

# HINCKLEY AND DISTRICT TABLE TENNIS LEAGUE

## Rule Amendment Proposals

The Committee have collated the rule proposals received for consideration at this years' AGM, as stated below:

### **1. UNPLAYED MATCHES (CONCEDED/FORFEITED/UNPLAYED)**

When a scheduled match is deemed to be unplayed by the visiting team, and where costs are incurred by the home team [a no show on the night/insufficient players to field a team]; the home team will report the event to the Match Secretary within 3 calendar days of the event, stating their outlay. The Club will reimburse the home club, payable within 14 calendar days of the claim. The Committee has set a maximum of £15 towards any claim. If the venue does not carry a cost for room hire, then a claim cannot be made.

### **2. CONCEDING/FORFEITING MATCHES**

*Conceding/forfeiting matches is NOT sporting and gives unfair advantage to "victim" teams.*

*For a sub-rule to Rule 20/21:*

The Committee do not endorse unnecessary forfeiting of matches. Those matches scheduled for play, be it League game, cup game or any other ad hoc competition, the conceding team will be subjected to a £5 fine, payable before the last match of the current season. If this is not met by the team, it will automatically pass to the Club to honour. In ALL cases, the match secretary for that game should be advised in writing by BOTH teams (email, text, WhatsApp are acceptable); failure to do so will result in an additional £5 fine.

### **3. RULE 20 (FORFEITED MATCHES)**

*An alteration to the point allocation system currently in place...*

No match shall be postponed except in very severe mitigating circumstance, which then must be notified to the Match Secretary and considered. The Committee's decision will be final. The committee *may* extend the playing season by one week to help fixture congestion. Shortage of one player or can only field an under-strength side will NEVER be constituted as a mitigating circumstance. The Team deemed to be at fault will be deducted 3 points and **10** points will be awarded to the other team involved. If both Teams are found to be at fault, no awarded points will be allocated but both Teams will have 5 points deducted.