



## **Minutes of the Cardiff City Supporters' Trust Annual General Meeting**

**14<sup>th</sup> July 2022 at the Three Arches Public House**

### **Registration/Attendance**

Peter Charles;David Craig;Andrew Dawes;Jonathan Day;Owen Deacon; Phil Dooley;Chris Edwards;Andrew Francis;Caren Fullerton;Peter Fullerton;Robert Jeffery;Lynda Jeffery;Karen Jones;Gareth Jones;Clive Mann;Jeffrey Mansfield; Keith Morgan;Philip Nifield;Rhys Price;Brendan Sadka;Michael Spear;Jeremy Williams;David Young;John Young.

### **Apologies**

Nick Williams;Richard Essex;Ron Williams;Sylvia Williams.

### **Chair's Welcome and Report**

Keith Morgan noted that it was Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June 2019 when the Trust last held its Annual General Meeting and the period between then and today was a unique, tragic and sometimes bizarre one. There had been no face-to-face Board meetings, no practical ways of organising social events and for a long time, no football matches to attend. The Chair then listed and talked about the issues he thought were of particular note.

1. Fans Led Review of Football
2. Ukraine Appeal
3. Trust support for foodbanks
4. Cardiff City FC Museum
5. Dispute with Club Directors
6. Trust registration with the Financial Conduct Authority

### **Fans Led Review**

The Chair drew the Meeting's attention to 3 aspects of this. 1]the introduction of tougher checks on who can be owners and directors of football clubs 2]the requirement for there to be a supporters' shadow board of directors with which the owners and directors must consult regularly 3]a limit on what owners can do without fans' consent eg change of club name, kit changes, ground relocation.

### **Ukraine Appeal**

Trust Board members were amongst fans' representatives who assisted in sorting out donations. A bucket collection at the Stadium resulted in over £7000 being raised. Club staff and Academy players and of course the generous City fans contributed in making this a great success.

## Trust Support for Foodbanks

Board members had led an initiative to organise the collection and distribution of donations to foodbanks at two City home games. This was carried out with the support of Club staff and players and of course the generous City fans.

## Cardiff City Museum

An area at the Stadium has been identified as a site for this. There will be no shortage of items for display after successful auction bids for City memorabilia. The support of Steve Borley[Club executive director] and Wayne Nash[Operations Manager]was crucial in making the bids.

## Dispute with Club Directors

The Chair did not want to dwell on this because he felt that it had been well-documented. It is the outcome that mattered and this has been positive. He stressed that he has already made positive and regular contact with Steve Borley and Wayne Nash. The Chair felt that it was important to stress that the Board's relationship with management below director level had always been a strong and productive one.

## Trust registration with the Financial Conduct Authority

The Chair was keen to stress that the Trust had been a full associate member of the Football Supporters' Association since its inception. The FSA has been a vital source of information, guidance, advice and support. However it has been important that the Trust formalise its status by registering with the Financial Conduct Authority. This has been achieved and the Trust is now registered as The Bluebirds Supporters Society Ltd. but will continue to trade as Cardiff City Supporters' Trust.

## **Minutes of the 2019 AGM**

The minutes of the June 20<sup>th</sup> 2019 were approved as a true record

## **CCST Accounts**

Adoption of accounts for the years' ended 31/12/2019 – 31/12/2020 – 31/12/2021. All were approved unanimously.

## **FCA Registration**

The meeting noted the Trust's new FCA registration status. Accepted unanimously.

## **Examination of Accounts**

The Chair reported on the advice from the Football Supporters Association that, consequent upon our new FCA Registration, members approval was required for the Accounts to be subject to Independent Examination rather than the need for a full Statutory Audit.

Unanimous approval was given to Independent Examination of the Accounts as opposed to full Statutory Audit subject to renewal of approval at each AGM

## **New Board of Directors**

The Chair advised the meeting that all previous Board Members had stood down and those wishing to stand again has resubmitted their names for re-election. He also noted with disappointment that only 8 members had put themselves forward for the 9 seats available so an election was not required. The 8 members who had offered themselves for election were

- Keith Morgan
- David Craig
- Jon Day
- Phillip Nifield
- Mike Spear
- Jeremy Williams
- Nick Williams
- Gareth Jones

All 8 candidates were introduced to the meeting and their appointment to the Board was unanimously approved

## **CCST Model Rules**

The Chair reported on the new Model Rules that had been accepted by the FCA consequent upon the Trust's new registration. The new rules would be made available on the Trust website.

The meeting unanimously approved the new rules

## **Chair's Thanks**

The Chair brought the meeting to a close and thanked all present for attending

