

BATH CITY SUPPORTERS CLUB

Report of Committee meeting 3 October 2019

1. Apologies

All present

2. Sign off of Previous Meeting Minutes

- a. **Action point** – all to think about a local pub or club who would be willing to host SC meetings during the relocation.
 - It was suggested that AD should ask a local cricket club.
- b. **Action point** – CB to feed back at October meeting on reaction to plan to abolish concessions' coach fares.
 - The regulars will be asked in the coming month and CB will report back at the next meeting.
- c. **Action point** – AG to request that membership details are advertised weekly in the Club newsletter.
 - Completed. AG will ask Jon Bickley to remove the mention of new concessions' rates.
- d. **Action point** – CB to advertise Sponsor a Goal on the next coach trip.
 - Completed
- e. **Action point** – AD to research possibility of ordering a large cheque to present at Maidstone fixture.
 - Completed.
- f. **Action point** – SM to book Charlies for quiz evening on 18 October.
 - Completed
- g. **Action point** – AD to investigate advertising quiz to local students via social media.
 - Will ask if it can be added to Club's publicity for Student Day.
- h. **Action point** – SW to ask CB for assistance in ordering reusable cups for tea bar.
 - Completed
- i. **Action point** – AG to research aprons for draw sellers on Amazon and report back at October meeting.
 - Completed. Covered in item 8

There was clarification on 3 issues raised at the last meeting...

GW confirmed that 'coach income' and 'coach donations' cannot be itemised separately in the accounts.

It was agreed that it was too late for the thanks given by the club for the SC's funding of the training facilities to be shared with members. However, this had been posted on the Club's website.

Action point – MP to send link to committee.

On the proposal of using reusable cups in the tea bar it was agreed that the club should be approached.

Action point – SW to speak to Carole Banwell

The minutes were signed off.

3. Sign off AGM Minutes

The minutes were signed off.

Action point – AD to upload minutes to website.

Action point – MP to provide link to members.

4. Treasurer's Report

The accounts were shared by GW.

GW explained that HSBC have still to provide the SC with online banking and he is awaiting an update from them.

5. Training facility

It was agreed to pay £1000 to the club.

6. Travel Co-ordinator report

CB reported on the recent trips to Billericay, Swindon and Hemel. She thanked SM, AG, Andy Field and Chris Cox for their help on the Swindon trip in her absence.

CB listed various problems with the Swindon coach and had reported them to the coach company. In addition it was student moving in day and there was very heavy traffic, meaning a 45 minute delay.

Action point – MP + SM to take student moving in day into account when fixing departure time in future seasons.

It was agreed to continue the policy of not advertising fares in advance of a trip.

CB explained that although there were only 21 bookings received for the Billericay cup trip she felt that a coach should run following donations from Bob Chester and John Reynolds and a £50 carry over from the Swindon trip.

Action point – MP to send thanks to Bob and John

Action point – CB to mention the donations on the Billericay coach and encourage those on board to offer personal thanks for their generosity.

There was a brief discussion on the responses received from a few of the coach regulars following the recent invitation sent out regarding supposed concerns on the running of the coaches. Only one response had been critical, suggesting that the Club be approached about subsidising coach travel. It was agreed that this was not a practical idea as it would be the playing budget which would be affected and this was unlikely to go down well with supporters who were not coach regulars.

7. Tea Bar report

SM reported that he had spent £150 on stock, there were takings of £630 for the Hampton and Eastbourne matches and that he had recently paid in £340. £175 will be carried forward to the next month.

He thanked AD, CB, AG and Presley Morgan for their help at the busy Community Day.

8. Match Day Draw report

AG reported back on her research into purchasing aprons for the sellers.

It was agreed to purchase ten black aprons, with two pockets, costing £23 in total.

Bob Chester has asked if the SC would like Billy Horton to make the draw at the Maidstone match and it was agreed to take up the offer. MB will organise on the day.

9. HQ report

SW reported that £85 of Club merchandise was sold at the Eastbourne match and that Simon Howe has donated some team photos to sell.

Action point – MB to liaise with Simon.

10. Supporters Club Membership report

AG reported that the present total is 128, which includes 37 new members. Due to the change in concessions' rates the proportion of adults has risen. However there are less child members this season.

11. Publicity & Communications report

AD reported that it had been a busy month, particularly on Twitter.

As always it seems coaches are the main reason people look at the SC accounts and it was agreed that we need to promote the other aims and objectives.

Action point – AD to draft a new 'introduction' for the website.

12. Sponsor a Goal

A new member has signed up to the scheme.

13. Fundraising & Marketing ideas

The present easyfundraising total is £627.

Now that the 'big cheque' has arrived it was agreed that it should be presented to the Club asap with maximum publicity.

Action point – MP to liaise with Paul Williams

The present bucket collection total is £16.61

14. Quiz

Action point – SM to purchase prizes via the club (in case of a cancellation)

Action point – all to provide a prize for the raffle

Action point – CB to get promotional flyers printed for the bar, HQ and turnstiles.

Action point – AD will ask if it can be mentioned in club's advertising of Student Day

It was agreed to experiment with offering food.

Action point – SM to liaise with Donna Swaby.

15. Committee photos

As there have been no changes to the committee it was agreed that these would not be necessary.

16. Items for next agenda

Quiz review

17. Any Other Business

It was agreed to email the members with the following items...

AGM minutes, coach details, easyfundraising for Christmas purchases and reminders of meeting reports and the quiz.