



MEETING NOTES

Board Meeting 2022-11

Monday 28th November 2022 at 8:30pm (via Zoom)

Attendees

Board Members Present

P. Fleming (PF)
C. Stern (CS)
G. Bielby (GB)

P. Thornes (PT)
M. Bateman (MB)
R. Gay (RG)

P. Tarbitten -Secretary
(PJT)

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from M. Frampton and A. Northgraves.

2. Minutes of Previous Meeting (31/10/2022)

The minutes were unanimously approved without amendment.

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

There were no matters arising from the previous minutes.

4. HCST Aims and Objectives.

GB reported that the feedback would be distributed to the Board within 48 hours.

5. Club Contact – Update.

- The Supporter Committee meeting has been postponed until the week commencing 12th December. No further information has been received.
- No response has been received from the email to Ann Holland regarding the MKM Stadium 20th



- Anniversary, although several social media posts have been made by the club regarding this.
- There were good constructive communications with the club regarding the recent issue around Anti Social Behaviour and Racial Abuse. The Trust will strive to continue working with the club on such matters.

6. Sponsorship sub-committee.

No update provided by RA.

7. Working with Her Game Too

GB has been proposed as the new Hull City Ambassador. Further details will follow initial contact with the club. This plays well into the Trust's drive for equality and inclusivity in all areas of the game.

8. Website Update

Discussions have been held with Nic Johnson regarding a refresh of the HCST website. This will be the first refresh for many years and a general clean-up will be needed prior to work taking place. GB and PJT will liaise with Nic to ascertain what can and can't be done and what the estimated cost of refresh will be. The results will be fed back to the board, hopefully at the next meeting.

9. Disabled Supporters / Level Playing Fields (LPF)

The LPF Survey has now been published and shows that the confidence of disabled supporters in attending live sporting events (especially football) has decreased markedly. The results are being analysed and a strategy is being built to engage with the club to look at improving the matchday experience of our disabled colleagues and increasing the number of disabled supporters attending games.

10. Newsletter

Draft template has been sent but needs feedback on format as well as content. Would be good to get one out prior to the Steve Massey session.

11. Book Launch for Steve Massey

Book launch will take place at Pearsons between 12:00 and 13:00. Misunderstandings have caused a conflict in timings, so the launch has been reduced to one hour. Following the launch, Steve will attend another launch, hosted by the OCS, at the Tigers Trust arena (13:00 - 14:00).

12. Working with the Club: Anti Social Behaviour and Education of Fans

- No progress so far, but work will continue
- Education programme on the danger of pyrotechnics received by PJT from Sunderland BLC to be reviewed and potentially discussed with the club.
- More to follow.



13. AGM 2022

- This is just a heads-up to prepare for decision making at the December meeting
- Targeting 1st or 2nd week of March 2023
- Location - possibly Gemmells, with face-to-face attendance as well as online access (if technically possible)
- Proxy and mail-in voting should be considered due to the global spread of members
- Preparation must start 1st January 2023
- PJT to drive content of annual report, PF to support on financials, all directors to support content production
- Nomination of Election Management Committee to take place late December / early January
- Finances will, as usual, not be audited (in line with guidelines)
- All directors to prepare for decision making in next meeting

Standing Items

Chairperson – No additional updates

Treasurer – No additional updates

Secretary – No additional updates

Hull City Ladies - Unfortunately the Ladies lost 1-2 after extra time in the cup. But a fabulous achievement. In the following round, the Newcastle ladies played in front of a 28'500 crowd!!! An incredible attendance at St. James' Park - more than a sell out at the MKM.

Any Other Business.

- a) GB noted that, unfortunately, Luke Flannigan was unable to attend the council filming session, so another candidate is being sought.

Next Meeting – Monday, 19th December, 2022, commencing at 08:30 p.m., via Zoom

Meeting Ended – 09:30 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.