

London FA	Minutes of the LFA Board
Date:	Monday 24 th August 2020, 19:45 – 20:00
Venue and time:	Via London FA Office and Microsoft Teams
Present:	James Middlehurst (Chair), Simon Hughes, Ian Wallis, Roger Fox, Beth Archer, Yashmin Harun, Drew Patterson, Paul Mortimer, Ali Morgan Paul Bickerton – CEO
Apologies:	Derek Harris, Vivienne Aiyela

No	Item and Discussion	Action
1	London FA Membership Rules Amendment	
1.1	IW thanked Board members for convening at short notice following the London FA Council meeting	
1.2	IW explained that over the summer the London FA Cup Competitions Committee had voted to approve a change to the cup competition rules for the 2020-21 season, to allow teams from outside of the London FA boundary to enter the London cups. Clubs from out of the London region had done this for many years but the detailed review of cup rules over the summer had highlighted that this was not apparently authorised in the current rules.	
1.3	The cup rules for the 2020-21 season have since been amended to reflect this change. However, it has been brought to our attention that as a result of this change in the cup rules there is now an inconsistency with the London FA's rules on membership.	
1.4	Membership rule 1 states that all clubs affiliating to London FA must have their headquarters within a radius of twelve miles of Charing Cross. This would appear to preclude any clubs from outside that geographical area from participating in London FA's cup competitions.	
1.5	IW proposed a simple solution, which was to update the London FA membership rules to allow clubs from outside the London FA boundary to participate in London FA cup competitions, provided they meet certain requirements.	
1.6	It was proposed that the following wording be added to London FA membership rule 1: <i>'Clubs who are parented to another County Football Association and have their headquarters outside of the twelve mile radius from Charing Cross will be permitted to enter a London FA cup competition, provided they take out a secondary affiliation with London FA, pay the cup entry fee in full and have the consent of their parent County FA'</i>	
1.7	SH explained that it was the London FA Board's responsibility to approve changes to the membership rules, in accordance with Article 8.	
1.8	APPROVED: The Board approved this membership rules change, with the proviso that PB check that it is compliant with FA regulations.	PB to check that this change is in line with FA regulations and report back to IW