



GLOUCESTER CITY AFC SUPPORTERS TRUST

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Minutes of the Gloucester City Supporters annual AGM, held on Sunday 4th August, 2024 at 2pm at The TigerTurf Stadium.

Present:

Robin Mogg (Chairman), Craig Layhe (Secretary), Board Members Dave Jones, Matt Phillips, Judith Evans and Chris Palmer. Also in attendance were Leon England, Phil Gough, Tim Clark, Christine Clark, Graham Mitchell, Mim Mitchell, Martyn Ellis, Andy Hillier, David Stait, David Beck, Mark Davidson, John Evans and Colin Pattenden.

1. Apologies:

Trevor King (Treasurer), Paul Halford, Ian De Maria, Paul Clark, Tim Lezzard, Dave Millar, Andy Clark, Nigel Dean and Alan Dawkins.

2. Minutes:

Minutes of the previous AGM, held on Sunday 13th August, 2023 were approved and unamended

3. Chairman's Report

Robin read his statement in full, a copy of which will be posted onto the GCST Website for your reference. No other questions or feedback.

4. Treasurer's Report:

Trevor's Treasurer Report Statement was read in full, a copy of which will be posted onto the GCST Website for your reference. A question was asked regarding the cost of the war memorial, to which the reply was approx. £700 and £588 had been raised so far. A suggestion was made to hold a collection bucket on match days to raise the remaining amount, which will be explored further. There were no other questions or feedback.

5. Appointment Of Independent Examiner and acceptance of accounts

Nick Priest was proposed by Dave Jones to continue and was seconded by Judith Evans. A copy of the accounts will be available on the GCST Website for your reference.

6. Election and re-election of club officers

Paul Halford and Toby Ackland informed the trust that they wished to step down as board members and the GCST would like to thank both for their time and efforts. There was no requirement for any current GCST board members to be re-elected. The members in the room were asked if anyone else would like to become board members, Tim Clark offered to stand and was proposed by Dave Jones and seconded by Mim Mitchell and Mark Davidson also offered to stand and was proposed by Dave Jones and seconded by John Evans.

7. AOB

Shareholders

Matt Phillips informed us that GCST now own 16% of the club at the moment. About 22% of shares are potentially available and that several hundred shareholders owned shares across many years. We were informed that should any financial matters arise, that would be the responsibility of the Directors and not the shareholders. When asked, we were informed that there had been no financial costs to GCST in obtaining the shares, other than approx. £100 in admin costs.

Foundation Community Project

Matt updated us with progress so far, which included a Community Interest Company had been set up with himself, Jim and Jenny as directors. Matt stated they would employ people to train as coaches and run kids football teams under the banner of Gloucester City. The initial location for the sessions would be in Kingsholm, due to ease of set-up and there being very little youth football in Kingsholm. There was an intention to role this across the city, but would initially just be Kingsholm, for football sessions. It's a long term ambition to involve first team players and the management team in sessions, school visits and stadium sessions. An announcement on the official Gloucester City Website would be released soon for further details.

Youth Teams

A question was asked if GCST were getting out to the youth teams. It was stated that it is the intention and on GCST mind, but with so few volunteers, it was difficult to execute. Members were reminded that GCST has issued two vouchers to two youth team players at their recent awards evening, financial donations were made from GCST to the academy teams and also funded £500 to purchase a Veo camera for the youth teams.

Club Member Board

A question was asked if a photo board and frame (similar to the current one that contains old programmes) could be created as a memory to club members that we have lost over the years.

Club History

It was asked if the bare walls could be decorated, celebrating over 100 years' worth of history of the club. It was stated that it would be the clubs decision, but members were informed that there are plans to have some signed shirts going up on the walls soon from previous years. Members were asked if they had any memorabilia to inform the club if it can be put to use.

Containers

It was asked what the new containers were for. No one from GCST knew what the purpose of the new containers were going to be used for.

Robin closed the meeting thanking Alan Dawkins for his support over the years and would stay on the board in an advisory capacity, particularly to help Craig in his new role as secretary.

Robin so thanked those for attending today and hoping for a great and successful season on the pitch, which starts next Saturday.