

**Dulwich Hamlet Supporters' Trust**  
(Dulwich Hamlet Football Community Mutual Ltd)

**Board Meeting Minutes**

7.00 pm, 21 January, 2016

Venue – Football club boardroom, Champion Hill, London SE22.

**In attendance:** Jack Bagnall (JB), Alex Crane (AC), Duncan Hart (DH) Chair, Mel Hughes (MH), Mishi Morath (MM), Mark Panton (MP) Secretary, Dave Rogers (DR),

1. **Apologies for absence:** Andy Greig (AG), James Masini (JM), Darren McCreery, (DM), Vice-chair, Matt Purser (MPu), Fiona Scurlock (FS), Jack Spearman (JS)
  
2. **Last meeting's Minutes:** The Minutes from the last meeting on 26 November 2015 have already been uploaded to the website and therefore have been agreed. No objections were raised.

**MAIN ITEMS BY OBJECTIVE**

3. **DHFC has a secure long-term home in East Dulwich:**
  - 3.1 **Update on latest ground development plans.**  
No further updates.
  
4. **DHFC has an ownership model that involves supporters/community either fully or partly:**
  - 4.1 **IP and Matt Purser update on Business Plan for supporter owned club, including financial information and NDAs.** Meeting to be organised with HPG and other stakeholders.

MPu
  
  - 4.2 **Any other updates from Supporter Ownership group.**  
Valuing the work of DHST. Board members to input their time regularly. DR to set up media coverage page on the website that all Board members can add to. JB to assist with uploading material.

DR / JB
  
5. **DHFC as a transparent and well run football club:**

5.1 **Update on joint issues with the Football Committee.**

No further updates.

6. **DHFC has a growing Supporters Trust that communicates regularly with its members:**

6.1 **Merchandise, including Trust Mega Shed:**

6.1.1 **Change from Mega Shed to Mega Container.** Work is on-going. Window will be installed w/c 25/01. Plaques for those who have provided funding to be organised.

AC

6.1.2 **New merchandise ideas and involvement of football club + Running of Mega-shed and on-line merchandise.**

- Awaiting opening of Mega Container before ordering new stock / designs.
- 145 orders were taken on-line over the Christmas period.
- MH to investigate smaller items such as pens, pencils, rulers, stickers, etc., for when Mega Container opens.
- New merchandise website is due to be launched with Purple during February. This will be integrated with the DHST merchandise website.

MH / DR

6.1.3 **Replica shirts.**

New order of replica shirts is due mid-February.

6.2 **100 Club registration, objectives, use of funds and potential meeting of members in early 2016.** Meeting to be organised by MPu and IP.

MPu / IP

6.3 **Updating Trust website.** This will be uploaded to website by end of January.

JB / DR

6.4 **Software to automate membership joining processes.**

- MailChimp email message to be sent to all members who are due to renew from the start of February 2016 – membership has been extended to the end of February.
- Members that have joined after 30 June 2015 will have their membership extended to a year after they joined for free.
- Letter to be sent to all members with postal addresses only.
- DH will finalise the letter, Newsletter and website article.

6.5 **Membership renewal** – timing, pricing, membership cards, etc.

Membership cards to be produced, which will be issued from the Mega-shed to members that want one.

DR / All

6.6 **Contact from Southwark Council on community work.** See item 7.4.

6.7 **January newsletter.** Due to be sent out w/c 25 January.

JB / DR

**7. DHFC has strong links with its surrounding community:**

7.1 **On-going communications with local councillors / stakeholders.** Chair of Friends Green Dale is keen to meet. AC to liaise to agree a date a meeting.

AC / DH

7.2 **FARE.** (JS will collate together material that shows what we did for refugees and FARE will do a piece on their website about the work of the Trust and the Football Club). No Updates

7.3 **Calais Collection.** DR to check funding report is uploaded to website.

DR

7.4 **Plans for community initiatives.**

7.4.1 **Free tickets for schools.** A number of local schools have taken advantage of this offer from the Football Club, including St Anthony's, Oliver Goldsmith and Goodrich Primary. Trust will support with media. Article to go in Newsletter to ask Trust members for links to other local schools and community groups.

MM

7.4.2 **Kit Amnesty Day.** Will take place on 19 March v Burgess Hill. This has been organised with a DHFC supporter, Julian Chenery.

MM

7.4.3 **Refugee Fund Raiser and Awareness game on 2 March v FC Assyria.** Organised with Southwark Councillors Jasmine Ali and Michael Situ. All Funds will be split between Southwark Refugee Communities Forum and British Red Cross. UNISON will sponsor match-day costs. DHFC will cover all programme costs DHST agreed to be match-ball sponsors at cost of £35. On 24 February tickets will be sold for the game outside Southwark Council offices in Tooley Street, prior to a meeting. Trust to support and promote through media contacts.

MM

**7.4.3 Series of events organised after the play-off dates:**

6 May DHFC youth team and Aspire XI will be playing a team from FBB.

7 May supporters team v DHFC, followed by players presentations in the bar afterwards.

8 May Club XI v ex-players XI.

MM

7.5 **Community Council Newsletters.** AC has sent material to Dulwich, Peckham & Nunhead and Camberwell for their next newsletters.

AC

7.6 **Southwark Neighbourhood Fund.** Application made by AC. Results announced in March.

AC

**8 Trust governance and miscellaneous items**

8.1 Declaration of Expenses. Isaac to complete by email.

IP

8.2 Next Board meeting date: 25 February

**9. AOB**

9.1 Ground issues taken up with the football club by AC. Over-flowing toilets issue resolved, bins and door issues still to be resolved.

AC

9.2 Letter received from Bradford Park Avenue FC. MM to respond jointly on behalf of the Football Club and Trust. DH offered to assist.

MM

**End: 8.55.**