



STOCKPORT COUNTY SUPPORTERS' CO-OPERATIVE

MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING HELD OVER GOOGLE MEET

**WEDNESDAY 5.3.25
19:00**

ATTENDANCE

Present: Dave Marchbank, John Giles, Cath Shanley, Dave Wetters, John Bilsbury

Apologies: Terry Arnold, Paul Thompson

Dave opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

- **Minutes of the previous meeting held on 4.2.25 agreed as a true record**

Actions b/fwd from previous meetings

New Website - Hannah is happy to support , next step for Paul and Hannah to speak to decide the way forward.

Danny Bergara miniature statues -c/fwd waiting on website launch to promote

Business/Contingency plan - discussed during matters arising.

Con Club Coaches Sponsorship - Dave hasn't been able to contact Steve Cree since the last meeting, has left a message but no response. John suggested looking for alternative sponsorship and will look to source. Board were in agreement

Meeting with COO - 2 outstanding items not discussed.

Ladies toilets in the POP side and proximity of the away fans POP side . placing away fans in the Railway end will help with both of these issues - temporary roof will mean all away fans can be housed here once in place.

POP Side access - The additional people going through the POP side is causing a bottleneck in admitting people. Cath to raise with Gavin for reassurance on what the process will be moving forward.

Ground expansion - Cath to ask Gavin whether a meeting date has been arranged for the club to discuss planning permission.



Grassy Knoll - Cath to ask Gavin for permission to use the friendly bench area to put the gazebo up pre match for co-op presence at the ground.

Away ticket collection - Away ticket collection - Cath to give Gavin feedback on the success so far of being able to collect tickets up until kick off on match days.”?

MATTERS ARISING

a) Board Matters and Recruitment

nothing to note other than continuing to have a presence on the podcasts for volunteers

b) Membership System Review (DW)

Dave raised duplicated membership lists which have contradictory information. Dave W will arrange to meet with Ian and Paul for definitive information. A full audit is required to bring the information in line and options for SO and DD and Paypal and card payments will be the only options to pay membership in the future.

c) Member Communication (DW)

linked to the membership system, email issues with bulk comms going into spam folders . John speaking to Platform 81. to 600 lapsed members to ask about rejoining

d) Away fan stewarding (DW&JB)

Some Blackpool fans were unhappy with over zealous stewarding at Edgeley Park. Dave will find out when the next meeting of fans is for Dave W to attend as a representative of the POP side

e) Family Stand Admittance Time (DW&JB)

covered during meeting with COO item earlier in the meeting

f) Away Ticket Collection (JB)

Now available until kick off on match days, no dedicated window but no issues with collection from other windows

g) Business Plan (potential follow up questions for Ashley Brown) (DM)

Dave M will speak with John on points raised over email and also speak with Graham Privett. Dave will keep Ashley in the loop with any developments.

h) Events - link up with TSBW & SK3TV (DM)

Russ from TSBW has contacted Dave regarding live events at EP and linking up. Dave will also contact Nick from SK3TV to discuss a similar relationship.

i) Co-op pass to EP (DM)

Dave M has the pass which Ian gave back when he left the board, which confirms co-op board status to stewards for ground access. Just to make the board aware that Dave has it should anyone need it.



ROUTINE BUSINESS

a) Membership -

DW reported on an average 8 to 10 new members each week in recent weeks.

DW will send a list of current membership numbers following the meeting.

b) SCSC Finance Update

Paul did not attend the meeting for a finance update, Cath will ask Paul for an email update

c) Comms and Media Report

John has reviewed Nicolas de Jong's book and written articles via the Express, the programme his own blog and John has issued to co-op membership.

• FUNDRAISING AND EVENTS

End of season party - keeping on the agenda for discussion at future meetings.

• ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Armoury roundabout closure, impact for supporters getting to the ground , Cath to ask Gavin what the clubs communication will be and whether there will be pedestrian access to the ground from the roundabout and are there dates when no trains are running and are these known yet.

Next meeting date moved out by a week to the 9th April 2025, Cath to send out revised calendar invite.

• DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Wednesday [9th](#) April 2025

19:00

Location: Zoom