



WORTHING FOOTBALL CLUB SUPPORTERS ASSOCIATION

Minutes for the Committee meeting held at WFC on

16 November 2023 at 6.30pm



	Item	Action	By Whom	When
1	Apologies: Gordon, Colin, Trevor, Pete, Sarah and Ian.			
2	Attended: Gary, Ange, Spencer, Jacco, James, Paul.			
3	Correspondence: The Constitution required by TicketPass was signed.	Ange to scan it to TicketPass who can then release our funds.	Ange	18.11.23
4	Minutes of the previous Committee meeting	Confirmed at the meeting.		
5	Matters arising. Gary explained regarding Sarah. The meeting elected Jacco as Vice Chair, so that if Gary needs any support (e.g. can't get to a meeting) Jacco will step in on a temporary basis. The whole Committee confirmed that they are here to help and we will all be working together to cover whatever needs to be done.	At the meeting: James nominated, Ange seconded and Jacco voted into the role of Vice Chair by majority vote.		
6	Chairman's Report. Nothing to report.			
7	Treasurer's Report. Sarah is stepping down as Treasurer. A massive thank you to Sarah for looking after us so well and keeping us sorted out on the Financial front. The rest of the team will be helping to pull together the financial items needed for the AGM etc.	Gary and Ange to sort out the accounts etc. Ange to get Paul registered with Natwest as a additional signatory.	Gary and Ange.	1.1.24
8	Worthing Food Foundation. We met Fiona, Fundraising Lead from the WFF (noting this is the Food Foundation, not Worthing Food Bank.) We agreed an Action Plan for how we will work together (See Appendix A.) A big thank you to Spencer and James for their work on this.	We have a WhatsApp group for this project with WFCSA and WFF people on it. If anyone would like to join this group, please let Ange know.	All	Ongoing
9	Fixture Posters. November's were late - hoping December will be on time!			
10	Sponsor A Goal & 50/50 A big thank you to Paul for continuing with this for this season.	Encourage people to join in.	All	Ongoing
11	"Women's supporters section" There was a discussion around how to increase attendance at the Women's game and how to further progress the WFCSA Girls and Women's pathway project. The WFCSA have made considerable progress: Running the Women's Match Day Ops, with a big thank you our volunteers, including Pete for Rebel Yell, Gordon for sorting out the WFCSA Award framing and champagne and Ange for general behind the scenes stuff, plus other volunteers at the matches, including Angela Bawtree (Turnstile, programme sales and kiosk), Allison (Queen of chips), Sam Beebee (Turnstiles and stewarding), Mark Brett	Ange to continue coordinating the WFCSA Girls and Women's Pathway Project and look at getting together people interested in a WFCSA "Women's supporters section".	Ange	Ongoing

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	(Lead Steward), Will Shorey (Assistant Steward), Ray Chaplin (Photographer) and Fraser Morrison (Social Media.) • Establishing contact with local Girls' Clubs and creating a WhatsApp group with their Managers and the Club (represented now by Nathan.) • Running the Mascots Experience (with every scheduled league game this season booked for Mascots from the Club, plus managing any "short notice" games or applications.) • Getting autograph books designed and printed for the Women's team members to give to the mascots as part of the experience (funded by donation.) • Setting up the WFCSA Award Presentations for Women's Team players. • Running player sponsorship fundraising (2 players sponsored so far.) • Organising photos to be taken of the sponsors with their players (and the WFCSA input highlighted on the WFC Website Women's Team page.) • Encouraging season ticket and member support at the games. • Promoting the WFCSA (making a start!) with a big thank you to James and Spencer for the attempted Tee Shirt sales! • Working with sponsors, including sponsored coaches to big games and the Women's programme (cash raised from programme sales at games is then returned back to the WFCSA Girls and Women's Pathway project fund. • Organising and cooking for the annual Sponsors and Volunteers Post Match Food event. Jacco noted that the Club has failed to deliver yet against their proposals (e.g. a Girls only Development Centre session, changing the time of the DC so it is less accessible.) The WFCSA will continue to take their plans forward, in the meantime. Moving forward, James suggested an early meeting to look at the Membership drive and this would include the Women's games - where there are lots of potential members!			
14	AGM. It was agreed by the Committee that the date of the AGM would be deferred until next year. The proposal is to hold it before the Women's home game v QPR on 11th Feb 2024. Members will be informed by email and should members feel concerned, or wish to arrange an earlier AGM they may call for an Extraordinary, in accordance with the Constitution and raise any issues there.	At the meeting: The Committee agreed that the AGM will be held before the Women's home game v QPR on 11th Feb 2024		
15	AOB. "Women's supporters section" The Committee discussed this and decided that it is disproportionately expensive to carry out the works and that the Club can get 70% grant funding to complete this. Should the Club apply for grant funding, the WFCSA may consider contributing. In the meantime the Club will be asked to formalise the use of the front row of seats in the Stand by less mobile supporters, such as labelling them "Priority Seats" (as in public transport.)	Applications from the Club will be considered	All	Ongoing

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16	Date of next meeting TBC	Meeting finished: 7.45pm		

Appendix A: WFCSA and WFF

Ticket Pass: The charitable donation element required by TicketPass will be set up to ensure Worthing Food Foundation receive the donations.

- James to put Fiona in touch with Darren at TicketPass (Done)
- Ange to send scan of Constitution to complete WFCSA TicketPass Onboarding (Done)

Tee Shirts: WFCSA want to donate 5% of each sale to Worthing Food Foundation. James and Spencer to:

- Establish costs etc and confirm the 5% contribution
- Confirm launch date and media approach with Fiona, when agreed.

Worthing Food Foundation Xmas appeal "Give a fiver for food" <https://justgiving.com/campaign/wffxmas>

- Fiona will liaise with Paul to have the Worthing Food Foundation posters distributed through the WFCSA Fixture poster group.
- Ange will promote the campaign to our members by email.
- James will promote the campaign via socials.
- We have a WhatsApp group for this project with WFCSA and WFF people on it. If anyone would like to join this group, please let Ange know.