

Honley Cricket Club Centenary Committee

Minutes of the first meeting of the Honley Cricket Club Centenary Committee which was held in Honley Conservative Club on Thursday 11th November 1976.

Members present:-

Mr H. N. Holdroyd

Mr W. Large.

Mr J. P. Skimming

Mr J. Brickley.

Mr J. Airey

Mr B. Wilson.

Mr B. Brooke.

Mr N. Webster.

Mr L. Green.

Mr H. N. Holdroyd was elected chairman of the Committee with Mr W. Large as secretary.

feeling was held that if the name was changed to Honley Cricket Club in November 1879, then the first playing season was 1880. Mr. Anley proposed that the Committee send a recommendation to the General Committee that 1980 be adopted as the Centenary year. Mr. J. Bierley seconded this motion which was carried.

Mr. Bierley was asked to give his views on the possible cost of preparing a Centenary Brochure as most members wanted some tangible souvenir. He stated that the cost of paper had escalated over the last few years and therefore it would be difficult to assess how much a Brochure was likely to cost in 1980. The probable cost of a good brochure at the present ^{time} was of the order of 50 to 75p and he wondered how many brochures could be sold at this price. The cost of the brochure could, ^{possibly} be

reduced by having advertisements in the brochure, but the cost of the blocks to produce the adverts would also be excessive. The Committee decided that it was desirable to produce a brochure and the Chairman asked all members to collect all snippets of information that they could over the next few months because the task of editing a brochure could be a real headache. In order to produce a brochure ^{for 1980}, the proofs should be finalised by October, November 1979 which meant that editing had to be completed by mid 1979. Although we still had two years in hand the collection of information needed to be done fairly quickly.

Mr B. Wilson - was in favour of the Club holding a Centenary Concert in the Town Hall, Huddersfield, with a leading brass band, Honley Male Voice Choir and Honley

Ladies Choir as the attractions.
He said that he would get out a preliminary costing, eg. hire of hall, cost of band etc in the near future so that a provisional booking could be made for the Town Hall during Spring 1980.

Mr Ainley suggested that during 1980 the Club should hold a six a side 'Pub League' and that Public Houses in the Area should be contacted to see if they were interested in such a venture. A series of junior matches could also be held so that cricket was being played nearly every night during the season.

Mr Skimming thought that the season should start with a fixture with the Yorkshire County Cricket Club and that the county should be approached to find out their views.

Other ideas suggested were

a pig roast, a Cross Land
contest, a sports meeting and
a carnival.

The next meeting was fixed
for ~~Thursday~~ ^{10th 11th} ~~Friday~~ 3rd February 1977.

J. Brub (Acting
Chairman)