

reconsider and emphasising the positive aspects of holding an early Forum (**Action SNW**)

Coach to Torquay 08 August 2015 – SM has been approached to ask if SST will organise a coach to this match. There was considerable discussion including potential cost, likely take up, coach captain duties and booking arrangements. SM emphasised that if this was to be done it would be a “one off” (although a coach for the Altrincham away game may also be considered). GW offered to provide partial funding. SM agreed to construct a message to be sent out to members (**Action SM**).

15/07/004 Finance Update

MC and JA provided an update. Total funds currently available = £6,283. In subsequent discussions about project proposals it was agreed that it would be prudent to ear-mark up to 50% of this for spending on potential projects in order to ensure that reserves are available for recurring costs and future projects.

15/07/005 Project Proposals

These were discussed individually and overall and the decision was to prioritise as follows:

1. 201507P02 – Funding of MTFC Merchandise: this proposal was approved contingent upon agreeing arrangements with the Club about benefits for SST members (BR to attend SNW/DW with Robert Stirling on 15 July to address this issue). Maximum funds approved = £1,000. (**Action SNW to advise Club**)
2. 201507P04 – London Road Kiosk: more accurate costing required but regarded as a high priority because it will provide a facility that does not currently exist as well as relieving pressure on the Corner Flag. It was suggested that the kiosk should be renamed to reflect SST funding. SM said that JR had agreed to undertake a survey of the current building (**Action JR/SNW**).
3. 201507P05 – Corner Flag Refurbishment: SM confirmed that JR will also survey the Corner Flag so that we can understand likely costs and it was agreed to reconsider this item when more detailed information is available including how much funding is left after priorities 1 and 2 above. (**Action JR/SNW**).
4. 201507P03 – Purchase of Gazebo: there was discussion about how this item fits with the new SST objectives and problems with staffing at events. It was decided to put it on hold for the foreseeable future (**Action SNW to advise Club**).
5. 201507P01 – Sponsor the Pitch: there was discussion about costs and benefits including £1,000 cost (per season) for an additional programme page. Noted that the Pledge raised over £2,000 in 2014/15 without additional costs and that a similar scheme at AFC Halifax had only sold around 50% of “shares”. It was decided to reconsider this proposal if the Pledge is not proving successful in 2015/16.

15/07/006 SST Membership Update

BR confirmed that almost everything is in place to begin the new membership drive at the start of the new season with the exception of the final wording on the A5 flyer. He has obtained a highly competitive price from a local supplier.

15/07/007 Website Hosting Contract

SNW confirmed that the contract with 1&1 had expired some time ago and that the supplier continued to charge a high monthly price as nothing had been done to update the contract. He has moved to a hosting only contract with 1&1 that will reduce costs from £27pm to £8pm however, while this will provide a more flexible and useful website, it will also require a complete site rebuild (using Wordpress), and therefore both contracts will run concurrently until the new site is ready. He will start developing the new site as soon as possible and will require assistance from Board members to provide content, review structure etc. (**Action SNW**)

15/07/008 Annual Report

DW confirmed that this is almost complete.

15/07/009 Date for AGM

It was agreed that the next SST Board meeting date should be changed from 10 August to 17 August 2015 and that this should be an open meeting with the AGM taking place at the beginning. It will be held in the McIlroy Suite at the Moss Rose.

The next meeting will take place at 19:45 on Monday 17 August 2015. Agenda items should be submitted to the Secretary on or before Friday 07 August 2015.