

**SILKMEN SUPPORTERS TRUST
MINUTES OF MEETING
HELD ON 14TH OCTOBER 2019**

PRESENT: *ANDY WORTH (CHAIR)*
 ANDY MELLOR
 BERNIE RICKMAN
 JOHN ABBOTT
 MYRA CLARKE
 JON SMART
 CHRISSIE THOMPSON

1. APOLOGIES

None received

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

These were agreed as a correct record

3. MATTERS ARISING

None

4. DISABILITY ISSUES

The interview with Andy Mellor around Disability Issues has not yet been undertaken. In view of the current issues surrounding the club, this may be revisited at a more opportune time.

A suggestion has been received from a member that a regular video blog by the Chairman on the website would be a good way of communicating with members. It was also felt that Andy Mellor could do a periodical blog on disability issues. **Action: Andy Worth to speak with Josh Hawkes (CST) to record these.**

Andy W reported that he has again spoken with Canalside regarding auditory systems for blind fans. **Action: Andy Worth to liaise with club / Brian Moores from Canalside on progress.**

5. FINANCE REPORT

John had already circulated the current financial report. He reported that Clive Westbury was again auditing the accounts ready for the year end.

A donation of £1000 has been given by the relatives of the late David Harrison. Andy to write letter of thanks.

6. MEMBERSHIP

Bernie reported that we have received our first family membership. Emails will be sent out over the next week regarding membership renewal.

7. FUTURE DIRECTION OF THE SST AND REVIEW OF OBJECTIVES

Andy made the board aware of reports of an alternative supporters' group (*via WhatsApp*), which could potentially possibly have the benefit of being viewed by rank and file as more of a challenging group towards the club hierarchy. The possibility of an open meeting to discuss this matter was mooted and could even possibly lead to the renaming of the SST to something like *Macclesfield Town Supporters Club* to encourage a wider breadth of membership. **Action: To be discussed at the AGM.**

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Butch's Bar. A local and well-respected builder (*Jim Schofield*) has done a report on the current building and advised it to be condemned. Our sincere gratitude to Jim for his help and support which he did in his own free time, is hereby documented within these minutes. Action: **Andy Scott has links with Cheshire Demolition to see how much it would cost to demolish. Andy Worth will look to facilitate a meeting with club officials as to how we move things forward look to move things forward using a working party model.**

Christmas Draw. Myra handed out the raffle tickets for the draw to all members.

Soccer Sixes: Andy has spoken with Julian Jones who has contacts with local schools and is willing to support a tournament in the spring. **Action: Andy Worth to follow this up.**

Other fund-raising ideas: **Andy Worth** has spoken with Nicki and Keith Wilson about doing a 'Car Boot' under the McIlroy Suite. SST could have a stall to raise funds

Player of the Year: **Andy Worth** to arrange this along with others for the end of the season. Money raised could go into the SST or Butch's Bar fund appropriate

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

AGM: It was agreed to hold the AGM on Monday 25th November 2019 at 7:45p.m. Venue to be arranged.