## DRAFT PROPOSAL FOR THE MERGER OF THE LOB CUPS WITH THE AFC

Currently the AFC Match Secretaries arrange LOB Cup fixtures and fix the dates and venues for finals. Referees are appointed by the AFC Referee Secretaries.

## **Proposal**

The LOB Cup Competition is merged with the AFC for Season 2019/20.

A separate Cup Committee be added to the AFC structure with a Chairman, Match Secretaries, Referees Secretaries and a Cup Final Co-Ordinator.

The Rules of the LOB Cup Competition are added to the AFC as an addendum to the existing rules rather than a merger of rules. This makes it easier to follow for cup entrants. The LOB Cup Rules will need some minor amendments.

Cup Competition Rules are not subject to the FA SCOR.

The balance of the LOB Cup finances are merged with the AFC account but treated in a similar fashion to the Dave McCarthy account. This allows the new Cup Committee to monitor expenditure.

Currently the LOB Cup Competitions are open to all AFC Teams, Old Boy Teams from other Competitions and a number of SAL Teams. I would recommend that the new Competition retain its openness rather than become an AFC League Cup. Some AFC Clubs are affiliated to Counties other than the AFA and do not have the option of playing against other AFA Teams.

A decision needs to be made about the Jack Perry Veterans Sunday Cup. The AFC is a Saturday only Competition and may not wish to organise a Sunday Cup.

There would probably be no need to affiliate it as a separate competition with the AFA.

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