



Wessex Blues

118th Meeting Minutes

Started 12th September 2024 19:20

Closed 12th September 2024 19:45

Location: The Royal British Legion, Ferndown

1. Welcome and Introduction

Robbie thanked and welcomed old and new members to our venue for our meeting (20 members, and 2 non-members were present).

Bill and Marilyn approved the previous minutes from August.

Apologies received – Richard (J), Pat Reid, Graham Haine, Neil, Keith Weston, Margaret Weston

2. Agenda Items

Committee Results – Robbie informed the meeting that sufficient votes had been cast for Richard (General Secretary and Treasurer) and Robbie (Chairperson). Robbie and Richard accepted the results and would continue to serve in these positions. Members present, were informed that the positions of Vice Chairperson and Social Secretary did not receive a nomination, however the club is able to continue with the three above positions filled.

Feedback from attendance from previous games between late August to early September

Manchester City v Manchester United (1-1) - 10th August 2024

Chelsea v Manchester City (0-2) – 18th August 2024

Manchester City v Ipswich Town (4-1) – 24th August 2024

West Ham United v Manchester City (1-3) – 31st August 2024

Members stated that everyone was pleased on how the fringe players had played (Grealish and Doku for instance) in absence of Foden and Rodri. Further praise for Haaland was forthcoming.

Comments regarding forthcoming games in late September to early October

Brentford (H), Inter Milan (H), Arsenal (H), Watford (H), Newcastle (A), and Fulham (H)

Members suggested a couple of difficult ones were expected here and that tickets for Inter Milan were highly priced.

Current membership – 59 – New Members since last season include Jack Harris, David Atherton, Keith Weston, Margaret Weston, Philip Hampton, George Hyde, Derek Parker, John Willcock, Colin Ward, Louis Ward, Clare Willats

New members not spoken/attended to date – Deanne Parkin, Pat Reid, Liam Barrett, Lukas Waszczyszyn, Helen Speller, Gracie Speller, Craig Jevons, Janet Connor, Lindsey Sturman, Oliver Sturman, Mark Sturman, Riette Jevons, Avan Erhumwunsee, Jack Harris, David Atherton, Keith Weston, Margaret Weston, Philip Hampton, George Hyde, Derek Parker, John Willcock, Colin Ward, Louis Ward, Clare Willats

John Willcock and Colin Ward were present on the list above and gave a short brief on their introduction and subsequent support of Manchester City. Members welcomed both to the club.

Any other news about new Members (from other members etc.) None

3. General Secretary Update

Ticket requests made between late August and early September for the following games:

Fulham (H) - 2 (David A, Jack)
Wolves (A) – 2 (Dave B, Graham R)
Southampton (H) - 3 (Dave A, Jack, DOB)
Inter Milan (H) – 2 (Lukasz, Tony)
Slovan Bratislava (A) – 1 (Andy M)
Juventus (A) – 1 (Andy P)
Sparta Prague (H) – 1 (Derek)
PSG (A) – 4 (Robbie, Dave B, Michael C, George H)
Sporting CP (A) – 2 (Robbie, Michael C)
Feyenoord (H) – 2 (Marilyn, Paul)
Watford (H) - 0

Members asked why ticket requests were required so far in advance. Richard has not been informed of the reason for this; however, Richard suggested post meeting it is because the dates and TV associated with these fixtures are fixed.

Members asked in terms of emails asking for ticket requests as these tend to come in batches (2+) and are getting disguised/lost on the email chain. Could these be sent separately?
Richard post meeting stated that the emails for each game are sent separately. Richard thinks with reference to reading emails, that this problem is common if read on a phone rather than via a computer due to phone settings.

Robbie re-iterated that tickets must be paid for promptly and if applying for tickets they become your responsibility, and the club could be penalised if this is not strictly adhered to.

Birthday wishes: - Mason (1st)

4. Treasurer Update

Current Bank balance and recent transactions - £1,559.05 (as of 12th September)

5. Any Other Business (AOB)

Dave mentioned that the Christmas Party can be held at the RBL; however, food will have to be obtained via a take-away as RBL's kitchen has gone.

Next Meeting – 10th October 2024 at 19:15 Royal British Legion, Ferndown