



Minutes of the meeting of the committee of Ilkeston Football Club Supporters Group held at The Sir John Warren, Ilkeston on Wednesday 4th July 2012 at 7.30pm

Present: Chairman - Paul Skillington; Treasurer - Darren Jones; Secretary - Duncan Lapping; Travel Secretary - Lee Francis; Website Administrator/Media Relations Officer – Duncan Payne.
Committee Members – Tracey Spitzmuller, Alex Middleton, Gary Skelton, Jon Shapland.
Co-optee's – Lynda Bacon, Mike Needham.

Action

53/12 Introductions and Apologies

Tony Squires was introduced as an observer to the meeting and as representative of the Heanor Town FC '12th Man' Supporters Group.

Apologies were received from Alison Wall.

54/12 Minutes of meeting held on 6th June 2012 and matters arising

Minutes of the meeting held on 6th June 2012 were agreed and approved by the Chairman.

55/12 Action Points from last meeting

Action points from the last meeting were noted.
The Group's website which remains in development; working party feedback is to be provided; GS had thanked Nick for his fundraising efforts.

56/12 Membership Secretary

The Chairman confirmed that John Sheils had resigned from the committee and his position as Membership Secretary.

Thanks are recorded from all members of the committee for John work and contribution to the development of the Supporters Group.

The Chairman advised that Jon Shapland had volunteered to take on the role and formally proposed him to this position. The Chairmans proposal was seconded by DP and agreed by all other committee members.

57/12 Chairmans meeting with IFC & Player Sponsorship

The Chairman reported that JS and he had met with Andrew Raisin and Chris Parsons of IFC to discuss player sponsorship options.

He was pleased to report that sponsorship of Daryll Thomas had been secured along with the provision of two season tickets. The total cost to the Group was £220.

The season tickets will be raffled throughout the season to members of the Group to ensure free match day entry to two Group members for every home league game.

All present agreed that this was an excellent deal for the Group.

The 'Bring a Friend' offer will also be carried forward to next season. This will be available for 15 home games and will be administered by hole punching membership cards. Group members taking up this offer will need to enter the ground via turnstile 'A'.

58/12 Away Travel Report

The matter of travel to pre-season away friendlies was discussed.

LF advised that he did not intend to organise any official Group travel to these fixtures.

GS advised that he may organise some travel for these fixtures from the SJW should there be any demand.

LF advised that he had three quotes for coaches for 2012/13 with a third pending. He also advised that he would continue to sell prediction sheets as a main source of income against away travel costs.

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59/12 Membership Report

JS reported the following points:

- (i) Membership cards – JS advised that the final cost to supply membership cards will be £84 (inc. VAT). He also advised that he had secured sponsorship/advertising for £25.
- (ii) Membership renewal forms – a new form has been designed and was circulated to members.
- (iii) Season ticket draw – JS will carry out a random draw in advance of each home game and notify successful members. It was agreed that if any successful member was not able to attend, there will be a re-draw, with the previously successful

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member being put back into the pot for future games.

- (iv) It was agreed that the opportunity to re-new or take up membership of the Group for the first time would start at the IFC family day on Saturday 7th July 2012.

60/12 Website Administrator/Media Relations Officer

- (i) Website - DP confirmed that the domain name and hosting had been purchased. He would be working with LF to ensure that the website would be ready for the start of the season.
- (ii) Twitter account – It was confirmed that IFC have set up a twitter account.
- (iii) Facebook account – It was confirmed that AW has agreed to administer the Facebook account.
- (iv) Programme page – DP advised that IFC intend to continue with a Supporters Group page in the match day programme for 2012/13.
- (v) DP intends to Supply the Ilkeston Advertiser with a blank membership form for possible use in the paper, or alternatively for them to publicise that IFCSG membership forms are now available on match days/at the SJW. DP
- (vi) Arrange with Erewash Borough Council for the use of a market stall on Saturday August 11th and to look into the possibility of arranging stalls for the IFCSG at the (hopefully) rearranged Ilkeston Carnival and the Xmas lights switch on. DP
- (vii) Publicise any forthcoming IFCSG events through Ilsonfootball and both local media/Non-League Paper. DP

61/12 IFCSG Merchandise

LF confirmed that wrist bands had been supplied and circulated packs amongst members. It was agreed that they will be sold for £1.

LF confirmed that a new pin badge had been ordered with delivery expected by w/c 24th July 2012.

GS advised that a Shepshed/IFCSG scarf could be supplied. It was agreed that an order be placed for 50 with 25 to go to Shepshed. It was also agreed that they be sold for £8.00 each.

62/12 Date, Time & Venue for Next Committee Meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 1st August 2012 at the Sir John Warren, Ilkeston.

DL and AM offered their apologies in advance due to holiday commitments.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10.00 pm.

ACTION POINTS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 4th July 2012

| Minute: | Action: | By Whom: | By When: | Comments: |
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| 53/12 | Provided report on quotes for coaches for 2012/13 at the next meeting. | LF | 1/8/12 | |
| 54/12 (iii) | Ensure season ticket draw carried out in advance of each home game and notify successful members. | JS | Throughout 2012/13 | |
| 55/12 (v) | DP intends to Supply the Ilkeston Advertiser with a blank membership form for possible use in the paper, or alternatively for them to publicise that IFCSG membership forms are now available on match days/at the SJW. | DP | 1/8/12 | |
| 55/12 (vi) | Arrange with Erewash Borough Council for the use of a market stall on Saturday August 11 th and to look into the possibility of arranging stalls for the IFCSG at the (hopefully) rearranged Ilkeston Carnival and the Xmas lights switch on. | DP | Immediately | |
| 55/12 (vii) | Publicise any forthcoming IFCSG events through Ilsonfootball and both local media/Non-League Paper. | DP | Throughout 2012/13 | |