

GLOUCESTER CITY AFC SUPPORTERS TRUST

Minutes of GCST Board Meeting held on Monday, 24th March, 2025 at Regus Offices, Worcester Street, Gloucester.

Present:

Robin Mogg (Chairman), Trevor King (Treasurer), Craig Layhe (Secretary), Dave Jones, Judith Evans, Mark Davidson, Tim Lezard, Matt Phillips (Vice-Chairman), Chris Palmer, Colin Taylor (Club Chairman) and Paul Clark.

Welcome:

Robin thanked those for attending

Apologies:

Tim Clark

Minutes:

Minutes of the previous meeting, held on Monday 17th February, 2025 were approved and unamended

Matters Arising:

The corporate box flooring donation was £600 and the heat press is now in the club shop for the trust to make use of

Treasurer's Report:

A copy of the most up to date accounts were provided by Trevor for all members and will be posted onto GCST Website for all trust members to see. In summary, £7964 in the bank with £1846 ring-fenced for other expenditure, leaving £6117 available. Line by line detail of all monies are listed on the financial report posted on the website. Headlines include:

£3.3k raised in the club shop for March so far

£1273 spent on club shop refurbishment

Membership Report and 2024/5 subs:

No changes month on month, we remain at 110 current members

Keith & Mike Plaque:

No further update, agenda item carried forward

Easy Fundraising Drive

• To advertise the details in the matchday programme

• Sponsor A Goal Update

Chris provided a list of those who participated and how much the amounts currently stand at

• End Of Season Survey

No potential questions were submitted from trust members, so Robin and Matt will produce a potential questionnaire, largely based on the matchday experience

• Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Policy and Equality Charter Policy

Both policies were passed and will now be published to the website for sign off at the next AGM

Members Handbook

An updated handbook will be sent to all board members for review and sign off at the next meeting

• 2025 End Of Season Awards

Still an ongoing discussion, but is proving difficult to arrange and questioned if it's even worth it

• GCAFC Foundation Expense Request

Matt asked the trust to support further funding to pay the coaches wages and to put on further events. Board members were happy to support the request and Matt would provide details of what levels of funding for what activities would cost before a decision is made. Matt also talked about summer camps are under discussion

Q&A With Colin Taylor

Colin was in attendance for a Q&A discussion and the highlights of this discussion included:

Unlikely to bring in a striker for the remainder of the season

Discussions were already under way with players for next season

Tiverton were happy to switch the fixture to Friday night

Regarding debt, legacy bills are still coming in. Will need another season to get close to being sustainable

Lack of sponsorship money has been an issue this season, with a focus on selling corporate boxes for each game, building on the relationship with TigerTurf and that Malvern Tyres were happy to continue

EV2 will be the shirt supplier for the new season, the kits have already been selected and ordered, so projecting to be on sale for pre-season

To repaint the yellow lines would cost £1750

Expected to have approx. 400 youth players next season

Very happy with the dedication from the voluntary media team this season and plan to build on that for next season

No pre-seasons have been arranged yet, but is difficult to attract a higher league team

Discussions are currently being held on updating the club badge, a discussion was held in the room about potentially removing Prorsum Semper from the badge

• Any Other Business

No discussion or points raised

The meeting then closed with the date for the next meeting being on Monday 28th April, 7pm, at Regus Offices in Worcester Street