

NOTTS COUNTY SUPPORTERS TRUST



BOARD MEETING OPEN MINUTES

Meeting No.	70
Date	Tuesday, 4 th September 2007
Time	8.00 p.m.
Venue	Nigel King's House
Version	1

Present

Keri Usherwood (Chair), Nigel King (Acting Secretary & Vice-Chair), Eric Kerry (Supporter Director), John Armstrong-Holmes, David Hindley, Glenn Rolley, Trevor Woolley, Peter Dennis (Treasurer), Gareth Marklew, Stuart Rolley, Cheryl Thompson.

1. Apologies For Absence

John Collin

2. Meeting Consent

NK reported that as this meeting was called at less than 7 days notice under the Society rules the consent of all Board members is required. NK noted that all Board members except John Collin were present. NK further reported that he had received a telephone call from John Collin earlier in the day and was therefore able to declare that this was a properly constituted Board Meeting.

3. Meeting Agenda

Agreed.

4. Declarations of Interest

EK as a Director of Blenheim 1862 Ltd.

4. A Statement by Keri Usherwood

KU informed the meeting that he would like to step down as Chair with immediate effect. He reminded the meeting that he had originally informed the board that he would step down at the end of the 2006-2007 season, but had carried on following the untimely death of Haydn Green. He also confirmed that he would remain a member of the Trust Board.

(At this point as Vice-Chair took over the meeting Chair, David Hindley took over the minute taking).

NK thanked KU for his work on behalf of the Trust and paid tribute to him.

6. Election Officers

NK declared that there was now a vacancy for position of Trust Chair, and noted that any new Chair would be an interim Chair until the new board was constituted following the elections and AGM in October.

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NK told the meeting that he was not seeking the nomination, that it was not the best position for him to benefit the Trust. There were also some short term work commitments.

SR said that he has considered putting his name forward but unavoidable work and personal commitments he was limited in the time he could give in September.

DH said that he was prepared to be the interim Chair until the AGM only.

JAH proposed that David Hindley be the Trust Chair, this was seconded by CT. This was passed unanimously with no abstentions.

(At this point DH took over as Chair and Nigel King resumed the minute taking)

KU said that it was important that DH received assistance from all officers.

7. Statement to Members

NK passed round copies of a draft version of a possible statement to members in response to the recent false media allegations that the Trust had blocked a takeover bid for the Club.

A number of amendments to NKs statement were agreed. It was also agreed to hold the release of the document for a while.

SR read out a copy of a formal complaint to the BBC he had drafted following the allegations made on the Drivetime and Matchtalk programmes aired on Monday 3rd September on BBC Radio Nottingham. The complaint also informs the BBC that the Trust may still take legal action over the matter.

This document was agreed by the meeting and it was further agreed to send the complaint to the BBC complaints dept and the head of the BBC in Nottingham without delay.

KU suggested that the complaint also refer to the BBC's allegation that the Trust previously blocked a takeover bid by another individual.

8. Future of the Club Board

In view of the current uncertainties:

It was unanimously agreed that John Armstrong-Holmes become a director of Blenheim 1862 Ltd.

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It was unanimously agreed that Peter Dennis also be appointed as a Director of Blenheim 1862 Ltd.

(subject to agreement by the other shareholders).

NK noted that it would be preferable if the appointment of any new Trust directors could be approved by members at some stage. It was agreed that board members would consider this matter and that options would be looked at at a future meeting.

9. Any other Business

None

10. Date of Next Meetings

- a. Sunday 9th September 2007, at 6.30pm at NK's House.
 - b. - Tuesday 25th September 2007 at 8.00 p.m., venue TBA
2. Next EM Trusts Meeting - at the Marlene Reid Centre in Coalville on Monday, 10th September.

The meeting ended at 11.30 p.m.