

## Silkmen Supporters' Trust

### Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2022 at the Pack Horse Bowling Club.

Present:

Andy Worth (AW)	Chairperson
John Abbott (JA)	Finance
Patrick Birch (PB)	
Myra Clark (MC)	Treasurer
Mike Clark (MiC)	
Caroline Harrop (CH)	Communications
Mike Hutchison (MH)	
Andy Mellor (AM)	Disability Liaison
Bernie Rickman (BR)	Membership
Chrissie Thompson (CT)	
Robert Wilson (RW)	SST Secretary

1 Welcome by Chairperson.

The meeting was opened and everyone welcomed at 8pm by the Chairperson (AW).

2 Apologies.

Richard Patrick (RP)  
Jon Smart (JS)

3 Councillor Mike Hutchison was co-opted onto the Board.

4 Finance.

JA updated the meeting on the finances:

We currently have £8795.18 in our various accounts.

The SST donated £200.00 to the Sam Harding fund following his untimely death.

PB updated the Board on the need for the club to review and renew its annual safety certificate. A request to the SST for financial assistance might be forthcoming as this will be for the benefit of fans and in order for the club to gain maximum attendance.

Silkmen Supporters Trust  
Bank Accounts  
as at 16th May 2022

Opening balance as at 1st July 2021	SST £
Main	9069.06
Reserve	71.26
Paypal	127.04
	9267.36

Movement in period since 1st July	SST
Main	(446.78)
Reserve	0.01
Paypal	(25.41)
	(472.18)

Closing Balance	SST
Main	8622.28
Reserve	71.27
Paypal	101.63
	8795.18

Silkmen Supporters Trust  
Main Bank Account  
as at 16th May 2022

Activity since 1st July 2021

Receipts	Main Account £
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Membership	398.00
50/50	9528.60
EasyFund	115.00
Lotto	65.10
Donation	28.68
Paul Bamford - Shirt Sale	55.00
Car Boot	70.30
	10260.68

#### Payments

I & I	256.66
Danny Whit Course	900.00
50/50 Costs	2038.45
Match Sponsorship Ashton	600.00
Donation Re Anna Ledger	800.00
Ukraine Disaster 5050	314.00
Evac Slide	200.00
POY Ballot Boxes	209.70
POY Trophies	135.70
Substitute Board	609.99
MFC - PA System SLE	2922.00
MFC - Emergency Lighting	1700.00
Charges	0.96
Lotto Licence	20.00
	10707.46

Net Surplus/ ( Deficit) (446.78)

#### Paypal

Memberships	185.00
Gofundme - Sam Harding	(200.00)
Paypal Costs	(10.41)

#### 5 Membership.

BR gave an update on the current membership. We have had three new members join in the last month. The number of members is now 347.

BR suggested introducing a Membership package. MH suggested that the SST constantly promotes what it does.

RW will liaise with Jason at Spiral Print regarding getting a A5 membership form printed.

#### 6 Communications.

Communication with members continues to improve. The SST Facebook page and Twitter is continuing to increase the numbers viewing. Currently, both are attracting circa 1000 followers. Instagram stands at approx. 150.

#### 7 Website.

BR is continuing to carry out a slow upgrade of the SST's website. Significant progress has been made with the inclusion of the Northern Premier League West Division's clubs. Information regarding opponents for the coming season are available there.

BR is currently working on a new online membership application form. All Board members have been emailed details.

#### 8 Fundraising.

AW is still trying to get hold of Mike Griffiths in order to get information on a possible low cost lottery provider.

It was agreed to set up a subcommittee to coordinate the setup and running of the lottery consisting of AW, JA, MH and BR.

The Silk Pledge will start next season. BR, RW and JA will be involved in the running of it. Agreement was made to start promoting the Silk Pledge. RW will work on the online promotion and speak to Jason at spiral Print regarding getting a A5 flyer made.

#### 9 Any Other Business.

MC raised the subject of access to the disabled toilets. The Board felt that this needs looking at as a matter of urgency. PB and AW will raise the subject with the owners during a scheduled walk around the club.

MC also raised the problem of fans constantly walking in front of disabled fans obstructing their view of the game. PB will look at this problem.

#### 10 Next Meeting.

The next meeting will be on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2022.