



Wessex Blues

139th Meeting Minutes

Started 13th August 2026 19:19

Closed 13th August 2026 19:39

Location: The Royal British Legion, Ferndown

1. Welcome and Introduction

Robbie gave thanks and welcomed everyone to the meeting and stated how good the turnout was (20 members) and pending members.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting, proposed by Alan and seconded by Michael.

Apologies received (as of 09:30) – Graham, Pat, Ryan (J), Phil M, Phil W (J), Neil M, Margie and Derek P

2. Agenda Items

Committee up for re-election in September, Robbie mentioned that he would quite happily step aside for somebody to take the role. Robbie confirmed that for the branch to operate, the Chairperson, General Secretary, Treasurer needed to be reappointed, with the optional roles of Vice Chairperson and Social Secretary to be considered. Richard confirmed the agenda and timetable for this with an email just going out to confirm the result just before the next meeting. If nobody wants to do the roles of Vice Chairperson or Social Secretary it does not matter, and these roles will be considered again in two years' time.

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

Inter Milan v Manchester City (1-1) – (3-1 on penalties) (1st August 2026)

K-League All Stars v Manchester City (1-3) (5th August 2026)

Athletico Madrid v Manchester City (1-3) (9th August 2026)

Little significant feedback was mentioned, but Robbie commented that the kids did play well, and he was saddened that Trafford had moved to Leeds.

Comments regarding forthcoming games in late August to early September

Arsenal (Cardiff), Bournemouth (H), Crystal Palace (A), and Coventry (H)

Robbie asked was anyone going to Cardiff for the Arsenal game and thought we would get nine points from the first three games and a trophy.

Current membership – 36 (pending 5)

New members not spoken/attended to date – Deanne Parkin, Liam Barrett, and Regan Barrett

We heard from Jack Harris, a child member who has become a young adult and explained that he became a City fan due to his Grandparent (Dave Atherton) who is also a Wessex Blues member. Jack explained that he was going to be studying Politics at Loughborough University.

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

3. General Secretary Update

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

Crystal Palace (A) - (1) Joe
Manchester United (A) - (3) Dave A, Jack, Joe
Sunderland (H) – (0)
Coventry (H) – (0)

Birthday wishes – Steve (14th), Andy H (17th), Stephen (8th) & Robbie (8th)

4. Treasurer Update

Current Bank balance and recent transactions - £655.08 (13th August)

5. Any Other Business (AOB)

Michael talked about prices doing hospitality at Manchester City, with reference to particular matches and experiences including the platinum experience, backstage experience, icon experience etc. Robbie also commented on how the developments at Bournemouth were unfolding.

Next Meeting – 10th September 2026 at 19:15 Royal British Legion, Ferndown