

**Minutes of the meeting of the board of the Silkmen Supporters' Trust
held at the Golden Lion, Moss Lane, Macclesfield
at 7.30 pm on Monday 23 January 2012.**

Present: Adam Waller (Chairman), John Rayner, Rob Wilson, David Woolliscroft (Secretary). Apologies were reported from Myra Clark and Jon Smart

1. The minutes of the meeting held on 5 December 2011 had been confirmed by correspondence.
2. Matters arising not otherwise covered in the agenda
 - Meeting with club. The Chair had approached the Club Chairman unsuccessfully but would continue to press for a meeting. **Chair**
 - Share purchase/transfer – awaiting response from Club **DW**
 - POYA 2012. Response awaited from Club although it was noted that kit sponsors were still being offered attendance. **Chair**
 - Coach update including coach signs. The signs had been purchased and were in use. The arrangements for Bolton had worked well and the Trust had made a useful profit. It was hoped to provide a coach to Northampton. In apologising, JS had asked whether the Trust had sufficient funds to allow it to agree to run coaches to all remaining away games. The existing policy of a case by case review with a clear objective of break even by the year end (and season end) was confirmed.
3. Chairman's points **Chair**
 - Football festival. It was clear that organising a festival for 2012 was not possible because of limited ground availability and changes at Macc Juniors. The Secretary agreed to contact Congleton Trust to see whether they wished to host some or all of the competition; SST board would be willing to advise/assist/meet with Congleton.
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4. Treasurer's Report **MC (Treasurer)**
 - To note financial statement - noted
 - Preparation for audit. It was hoped that John Abbott could again be persuaded to undertake the independent review.
 - Christmas Draw outcome. MC was congratulated on the well run and profitable draw.
 - Bank signatories. The following resolutions, which formalise the decisions taken previously, were agreed.

It was resolved that:

- The Co-operative Bank plc, ('the Bank') shall continue as our bankers in accordance with our original application
- The bank shall be authorised to accept instructions (including written instructions sent by facsimile and electronic instructions through the use of digital signatures and/or identification numbers or passwords) from us in connection with the account(s) and the service provided that the instructions are given and/or signed in accordance with the signing authority listed in the account signatories provided to the bank. Instructions shall mean: cheques, bills of exchange, promissory notes or other orders for payment, made or accepted on our behalf (even if the payments cause the account(s) to be overdrawn) and requests or instructions in writing concerning the account(s), our affairs or property

(including the opening of new account(s), the arranging of facilities and creation of security)

- The bank shall be authorised to honour all cheques and all other documents made or accepted on our behalf even if such payment causes any account to be overdrawn or increase any existing overdraft, provided that such documents are signed in accordance with the specimen signatures as shown in the account signatories provided to the bank
- The bank shall act on all specimen signatures in accordance with any instruction, notice, request or other document in writing concerning our account (including the opening of new accounts), affairs or property as shown in the account signatories provided to the bank
- The bank shall be sent a copy of any future resolutions which affect the terms of these resolutions
- The bank shall be sent a copy of any changes in our Constitution/ Rules/Memorandum and articles of Association and Regulations
- The bank shall be informed in writing of any change of Directors or Trustees
- The bank shall be notified in writing of any change of official authorised to sign on our behalf
- The banks shall otherwise continue to operate our account(s) in accordance with the business account mandate
- The banks shall be notified in writing of any overall change of control of the business
- All signatories to the account are aged 16 or over

Furthermore, we authorise and request that until you receive written notice from any two of us to the contrary to treat and consider Additional Named Individuals listed in Section 4c (of the mandate provided to the bank) as fully empowered by us on our behalf:

- To draw, sign and endorse cheques and other orders for payment on our account(s) with you
- To draw, sign, accept and endorse bills of exchange and promissory notes on our account(s) with you
- To receive cheques, statements and other vouchers relating to our account(s) with you
- To withdraw all or any of our securities, documents, or other property or anything else held by you by way of security or for safe custody or any other purpose whatsoever on our account(s)
- To arrange terms with you for the negotiation or discount of any documents
- To negotiate with you for and take any advances whether by way of loan, overdraft discount or otherwise with or without security
- to charge, pledge and deposit with you any of our property upon such terms as you may require to secure the payment or discharge to you on demand of all monies and liabilities which shall for the time being (and whether on or at time after such demand) be due owing or incurred to you by us whether actually or contingently and whether solely or jointly with any other person and whether as principal or surety including interest discount commission and other banking charges
- Generally to act on our behalf in all transactions and matters of business with you and to comply fully with and account terms and conditions and security requirements you may operate in connection with our account(s) with you now or in the future

- To act on the above instructions and in particular to pay and honour all such cheques, orders, bills, notes or requests as abovementioned notwithstanding that any such payment may cause our account(s) to be overdrawn or may increase any existing overdraft

The following signatories are thus authorised formally:

Mrs M Clark, Mr R Wilson, Mr J Rayner and Mr D Woolliscroft and as a consequence, Mr W Milligan and Mr D Ellis are deleted from the list of authorised signature notified to the bank

5. Secretary's Report

- Ballot for SD Council. Members to review the list of nominations and advise the Secretary.
- SST elections. MC needed to seek nomination. The Secretary agreed to promote the SST elections on the message board.
- Trust insurance – carried over.
- Marie Curie collection at ground – 10 March (vs. Crawley). It was agreed to provide assistance with the collection (the Club have since confirmed that agreement has been given to Marie Curie for the collection.)

6. Web site

JR/RW

- Subscription payments. JR and RW continued to develop the site and member subs. RW updated members on various other proposals that he was exploring.

7. Disability Liaison Officer – carried over.

AM

8. Media/communications/Canalside

- Programme notes. GW was thanked for his efforts in preparing programme notes and it was hoped that he would continue.
- Members' brief (issue 2) – ideas requested.
- Communicating with members. Whilst the website was being developed, the Secretary drew attention to the lack of direct email circulations to members. This had been a feature of communications in the past and helped to keep Trust matters to the fore at least with members.

9. Membership – covered under item 6.

JR

10. AOB/date of next meeting

- Next meeting – **5 March 2012**