

Minutes of the AFCW PLC Board Meeting Thursday 20 April 2023

Present: Mick Buckley, Iain McNay, Kris Stewart, Graeme Price, Michele Little, Nick Robertson, David Charles.

1. **Apologies for absence.** None.
2. **Johnnie Jackson update.** JJ gave a summary of what he has learnt over the course of the season and how it will affect planning for 2023-24. The issue of how to minimise injuries was also discussed.
3. **Craig Cope.** CC stated that the recruitment process is well underway. He is keen for some funds to go towards infrastructure to support players. He made a presentation which included sections on: sports science; potential transfers out of the club; types of players we want to recruit; use of statistics; principles of sending players on loan.
4. **Managing Director's report and questions.** DM advised the board on a number of areas including: ticketing systems preparation for ST launch; third floor development progressing gradually; second floor work ongoing; recruitment and staffing.
5. **Finance update with Laurie.** Management Accounts- LH presented the latest figures, with a brief commentary on key points which affect the playing budget. Cashflow- funds in the bank were discussed as well as debts management. 2023-24 budget- LH presented an update to the draft from January and the changes brought about by a number of factors. There was discussion about the ways in which the playing budget could be maximised.
6. **Finance committee.** There was a useful meeting between LH, KS, GP and ML on budgeting and targets for playing budget and debt repayment. This will now feed into LH's revised budget.
7. **Safeguarding including an update on Women and Girls.** There was an inspection of the Academy by the EFL recently.
8. **D & I.** Mandy Bynon's updates were noted.
9. **Risk register.** A volunteer will be sought to manage the process of keeping this up to date.
10. **Minutes of previous meeting for approval.** Minor amendments made.
11. **Non-Executive Directors.** The nominations committee has now been agreed and further work to be done.
12. **Date of next meeting.** Wednesday May 17th, to be confirmed.