

Minutes of Meeting Saturday 19th August 2017

Action

Venue	PITC	Anson Road	Meeting Opened	11am
			Meeting Closed	12.45am
Present	PFC	Chief Executive Inclusion Officer Supporters Liaison	Mark Catlin Colin Farmery Johnny Moore	(MC) (CF) (JM)
	TGFC	(Chairman) (Secretary) PST & Heritage Board Rep Central Branch Chichester London Northern Blues PISA Chimes Fans Fans	Mike Fulcher Steve Tovey Simon Colebrook Roy Gregory Del Pulley Lesley Hadley Tony Needham Barry Thompson Barry Dewing Tracey Devenish Ian Marshall John Brindley Dennis Johns	(MF) (ST) (SC) (RG) (DP) (LH) (TN) (BT) (BD) (TD) (IM) (JB) (DJ)
Apologies	PFC	Hospitality Manager PST DSA London SWSC	Tom Jeffes Ashley Brown John Kimbell Pam Wilkins Sam Piggott Gemma Raggett Steve Cornell-Davies	

1 Chairmans Opening Comments

MF welcomed everyone old and new to the Conference and invited MC to give an overview of the club before dealing with specific questions

2 Anna Mitchell

MC advised that Anna (Commercial Manager) had given birth to a baby boy . MC pointed out that she had worked right up to the day.

3 Overview /Ground Works/Fratton Park

MC advised hectic period with the takeover being completed
Significant work had been completed on ground over summer and with money in the bank to cover further work . Council happy to grant licence to maintain capacity
Contrary to social media funds made available by Tornante to cover additional works.
If case made for works then Tornante happy to approve.
In regard to the ground Tornante sending over non-family member executive on short term secondment with remit to look at ground options in both short and long term
MC confirmed he would be liaising with club's existing consultant
MC advised all old analogue TV's had been replaced on concourses and in the lounges and confirmed Alliance Lounge TV's were installed and working this week.

JM to arrange him to attend Oct TGFC

4 Ticketing

MC advised Ticketmaster was now the clubs ticketing partner and are the leading ticketing partner in the UK . There had been significant problems with previous platform provider Audience View who had not provided matchday support.
Initial problems resulting in paper tickets for first two games had resulted from an error that occurred in initial print run of season ticket cards . This had been sorted and remaining cards would be issued this week.
JB and BT both reported problems with paper ticket access . MC asked JM to look at this and report back.
MC advised new Ticket Office manager is Matt Jones.

JM to Follow Up

5 Training Pitches

MC said it was a very proud moment to see the additional training pitches opened this week which DJ , MF, RG, SC, ST had all attended.
Even with these additional pitches not all of age groups could be accomodated and partnership with the University and use of Furze lane pitches would continue.
ST noted Mikey Harris had mentioned striving for Academy Two status . MC advised significant work and improvement required to achieve ie Indoor Training Facility.
Tornante like Kenny Jackett are keen to see development of homegrown talent , so development of Academy is key to future plans.
MC confirmed nothing had changed regarding opportunities to visit the training ground and to book visits through Johnny Moore or Ashleigh Emberson.

6 Car Parking

MC advised that decision to increase car parking charges to £10 had been taken by the old board . Decision taken to raise funds towards 750k required to tarmac car park.
MC accepted that decision had not been communicated to fans prior to Rochdale game; even though statement approved it did not get issued through oversight.
In regard to disabled fans ; decision taken to keep cost at £5 for them , but this had to be

cleared via level playing field due to pricing equality law ; now resolved and in place for today's game.

ST enquired as to what was happening in short term re additional tarmac required for rear opening disabled vehicles. CF advised management of car park would allow them to be parked on hardstanding of car park which ST noted.

7 **CheckaTrade Trophy**

MC confirmed his personal view that he was against U23, B teams competing in league and cup competitions as he had seen not working in Spain.

However changes had been made to competition , which made it financially attractive to some of the lesser teams , hence vote for it to continue.

The invited teams take no monies from competition . This season there is a participation fee of £20,000 and you even receive 5k for a draw . Gate receipts are pooled and shared so could be looking at 75k per team ; significant to teams like Accrington.

8 **Heritage Board**

MC explained that the Presidents Advisory board would provide three presidents to sit on Heritage board as would the PST . He viewed the heritage board as an operations board .

MC explained that as ST knew there was no intention to change anything and there was an opportunity for TGFC to become stronger and set up a conduit for fans to continue to have say working closely with SC to present their views (see SC comments below,) First Heritage board meeting to be held in October.

9 **Merchandise /Shop /Kit**

MC confirmed we were in last year of current Sondico and that we would shortly be entering a tendering process for the next contract which would include the running of the shop.

If PFC did change to one of the top kit providers then there is likely to be a significant increase in the price of kits next season.

10 **Lucketts / New Team Coach**

MC confirmed that club now had contract with Lucketts to provide team coach . The company had purchased two identical coaches so there should be no problems .

11 **Pre -Season 2018/19**

ST enquired as to whether a pre season visit was being planned to USA . MC advised new owners were considering looking east to the Asian market .

Simon Colebrook

Heritage Board /Working with New Owners/ TGFC

12 SC said that PST board had voted himself , John Kimbell and Ashley Brown to represent PST on heritage board just in case there was an early meeting called and with John and Ashley there was some form of continuity with the old board.

SC explained once current PST elections taken place and new PST board in place there would be a vote of the board to see who the three PST reps on the board would be ; and this would be an annual process.

SC advised that he had meetings with Andy Redman and it was clear Tornante welcomed the opportunity for fan input ; but there was no point being negative and they were looking for positive feedback and input.

ST said going forwards he envisaged TGFC working with SC ; identifying topics on heritage board meeting and feeding input through SC to the board .

The various supporters groups would then see their views being considered and answers obtained.

Colin Famery

Disabled /Ambient Issues

13 CF provided an update for TGFC ; Explaining that new disabled toilet built ; lower counter in operation for refreshments from new betting room building at Fratton end.

In regard to the 2014 audit all small ticket work had now been carried out and it was now only large ticket items such as covered seating which depended on ground improvement plan that remained.

ST commented that even a new ground such as Cardiff the way disabled section was open to the elements and not covered so he had watched game from corner tunnel.

14 **Away Travel**

Lucketts had installed a lift in one of their coaches removing six seats in the process to accommodate wheelchair bound fans on away travel . So far this had been taken up for Oxford and is booked for forthcoming fixtures

15 **Pompey Chimes Show at Kings Theatre**

CF mentioned the above show featuring numerous ex pompey players , which was to raise funds for PITC and Oakley Waterman.

IM said he was doing the footage and said script was very funny and encouraged people to attend.

It is on Monday 16 October the night before Doncaster Away. Ticket prices up to £25

17 **Alan Ball Dinner**

Alan Ball's daughter is promoting a number of dinners nationwide in memory of her father's world cup win There is a dinner at Fratton at a cost of £95 per head which is also in October

18 **Proposed "Fanzone " use of Beneficial Trust Building"**

CF advised that following acquisition of additional land in Anson Road and this building ; he had met with MC and Clare Martin to consider utilising the building as both a storage facility for the History Society as well as establishing a fanzone for fans to meet and have a cup of tea etc.

CF said project had been handed over to PITC for Clare to take forwards .
Unfortunately CF was aware there was a considerable amount of work to be done to get it up
and running together with the expense that would bring.
ST suggested to SC that it might be something PST could become involved as a flagship
building to develop as offices etc and to include the History group.
SC agreed and said he would speak to both CF and Clare.

Other Matters

19 Hospitality /Kiosks

ST advised that he and IM had met with Tom Jeffes on the Thursday before Rochdale game.
Keypoints Discussed

- 1 New TV's in all lounges
- 2 Post match player and ex player appearances in Alliance this season.
- 3 Player appearances prematch restricted to two.
- 4 New Security arrangements
- 5 Carling back at Fratton park
- 6 Pompey Pals availability continuing.
- 7 Increase in prices 80/90p per pint.
- 8 Warrior lounge to be used as a new corporate lounge for 8 games this season
offering 3 course meal ie step up from Alliance.

As a result of item 8 this will effect number of spaces in Victory Lounge prematch . Capacity
continues to be an experimental balancing act in view of fire regulations and will be ongoing
exercise.

ST said the importance of establishing a new fanzone could be seen

20 Safety Advisory Group Meeting

ST advised he had attended the last SAG as Pam Wilikins was away

The Key points were as follows:-

PFC Safety Officers attending Counter Terrorism awareness training

Substantial increase in applications for stewarding positions.

ST advised we needed to get message across need for cooperation with searches of bags/persons
in these times.

21 New TGFC

ST thanked JM for the work he had put in to making all the various supporters clubs/groups both in the UK
and worldwide aware of TGFC and encouraging them to join in the conference with input both before and after
meetings.

ST confirmed that agendas had been sent worldwide and hope feedback and input would increase.

ST confirmed he had set up a wordpress site which contained photo of Tony Goodall and supporter group logos
and on which minutes of meetings would be posted and a bi -monthly blog with MF posted.