15/9/22

Minutes from a Cowmittee meeting about trans and non-binary inclusivity

Present:

Sensi, Lizzie and Harry.

Apologies:

Wendy, Zoe, Issy, Jo. Lizzie apologises to Ev for not Zooming her in as it was too much for her.

1. Manchester Laces has asked grassroots football clubs to show support of trans and non-binary players and opposition to the FA rules by contributing a statement to their website. We wrote a summary of ourselves (mainly taken from the website) and sent it them.
2. BWCL has agreed that any team being transphobic will get a yellow card in the first instance and will not be allowed to play in the league in the second instance. This is in the information pack that all captains have signed to state that they and their team have read and agreed to.
3. BWCL is prepared to disaffiliate with the FA if any official demonstrates transphobia.
4. We need to open the discussion about our full club trans inclusion policy with other sections of the club and start discussing whether our name ‘cowgirls’ continues to serve its purpose. Shall we change more of our language to reflect that we are open to people who identify as female, trans and non-binary?