

NOTTS COUNTY SUPPORTERS TRUST



BOARD MEETING OPEN MINUTES

Meeting No.	86
Date	Tuesday, 11 November 2008
Time	8.00 p.m.
Venue	Meadow Lane
Version	1

Present

Glenn Rolley (Chair), Nigel King (Vice Chair), John Collin (Secretary), Peter Dennis (Treasurer and Supporter Director), John Armstrong-Holmes (Supporter Director), Margaret Cobb, Paul Gibbs, Mike Scott, Cheryl Thompson, Stephen Thompson, Trevor Woolley.

1. Apologies For Absence

Stuart Rolley, Keri Usherwood, Paul Whitby, and Eric Kerry (who had indicated he would be late).

2. Meeting Agenda

Agreed.

3. Declarations of Interest

JAH, EK and PD as Directors of Blenheim 1862 Ltd.

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of Meetings 84 and 85 were accepted as a true record.

5. Trust Office, Information System

GR said that he would like to come back to this item later in the meeting with a presentation.

6. Trust AGM and Board Elections

JC reported that there were no motions from the AGM, that the appropriate reports had been approved and that two new Board Members had been elected and seven others re-elected.

7. 2012, 150th Anniversary of Notts County FC

JAH said that he had had a meeting with the member who had produced a document and others to discuss the matter. The most pressing thing identified was to put in a request to the Royal Mail for a first day cover for the anniversary.

A document produced by the member and his group was being examined by the Club and possible involvement of Juventus would be explored.

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The actual anniversary will be in November 2012, after the Olympics. The series of events etc. would be designed to raise money.

8. Officers' Reports

a. Chair -- Glenn Rolley

GR said that he was settling in to the position.

He reported that he had an interview with David Jackson.

He had also been approached by James Pallatt of the Evening Post.

b. Treasurer – Peter Dennis

PD circulated his report.

Available funds are £4034.67.

c. Secretary – John Collin

Supporters Direct Board elections were in progress.

Following a ballot, it was agreed to vote for Simon Cope, (10 votes), Rob Bradley (7 votes), Tony Taylor (9 votes).

9. Supporter Directors' Report – JAH/EK/PD

EK said that he had posted up a lot of things in the past few days.

The following were highlighted by EK, JAH, PD and members of the Trust Board:

(Refers to legal action taken by the Club).

(Refers to a tenant).

(Refers to a former employee).

MC asked about the Rugby Club. *(Refers to Nottingham RFC).*

JAH reported that the Cup game would be played on Sunday, 30th November at 1 p.m.

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JAH reported the Club to be in a good financial position and that cash flow is good.

Supporters Club: a meeting planned for 12th November with PD, Roy Parker and the Supporters Club. There was some discussion about the Supporters Club.

5. Trust Office, Information System

GR addressed the meeting and reiterated the need for confidentiality in many matters affecting the Club.

GR showed the Board a demonstration of a possible system, sponsored by John Lewis, for showing events, locations etc., to be placed in the Reception area.

NK gave a demonstration of the possibilities of using Google for the Trust's on-line activities.

NK, MC, TW, CT expressed interest in forming a group to look at it in more detail.

It was moved and duly seconded that the meeting be empowered to go on after 10.30 p.m. This was agreed.

10. Sub-Group Reports

a. PR

MC

MC reported that she had done programme notes and would like to have ideas for things to put in. She asked for "off the peg" articles that could be slotted in any time. The next priority was a newsletter to members. **Action All.**

b. Community

PG

PG reported that he and MS had met David Hindley to pick things up. Also, a meeting with Steve Hill planned for 25th November.

DH had given the details about First Steps, Riverside Primary School, Black Achievement, Meadows History etc.

PG said he would present the Draft Strategy at a future meeting. (next meeting).

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PG reported a problem with the delivery of the book. It had not arrived. Contingency plans were discussed in the event that there was a big problem.

c. Membership, Recruitment, Retention **TW**

TW gave his report.

1107 members, (including 143 juniors and 964 shareholders).

JC commented that the number of shareholders in May, before last year's subscriptions ran out, was 974.

There was discussion about recruitment, "freebies" and any tax implications of freebies. **Action JC.**

d. Fundraising **ST**

ST agreed to take on the portfolio.

GR reported that the Beer Festival was coming together.

MC agreed to coordinate sponsorships again.

e. Strategy **PW**

MS gave a report.

11 Any Other Business

None.

12. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 9th December 2008.

The meeting ended at 11.15 p.m.