

The Silkmen Supporters' Trust.



**BOARD MEETING
HELD ON
MONDAY 17th February 2020
THE QUEENS HOTEL MACCLESFIELD**

PRESENT:

- Andy Worth (Chair)**
- Chrissie Thompson**
- Michael Clarke**
- Richard Pattrick**
- Rob Wilson (Secretary)**
- John Abbott (Accountant)**
- John Mail**
- Andy Mellor**
- Bernie Rickman**
- Caroline Harrop**
- Marie Grundy**

1. APOLOGIES

Bryan Brown
Myra Clarke (Treasurer)
Jon Smart

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes were agreed as a correct record.

3. MATTERS ARISING

All matters arising will be dealt with in the Agenda.

4. DISABILITY ISSUES

A meeting to discuss updating disability issues on the website to be arranged.

Nothing further to report

5. FINANCE

JA circulated the finance balance sheets prior to the meeting.

JA reported that a further £400 had been paid out for new microphone and replacement CD player to replace those loaned by Silk Events. AW thanked all for their prompt response to this request.

Discussion was held around the request for support in repair of shutters. Due to the limited funds available it was felt we could not at this time support this. Action: AW to liaise with Caroline Hall.

JA reported that currently there is around £14,500 in the hardship fund with some money still to be repaid. JA felt that we needed to consider what we do with the money when the fund no longer needed. Discussion to be held at future meeting.

6. MEMBERSHIP

Nothing new to report.

7. UPDATE REGARDING POY & SOCCOR 6'S

POY – This will be held on 25th April 2020. The trust will purchase prizes. There will be 6 trophies presented: POY, Players POY, Wraggs, Moose Tours Prize, SLE and Andy Mellor Shield. The old POY trophy from several years ago has been found and will be repaired and updated with recent winners. Voting boxes will be available from the Salford Game and online. This event will be advertised on various websites.

Soccer 6's - The proposed date for this event is 26th April 2020. AW updated on the issues with the ground etc.

8. AOB

MC wished it to be noted that he had written to Leyton Orient thanking them for allowing a Macclesfield young fan to announce the team at the recent match.

Update on Sale of Club – 1 person is still interested in purchasing the club. AW reported that a well known and respected person linked with the club is acting as mediator between buyer and major shareholder. AW is in regular contact with this person who has reported that negotiations surrounding sale of the club is still going ahead but extremely slowly.

Butch's Bar - In the recent storms the roof covering of condemned Butch's Bar is causing concern as this could be a safety issue to fan on London Road. AW updated the meeting on the response of the club following overtures being made by some

fans to replace this building, which have now been put on hold. These concerns to be relayed to the club and a push be made to have the building demolished.

Early bird Season Ticket Sales – Concerns were expressed if the club is considering offering early bird ticket sales due to the current situation at the club. AW to include this in his communications with Caroline Hall.

Points Deduction Appeal - Those present indicated that they would like some clarification on the Appeal lodged around the recent points deduction and the disciplinary action. The question on poor representation at early hearing was an issue. AW to write to the EFL to see if we can get some clarification.

Bury FC - It was felt that the Trust should send a letter of support to Bury FC.

Social Media – It was felt that the SST should utilise its social media pages more, providing a regular update on what the Trust is doing and the concerns that we have and try to get answers for.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be the postponed 'Christmas Dinner' at The Springwood Tytherington on 16th March 2020 at 8 p.m.

The following meeting after the meal will be held on 14th April 2020 venue to be confirmed.