NWFCC Spring Club Meeting 2017 – Executive Summary

27 people attended the Spring Meeting at Culcheth on 4th March 2017. Chairman Garry Wilson updated members on the CA Working Party currently discussing CA Governance and the Role of the Federations, the north west committee had discussed this in great detail and submitted recommendations to the working party. League Manager, Ivan Wheatley, reported the Advanced A League will not be running this year but we still have 46 teams competing in six different leagues for 2017. Coaching Officer, Paul Rigge confirmed GC coaching to be run at Craig-y-Don and Tattenhall, there will be an AC Silver level course at both Chester and Llanfairfechan. A referees course had been held at Bowdon and there is a club Handicappers meeting on 25th March. CA Representative John Dawson updated the meeting on the requirement for all clubs to report any safeguarding incidents to the CA. The CA will be appointing a full time National Development Officer and there are also updated tournament regulations. Once again consternation was expressed about the delayed implementation of the new national IT system. The draft league rules for 2017 were accepted. The Southport motion to change the B League to an A League (without scratch players) was overwhelmingly rejected. The Bowdon motion to abandon the extra time in Short league matches when games are double banked, was accepted.

The date of the next meeting, the Federation AGM, will be held on 18th November 2017.

(Above is a personal interpretation by Tony Thomas)