



THAMES VALLEY CRICKET LEAGUE



Established in 1972, The Morrants Thames Valley Cricket League is an important component of the ECB Premier League structure

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Covid 19 Health Emergency

Dear Member Club,

The current Covid 19 health emergency is resulting in unprecedented action being taken by HM Government. It is fair to say that no one has experienced anything like this before.

We have received a number of requests from member clubs for information regarding our plans for the coming season. This is understandable, but currently government advice is changing daily and we do not know what the situation will be in early May. We will follow HM Government's and ECB's advice regarding the provision of amateur sport, but the health and safety of players and officials in the TVCL will be our priority, as it will no doubt also be for our member clubs.

For clubs and individuals seeking guidance, the following is the management committee's current thinking:

- It is likely (but not certain) that infections will be peaking at around the time the season is due to start on May 9th. It is therefore reasonable to assume that the start of the season is likely to be delayed. Please do not ask how long the delay might be as we do not know.
- The committee will discuss all the options and publish proposals at the appropriate time.
- Clubs who are intending to contract overseas players will need to make their own decisions. At this point in time we cannot provide any advice.

Please understand that we do not have answers to all of your questions. We will communicate further once we have more information.

Best wishes,

Richard Thomas