

 18^{th} June 2020

Preparations for 2020 Season

The MCCL Executive met this evening to discuss the planning for the 2020 Season.

In line with the accelerating positive change in sentiment from both the Government and the ECB, we have formulated three scenarios for competitive cricket in Middlesex, these cover potential start dates of 18th July, 25th July and 1st August.

Whilst we cannot be certain of a start date or are we stating that we will be starting on a particular date, it is imperative that we have clear plans and proposals, we will be sending these out to clubs in the next couple of days.

At this point in time these plans cover only 1st and 2nd XI Cricket. We are 100% committed to maximising cricket opportunity for all of the players at whatever level they play, it is simply that right now because of ground availability, planning for anything outside 1st and 2nd XI cricket has too many unknowns for us to create anything "definitive", but rest assured we will get to the Third Tier as soon as we have enough information.

Therefore our message to clubs this evening is that they should now be planning to have their ground "ready to play" on the <u>11th July</u>, this should allow plenty of time for the relevant ground preparations to take place ahead of any potential start date.

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