

## CHESHIRE CRICKET BOARD LIMITED



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Mr Matt Stevens Langley Cricket Club Cock Hall Lane Langley Cheshire SK11 0DE

Dear Mr Stevens,

Thank you for your recent communication regarding Langley Cricket Club's intention to apply for a premises licence for the clubhouse at Cock Hall Lane.

In my capacity as Clubs and Participation Manager for Cheshire Cricket Board, it has been pleasing to witness the rapid progress the club has made in recent years, both on and off the field.

Led by a strong and progressive committee with a clear vision, Langley is a cricket club at the heart of the local community. Membership numbers have increased considerably since 2017, including the formation of a new Women's team and the introduction of 'All Stars Cricket' for 5-8 year old boys and girls. Despite the significant challenges posed by Covid-19 this summer, the club have even managed to launch a new Academy Team, taking part in a series of Sunday friendly matches organised through the Cheshire Cricket Board 'Get the Game On' initiative.

As an (ECB) Clubmark accredited club, Langley have been certified by the game's governing body as "safe, effective and child friendly". The club were first accredited in 2017 and have completed several Annual Health Checks, reaffirming their commitment to good governance and strong child welfare practices. The next formal assessment is due in 2021.

As part of the Clubmark process, clubs are required to adopt and champion the ECB's Safe Hands policy, appointing two qualified Club Welfare Officers who have undergone Safe Hands training and hold up to date enhanced DBS certificates. All other volunteers working in close contact with children have been appropriately vetted. The club also have robust Codes of Conduct in place for players, members and guests and have also adopted the ECB Inclusion and Diversity policy, underlining their commitment to providing sporting opportunities for all.

With more than 100 junior members and competitive playing opportunities for boys, girls, men and women, Langley are one of Cheshire Cricket's most progressive clubs. The Cricket Board are fully supportive of the club's development aims and we trust this letter will assist those seeking greater understanding of the club, its leadership team and vision for the future.

Kind regards,
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