boag (MB)
- Jamie Frail (JF)
- Fraser Munro (FM)
- Gordon Black (GB)
- Siobhan Penman (SP)
- Becky Ward (BW)
- Alex Williams (AW)
- John McKenzie (JMCK) – attended for part of the meeting to answer questions around the premiership.

Apologies from

- Chris Duncan
- Euan Cowan

The meeting started at 6.30pm and was carried out over Zoom and the meeting recorded.

#### **Agenda**

- Review minutes from last meeting
- Review Principles
- Questions re Premiership
- Review Competition Structure

#### **Review minutes from last meeting**

MB asked the meeting to confirm accuracy of minutes, there were some changes around the dates on the issued document.

MB also took this opportunity to say he has asked via the President for written Terms of Reference for this Short Life Working Group but has yet to receive any.

#### **Review Principles**

FM and GB has missed the last meeting so we took time to add their views on the principles.

Questions re Premiership

JMCK took questions from BW, MB, FM on the following topics:

- Structure of Premiership, whilst JMCK stressed the increase to 12 teams was down to Covid it was also note that the board did not sanction any relegation. The 12 teams structure intended to be in place for two years.
- Process – JMCK said the process would be once we had finalised our proposal this would go to Management Committee for a prompt turn around and then to the all clubs (including the Premiership clubs) and the to the board.
- Development of Officials – JMCK said the Premiership games will be played Friday nights, Saturdays and Sundays to help develop younger umpires.

- Relegation Playoff – JMCK didn't see why any relegation playoffs couldn't be played over 3 matches if the calendar allowed.

### **Review Competition Structure**

We concluded on the Cup structure and which of the principles they each met. There was some discussion around regionalising the early rounds but conclusion was these were national competitions and should be from the outset.

We started to look at Womens league structure but did not conclude.

Group decided that next meeting would be Monday 17<sup>th</sup> August at 6.30pm.

Meeting ended.at 8.30 pm