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### **AFC Club Hon. Secs.**

Dear Member,

Re: Constitution for season 2008/09.

Following a meeting of the AFC Constitution Committee, on 14<sup>th</sup> May 2008, we have agreed a draft constitution to propose to clubs, for approval at this year's AGM.

The proposed constitution and structure are attached.

Next season will continue with the present structure of 5 senior divisions, 3 regions, and 2 sub regions in the South. Unfortunately, due to a decline in the number of teams, we have lost 2 divisions; 5 West and 7 South East.

There are six new clubs next season, FC Tilburg Regents, Globe Rangers, Goffs Old Boys, Lea Valley, RBL Loughton AFC and Standard Chartered Bank. Chislehurst Sports have resigned from the league. The Constitution will consist of 100 clubs and 340 teams.

During our deliberations it was noted that several Clubs are running closed squad systems which is adversely effecting promotion and relegation. We have tried to avoid rewarding the more blatant examples.

I do remind all clubs that the League tends to lose teams during the close season so the Constitution is subject to adjustment.

As is our customary practice we welcome your comments. Should you wish to comment on the proposal please contact Bob Coates by June 1st. We can then take your views into consideration in time to make recommendations to the AGM on June 20th. According to league rules clubs require 14 days notice of any proposed changes. Therefore we will not accept any proposals to change the Constitution at the AGM.

Regards

Bob Coates (Chairman Constitution Committee)