

MINUTES OF MEETING OF SAINTS CITY TRUST BOARD AT CONSERVATIVE CLUB ON 20th JANUARY 2020 7.30 PM

Present: Ian Oakley (Interim Chair), Duncan McLeod, Gavin Rumble and John Bracken.

Apologies: Ian Rogers, Barry Hilliard and Aaron Paea.

1. Welcome and Apologies

Apologies above.

2. Minutes of Meeting 4th November 2019

Draft Minutes of the meeting had been circulated.

Matters Arising:

- Covered under other agenda items.

3. Finance

FCA return has now been sent.

DM reported that £2,124 has been banked up to the Maidstone United match from fund raising on match days. Receipts were about 25% down on last season.

The defibrillator part funded from the Clive Churchhouse legacy had now been installed. The meeting agreed to contact the Club about the possibility of erecting a plaque to help remember Clive.

John would provide update on the accounts at the next meeting.

4. Meeting of St. Albans City Steering Group

GR and DM updated meeting on the Steering Committee meeting on 4th December. They explained that the group was chaired by Leigh Page and attended by Ian Allinson and by representatives from the Trust, Stand By Your Saints (SBYS) and other volunteers. Items discussed included:

- Update of kitchen facilities to allow more flexibility in venue hire.
- Launch of new lottery scheme in March.
- First Saints Networking Club meeting with local businesses.
- Plans for evening with Ray Parlour on 5th March.
- Plans for Golf Day on 20th March.

- Progress on new kit deal for 2020/21.
- Need for volunteers for specific roles such as dedicated first aider.
- Decline in recruitment to Young Saints and plans to improve this.
- Need to step up positive messaging and how this might be achieved.
- Plans for community day on 19th April.

5. SBYS AGM 2019

DM had attended the Stand By Your Saints AGM. Items raised at the Board's previous meeting have progressed as follows:

- A joint quiz has now been fixed for 28th February.
- A joint letter was drafted to Club asking for their perspective of Ian Ridley's claim about financing the admission price increase. Lawrence Levy had replied orally to DM.
- The possibility of closer working between SBYS and the Trust, being mindful of the Trust's legal status. The Board agreed to initiating further discussions about this partnership. This meeting agreed that IO and GR would lead on this and a meeting fixed with SBYS.

6. Any Other Business

The following items were discussed:

- New Player of Month sponsors needed. There was no sponsor for December. The Board would seek new ideas.
- 80 members signed up to date.
- A Winter Newsletter was due. DM to start to draft items for comment.
- Hope to run transport to Chippenham Town game on 29th February.

Next meeting is due to take place on Monday 2nd March at 7:30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

IAN OAKLEY
INTERIM CHAIR