



WORTHING FOOTBALL CLUB SUPPORTERS ASSOCIATION
Minutes for the Committee meeting held at WFC on
16th January 2023 at 6.00pm



	Item	Action	By Whom	When
	Phil Houghton, the WFC Food, Beverage and Events Manager joined the meeting prior to the Committee business and the following items were discussed: Changes to the Supporters' Away Travel: the hiring of a large coach shared by players and supporters has not proved to be financially viable and is regularly making a loss. Gary is to speak with Paul C to look at hiring a separate Supporters' minibus (primarily for supporters who are not able to drive/use the train) using the Club's online ticketing system.	Look at options for Supporters' away travel.	Gary (with Paul C.)	20.2.23
	Gary raised the lack of information provided to him as the Men's match day announcer. Phil said that he will report this back to Paul C.	Review of information provided for match day announcements.	Paul C.	20.2.23
	- The offer of the use of the Bar for free by the WFCSA for specific Supporters' events is still open and the Committee confirmed that they will look to arrange some events this year, especially when the season ends to keep income coming in for the Club. - Note St Patrick's Evening on Friday 17th March. - Looking at have a free drink for members on Band Evenings. - Free Venue Hire (usually £300) for WFCSA members (e.g. weddings, christenings, birthday parties.) - The 'Club Night' on Thursdays has not been well attended, so the Bar will not be opening from now on. Supporters are still welcome to come to the ground to watch the training.	WFCSA to organise some events (see below) Phil to keep us updated on promotions/offers.	WFCSA Phil	Ongoing Ongoing
	- A suggestion was made to replace the Golden Goal with the 50/50 draw. Phil thought there were tickets already printed and will check. - The Committee agreed to get a Rota together for selling them.	Phil to check for the tickets. Table with dates etc to be circulated.	Phil Ange	20.2.23 20.2.23
	- Chips: having to purchase them separately is not great, but they are a popular purchase. Perhaps pre-order/pay - Sarah has a chest freezer if more storage is needed.	Phil and Paul to look at options and contact Sarah re freezer.	Phil and Paul.	20.2.23
	The speakers to the North side of the pitch are often too loud... or can't be heard at all. Phil confirmed that he will review the sound levels and adjust them as best he can. The long term solution (when funds allow) will be to move/add to the speakers. The Committee thanked Phil for coming and he then left the meeting.	Speakers to the North side of the ground to be adjusted.	Phil.	20.2.23

1.	Apologies for absence: James Easton			
2.	Attending Gary Cohen, Sarah Cohen, Colin Edwards, Gordon Caplin, Ange Tanner, Ian Coles, Spencer Webb, Paul Garrard, Trevor Smart, Pete Vale, Matt Judge, Allison Van Brien.			
3.	Correspondence None.			
4.	Minutes of the previous Committee meeting	Confirmed as approved and signed by the Chair at the meeting.		
5.	Matters arising. We had agreed prior to the AGM that we would look to spread the activities of the Committee across all of the members, plus look to get all of the WFCSA members more involved .	Ange to circulate a table with the activities/events etc that we want to achieve this year, so we can get our names down. We will then encourage other members to get involved, too.	All	20.2.23
6.	Chairman's Report. Gary reported that Dulwich had been contacted about the damage to their flag, but it has been repaired and all is fine. Concerns were expressed regarding the behaviour of a number of young people who are associating themselves with Worthing at home and away matches. They have started taking flares to away games (where the entry checks are not as good as Worthing) and setting them off, plus bad language and intimidating group behaviour. WFCSA wish to work with the Club in making it clear that this is not acceptable. Suggestions include: A Club Statement that anyone found behaving like this will be banned from home games and other Clubs will be informed of the ban. No 14-15 year old without an adult, or put the price up? A membership card for younger people which cannot be purchased on the day and can be cancelled as a sanction. Generally an "Under 16s" policy would be welcomed (e.g. ensuring children are supervised.) Some of the above are already in hand at the Club and the WFCSA could assist in consulting with and informing members of updates to policies etc.	Ange to draft a letter to the Club raising the issue. WFCSA to support positive action e.g. by assisting with consultation and providing updates to Members on any changes.	Ange and Gary All.	20.2.23
7.	Treasurer's Report. Attached as Appendix A. Sarah confirmed that the WFCSA now has online banking.	Note Appendix A.	All	20.2.23
8.	Membership. The Hall of Fame idea was discussed and supported in principle. A small group is going to put together a proposal with details of how this might work in practice. Ideas were suggested for events: James and Spencer are organising a comedy night. Ange is organising and St Patrick's Event (17th March.) We all thought a Quiz would be good.	Ange to circulate a list so that we can sign up to help with various activities.	All	20.2.23
9.	Fixture Posters. George has been recovering from an operation and has not issued any fixture posters recently.			
10.	Sponsor A Goal. Cash exchanged hands between Paul and Sarah!			
11.	Player of the Month/Season and Milestone Awards. Gordon provided an update and also photographs of the presentations. The next one will be for Sophie Humphrey, 100 appearances.	See Appendix B		

12.	Worthing Football Club Management Team Update. Ange ran through the works that are programmed for completion by the end of March this year to enable us to continue playing in this League. A grant application has been submitted to the Premier League Stadium Fund and this is looking positive, but the Club will still have to match fund 30%. At the meeting of 22.8.22, the Committee agreed the WFCSA "would look to retain the majority of our remaining funds (excluding the £1000 used for operational activities, such as the monthly draw, purchase of awards and so on) for grant proposals relating to the ground grading and league requirements." See Appendix C. The Club had sent a request for a grant of funds to cover the purchase of the Box Seats required to bring the number of seats in the stand to 500 (a requirement if the Club wishes to enter the Play Offs.) The initial quote was for Eur.3363, plus import tax. The Committee voted in favour of providing these funds, recognising that the actual cost will be more than Eur.3363 as this quote was only being held for 30 days and the cost of importing them is not know at present. Once the full cost is known, the Committee will know how much is left in the funds and will consider further proposals from the Club. The Committee also thought Crowd Funding, such as with Bricks and Tee Shirts might be useful.	At the Meeting: The Committee voted in favour of providing the funds required to purchase the Box Seats. Once the full cost is know, the Committee will consider further proposals. Ange will forward the suggestion re Crowdfunding	All All Ange	16.1.23 16.1.23 20.2.23
13.	Decisions Made Under Point 9 of the Constitution/Financial Proposals. It was agreed to fund the purchase of further Rebel Yell Tee Shirts for sale. Two are left (1xL, 1xXL) of the original batch.	A big Thank You to James who will be ordering these.	James	Ongoing
14.	AOB. Trevor requested that the Minutes of the AGM and the Constitution be shared by email to Members.	Ange to email Minutes of the AGM and the Constitution to Members.	Ange	20.2.23
15.	Meeting finished: 8.05pm	Date of next meeting 20.2.23		

Appendix A.



WORTHING FC SUPPORTERS Player of the Month - October, 2022

Please place a cross / tick against your best player of the last month.

9	ADAM ADAM	2	SAMMIE McLEOD
6	IBRAHIM AKANBI	11	REECE MYLES-MEEKUMS
3	DANNY BARKER	7	OLLIE PEARCE
4	JAMES BERESFORD	10	AARRAN RACINE
0	NODIRBEK BOBOMURODOV	21	JOE RYE
0	DANIEL BOWRY	0	ALIEU SECKA
16	LUCA COCORACCHIO	2	MOE SHUBBAR
2	CONRAD HONORE	2	JAVAUN SPLATT
10	MO JAMMEH	0	CAMERON TUTT
18	CALLUM KEALY	5	LEWIS WHITE
39	HARRISON MALE	16	KANE WILLS

The player with the highest number of votes cast will be named as

Worthing FC Supporters Player of the Month

183 votes
cast

WORTHING FC SUPPORTERS Player of the Month - November / December, 2022

Please place a cross / tick against your best player of the last month.

1	ADAM ADAM	18	HARRISON MALE
1	IBRAHIM AKANBI	1	SAMMIE McLEOD
3	JAMES BERESFORD	7	REECE MYLES-MEEKUMS
1	DAN BOWRY	1	ALEX PARSONS
20	JOSH CHAMBERS	6	OLLIE PEARCE
10	LUCA COCORACCHIO	5	AARRAN RACINE
12	JOEL COLBRAN	6	JOE RYE
30	MO DABRE	2	MOE SHUBBAR
1	CONRAD HONORE	0	JAVUAN SPLATT
8	MO JAMMEH	2	LEWIS WHITE
1	REUBEN LIVESEY-AUSTIN	4	KANE WILLS
43	CALLUM KEALY		

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Presentation to Bob Smith for
long service to the Supporters
Association before the
Chelmsford City game on
Saturday 26 November, 2022

PLAYER OF THE MONTH AWARDS – 2022/23



Presentation to Ollie Pearce as
the Player of the Month for
August / September by
Dan Tupper before the
Farnborough Town game on
Saturday 8 October, 2022



Presentation to Harrison Male
as the Player of the Month for
October by James Easton
before the
Chelmsford City game on
Saturday 26 November, 2022



Presentation to Callum Keally as
the Player of the Month for
November / December by
Gordon Anderson before the
Welling United game on
Saturday 7 January, 2023



Appendix C.
WORTHING FOOTBALL CLUB SUPPORTERS ASSOCIATION
Minutes for the Committee meeting held at WFC on
22nd August 2022 at 7.00pm



	Item	Action	By Whom	When
16.	Apologies for absence: Pete Vale, Ian Coles			
17.	Attending Gary Cohen, Stephen Stapley, Gordon Caplin, Ange Tanner, Paul Garrard, Trevor Smart, James Easton, Colin Edwards, Spencer Webb, Sarah Cohen			
18.	Review of the Club's Project Proposal for WFCSA Grant Funding: Purchase of tables for the Fanzone. The proposal (see Appendix 1) was discussed. Gary proposed that WFCSA make this contribution. Sarah seconded. 8 voted in support, 1 against and 1 abstained.	Confirmation of grant funding to be made to the Club.	Ange	On confirmation of minutes.
		Payment to be made on purchase of the tables, with the WFCSA log, plus receipt of an invoice.	Sarah	On receipt.
19.	Review of the Club's Project Proposal for WFCSA Grant Funding: Interim Steps. The proposal (see Appendix 2) was discussed. Key points were: Our objective is to have a seated area in a stand where people with limited mobility can sit. Interim steps would achieve this. However, the Club is being obliged to carry out works to meet league requirement. This may include changes/additions to seating areas, which may meet our objective. The decision by consensus was that we would explain our position to the Club and ask them to submit a proposal once the plan for the league requirement works has been decided. We would look to retain the majority of our remaining funds (excluding the £1000 used for operational activities, such as the monthly draw, purchase of awards and so on) for this type of proposal.	Ange to give feedback to the Club regarding what WFCSA wants to achieve with the funds.	Ange	On confirmation of minutes.
		Club to submit a further proposal once the plans to meet league requirements are confirmed.	Paul C	December 2022
		WFCSA to retain the majority of the funds for a significant project.	WFCSA committee	December 2022
20.	Meeting finished: 8.05pm	Date of next meeting TBC		