

Silkmen Supporters' Trust

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 12th April 2021 via Zoom.

Present:

Andy Worth (AW)	Chairperson
John Abbott (JA)	Finance
Patrick Birch (PB)	
Mike Clark (MiC)	
Myra Clark (MC)	Treasurer
Caroline Harrop (CH)	
Richard Patrick (RP)	
Chrissie Thompson (CT)	Communications
Robert Wilson (RW)	SST Secretary

1 Welcome by Chairperson.

The meeting was opened and everyone welcomed at 7.30pm by the Chairperson AW.

2 Apologies.

Bernie Rickman (BR)
Jon Smart (JS)
Robert Vernon (RV)

3 Finance.

JA briefed the Board on the current state of the SST's finances:

Lotto.

We are still dealing with the stragglers in closing the Lotto. A few still haven't cancelled standing orders. We are chasing but we can only do so much.

The Lotto fund stands today at £6693. £3000 is to be paid to specified charity partners and the balance will be retained by the SST as agreed.

The Hardship Fund.

The Hardship Fund has been closed and the balance of £6238 'transferred' back to the SST Main Funds. There are some 'loans' outstanding given to those in greatest need but we can assume that these will not be repaid.

MFC

£2100 has been paid to the club for the net cost of the defibrillators (plus cases). We have agreed to pay £10,100 to the club for the net cost of the PA system plus mike. We are

waiting for confirmation that this has been ordered and will transfer the money straight to the club. We have also agreed to sponsor the first home game and Danny Whitaker. The cost of this is £960. Again we are waiting for a revised invoice and agreement to be issued to our correct registered address. On receipt funds will be transferred.

It was also agreed that the SST would sponsor Danny Whitaker's home and away shirts.

Cash Balance.

Current bank balance	£22846
Lotto Charity Partners	(£3000)
MFC – PA etc	(£10100)
MFC – Sponsorship	(£960)
Revised 'available funds'	£8786

As previously mentioned, if we are to play a significant future financial part in the new MFC, we need to find new regular fund generation opportunities.

4 Membership.

RW stated that a copy of the membership has to be held by the SST Secretary. RW has volunteered to assist BR and RV with membership matters..

5 Communications.

Ideas are required as to how the website can be updated and improved.

6 Current Situation.

AW, RP and PB updated the Board on the current situation. Re-development is going well and there was a very positive site visit by representatives of the FA and North West Counties League.

7 Fundraising.

A discussion on fundraising took place. It was agreed to approach Mr Smethurst and request that the SST be allowed to take over the 50/50 draw.

Any fundraising ideas are to be put to RW.

8 AGM.

RW proposed that once Covid restrictions allow that we approach Mr Smethurst for permission to hold the AGM in the new sports bar. Furthermore it was suggested that Mr

Smethurst be asked to update attendees regarding his plans and take attendees around the ground to show the re-development.

9 AOB.

The SST will look into the feasibility of Moose Tours continuing.

It was suggested that the SST fund and sponsor a new mascot suit.

The club needs volunteer stewards. The SST has been asked to advertise this.

10 Next Meeting.

The next meeting is to be held on Monday 10th May 2021 commencing at 7.30pm.