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## MEETING NOTES

Board Meeting 2022-08

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2022 at 8:30pm (via Zoom)

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### Attendees

#### **Board Members Present**

P. Fleming (PF)

C. Stern (CS)

G. Bielby (GB)

A. Northgraves (AN)

M. Frampton (MF)

R. Anson (RA)

M. Bateman (MB)

P. Tarbitten -Secretary  
(PJT)

### 1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from P. Thornes.

### 2. Minutes of Previous Meeting (11/07/2022)

The previous Minutes were unanimously accepted as being a true reflection of proceedings.

### 3. Matters Arising from previous Minutes not on Today's Agenda.

The Secretary has set up an Open Action List on the Central Storage Area and will send a link to all Directors. This should be reviewed and necessary dates (e.g., Expected Completion Date) updated.

### 4. HCST Aims and Objectives.

The final draft from GB was discussed. This will now be reviewed by a sub-committee led by GB and will include several external subject matter experts. CS and PJT will join from the Trust. Feedback to be given to the Board by, at the latest, the next Board Meeting.

### 5. Hull City Ladies Status and Future

Requested information has now been received from the club – so the sponsorship fee can now be paid. Social Media will be updated to communicate this to members / the wider public.

Discussions continue with the Hull City Ladies Board regarding representation on the HCST Board. It is hoped that Rachel Gay (ex-Manager) will take the position. It was unanimously accepted that, should she accept,



Rachel be co-opted onto the board.

**Update:** Rachel has agreed by email to serve as a co-opted member of the Board. The Secretary will make contact to discuss next steps, Title, responsibilities etc.

#### **6. Club Contact – Plan and Approach.**

Continued behind the scenes discussions to arrange various meetings with the club.

RA has had contact with Mark (Tan's assistant) who will pass details onto Tan and Acun.

Geoff is still working on Joe Clutterbrook to get a meeting set up.

Working with Paul Woodford to get a meeting following the Humberside Police meeting.

Meeting on Tuesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> August with Phil Dayes (Commercial Manager) to discuss sponsorship.

#### **7. Why Join HCST (Membership Recruitment)? Sub-Committee**

Initial meeting yet to take place. RA to try again this week.

Suggested Date – Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> August at 08:00 p.m.

#### **8. Sponsorship Sub Committee**

RA to re-distribute findings, and offer, to the board.

#### **9. Working with Her Game Too**

GB to follow up and report back at the next Board Meeting.

#### **10. Process for Ad-Hoc Zoom Calls**

It was decided that this was no longer necessary as WhatsApp and SLACK can be used.

[Note from Secretary: This may need to be reviewed as multiuser video calls on WhatsApp and SLACK appear to be problematic.]

#### **11. Annual Schedule for Board Meetings**

The initial proposal was discussed and accepted. All future deviations should be discussed, in advance, with the Secretary ASAP.

#### **12. Director Skills Audit**

Based on previous discussions around this topic, it was proposed that a Skills Audit be carried to establish what skills are available within the Board and where these can best be put to use. PJT to distribute a draft Skills Matrix.

#### **13. Board Updates.**

Chairperson – No additional updates

Treasurer – PF provided oversight on the PayPal Balance and the Unity Trust Balance. Increased Membership and Sponsorship would greatly enhance these and should be looked at more closely.



Secretary – Most forms and templates have been updated to reflect the new Registered Office Address. The changes needed for the Rules need to be verified by an Extraordinary General Meeting. As the Trust has between 200 and 1,000 Members, this EGM must be attended by at least one third of members entitled to vote. PJT will work on how best to organise such an EGM.

There are a couple of calls being organised to obtain critical, constructive criticism of the Trust. This will be documented and fed back to the Board.

#### **14. Any Other Business.**

- a) Request through the FSA to provide, where necessary, evidence for the DCMS initiative (details set by email)
- b) The HCST Website is out of date and needs a refresh. There are various possibilities to get this done using a professional web designer. However, before this can take place we need to a) decide how we want to drive the website and b) clear up the out-dated content. PJT is processing a lot of updates but could do with some support in reviewing and providing amendments to content. Volunteers are requested to help this initiative.

**Next Meeting** – Monday, 26th September 2022 via Zoom

**Meeting Ended** – 09:34 p.m.



## **HULL CITY SUPPORTERS TRUST AIMS & OBJECTIVES 2021/22**

### **Short-term objectives**

(1). Encourage Hull City to maintain a meaningful dialogue with Hull City Supporters in accordance with the Department of Digital Culture Media and Sport (DCMS) Guidelines and as directed by the EFL (Currently Regulation R118). Maintain a relationship with the club to consult on matters which are important to supporters and enable potential issues to be avoided with successful outcomes. The Aim is for Hull City to become a harmonious club again.

(2). Through effective dialogue with FSA, EFL and the Club encourage the reintroduction of Disabled Concessions. Although a minority of other clubs have similar policies ensure Disabled fans are treated fairly in accordance with common practice.

### **Medium-term objectives**

(3) Strengthen FA heritage rules Engage with the FA to implement rules protecting the heritage of clubs to prevent future unwanted name change attempts or similar.

(4) Support National supporter initiatives This includes pressing for legislation to reform football and including supporter representation on club boards as well as the campaign for safe standing and the 'Twenty's Plenty' ticket price initiative.

(5) Anlaby Road Tribute Project. Develop a lasting tribute to the original Anlaby Road ground and potentially some of the players who played there.

### **Long-term objectives**

(6) Giving supporters a voice on the Club Board. In football things can change fast and we need to be ready. This isn't about grabbing power for the sake of it, this is about ensuring that fans become positively involved with the Club and exert influence at the highest level.

(7) Bringing benefits to community assets. Hull City is more than a football club, it is part of the community. It is part of the city's soul, and in the Stadium, it is part of the city's infrastructure. We want to explore how we can ensure supporters get a say in how these community assets are managed and developed in the future.