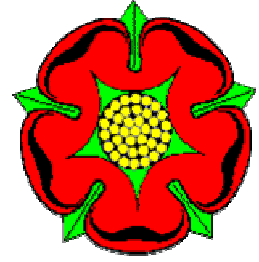


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Nigel,

Further to our telephone conversation in the lead up to Xmas regarding our League's affiliation fee, please find enclosed, as discussed the cheque for the outstanding amount of £40.

As explained, your letter notifying us that we were about to be downgraded from full member status was the first correspondence we had received regarding any due fees. Whilst not doubting that invoices were raised none were received and we took exception to your implication that these had simply been ignored.

NW Counties 13-15's have always been very supportive of BARLA and pro-active in participation of all BARLA events and to be dismissed so seemingly flippantly over an apparent mix-up was found to be astounding and more than a little disappointing. As mentioned, a simple 10p phone call enquiring whether there was an issue over payment would have produced a much more satisfactory outcome all round and would have meant a cheque could have been despatched forthwith once the problem had been highlighted.

I would also like to highlight (again as mentioned during our telephone conversation) that even the letter you sent had not my own but Margaret Byrne's postcode on it Is it not therefore equally possible that a mistake was made during mailing which would explain why no invoices were received???

I again apologise for the delay which has occurred since our telephone conversation but our first NW Counties meeting has only just taken place since we spoke and our cheques require two signatures as explained on the evening.

Hopefully this issue can now be put to bed and we can continue as Full and supportive members of BARLA.

Yours In Sport

Sam Armstrong
NW Counties 13-15's League Secretary

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