**YORK AND DISTRICT SQUASH LEAGUE**

**Annual General Meeting**

**Wednesday 24 May 2017 at 8:00pm**

**York Sports Club**

**Minutes**

*Apologies*

1. Apologies for absence were received from John Fletcher, Nicky Horn, Mark Smales, Ian Ball and Brian Godson.

*Minutes from previous AGM*

2. These were approved.

*Chairman’s statement*

3. Andy provided an overview of the season, which had been good overall though there was some concern at the competitiveness of Division 1.

*Secretary’s report*

4. The league winners were:

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| Division 1 | Wigginton 1 |
| Division 2 | Stillington 1 |
| Division 3 | Selby 2 |
| Division 4 | York 7 |
| Division 5 | York 8 |

5. The York Open (held at York Squash Club) winner was Matthew Stephenson (Dunnington), who beat Paul Adams (David Lloyd).

6. The Vets (held at Wigginton) winner was Marc Thomas (York RI), who beat Gus Clapham (Wigginton). The Vintage winner was Paul Robson (York), who beat Nicky Horn (Stillington).

*Treasurer’s report.*

7. In John’s absence, Marc said that the league finances continued to be okay, with a balance of £2,040. Income was £1,300 and expenditure was £1,123. All teams were paid up.

8. Selby Squash Club had been successful in extending the lease on the club. Given the importance of the club to the league, we agreed to donate £500 to Selby for club improvements. Marc noted that Yorkshire Squash were also planning on donating £500.

*Election of committee*

9. Both Andy Tuck (Chairman) and Marc Thomas (Secretary) confirmed their intention to stand down. There were no volunteers to replace them.

10. We agreed that Marc would again request volunteers to fill these positions. In the absence of volunteers of secretary we agreed that the role of secretary would be taken on by individual clubs, with a club fulfilling the role for a single year before passing it on.

*Update to Constitution and Rules*

11. There was an extensive discussion about the playing conditions in Division 1. Proposals were put forward to reduce the size of teams in Div 1 to 3 or 4 players. If the teams remained at 5, this would probably result in teams dropping out of the division.

The majority of the attendees were in favour of reducing the number of players in a team in Division 1 to four. The number of clubs in the division will be finalised by the committee. The fixtures would be on a simple home and away basis.

12. We discussed whether we should mandate the use of goggles for juniors in Division 1. We agreed that it would be our policy for all juniors under 19 to wear goggles in competitive games, as is applied to England Squash sanctioned events.

**Action: Marc to amend the rules.**

*Any other business*

13. The York Open would be on week commencing 5th February 2018.