



TELFORD UNITED SUPPORTERS LIMITED

(AFC TELFORD UNITED SUPPORTERS' TRUST)

Resume of a meeting of the Society Board held on the
8th November 2006



1. PRESENT

A Goodwin (Chairman), D Barlow, S Bowyer, L Carter, T Edwards, D Embery, G Lloyd, S Lawley, J Martin, D Moore, D Morris and R Palin.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

S Massey and N Mears.

3. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on the 2006 (copies of which had been circulated) be confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

4. REPORT FROM AFC TELFORD UNITED – ACCOUNTS FOR 2005/6

(Messrs W Pryce, D Topping and I Tyrer were present for this item).

The Board received a presentation from AFC Telford United on this topic. The main feature was that, in the financial year, income and expenditure had been almost in balance. Members of the Board commended the Football Club on its financial management.

AFC TELFORD UNITED – OTHER MATTERS

5. Utilities

Members were informed that the Football Club was currently billed for other users (such as the Whitehouse Hotel) of electricity and water. As far as electricity was concerned, separate meters for the different users had been fitted, with a resultant lowering of the cost to the Football Club, and the situation was nearing resolution. A similar approach had been adopted in respect of water services.

6. Lee Moore

L Carter informed the Board that, despite speculation in a local newspaper, Tamworth were currently not prepared to sell this player.

7. Catering

The Board noted that the catering operation continued to grow, but that it was intended to keep it within the Football Club rather than set up a separate enterprise.

8. Finance/helping the management team

Arising from the previous meeting, L Carter informed the Board that, if the Football Club was promoted, significant additional income would be required. It was thought that about half of that would be self-generated, with the remaining half having to be met from new sources of income.

9. SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE

Lee Carter gave a presentation on this topic, and the Board noted the running costs and that the Club's badge would appear on the shirts of each team. As to the Trust's sponsorship, the Board felt the existing approval from the annual general meeting of December 2005 was sufficient, but noted that the item would appear on the agenda, which had already been printed for the forthcoming annual general meeting.

10. FUND-RAISING

This was dealt with at an informal session at the conclusion of the meeting.

11. LEARNING CENTRE/BUCK'S HEAD CORNER FLAG

The Board learned that the Corner Flag was due to open in three/four weeks, and that an application would be made for an alcohol licence.

12. BUCKS BUSINESS CLUB

J Martin had circulated a report that indicated a growth in membership and that the Club would be sponsoring a number of matches. **All members** were asked to put forward names of potential members.

13. RECYCLING COMPUTER CARTIDGES

The Board agreed in principle to proceed with this initiative, and to consider it in more detail at the next meeting.

14. FINAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Secretary reminded members of the timetable leading up to the meeting, and **A Goodwin** undertook to pursue the question of an independent person/body to carry out the count at the election.

17. COMMUNITY, CHILDREN'S AND WOMEN'S ISSUES

D Morris gave a report on the service-level agreement with the Borough Council, Enterprise Week, the Telford and Wrekin Challenge, and the participation of the Lord Silkin School in a competition for lottery funding.

18. THE TRUST'S ACCOUNTS FOR 2005/6

The Treasurer presented draft accounts for 2005/6.
RESOLVED that the accounts be approved for submission to the annual general meeting.

19. MEMBERSHIP STATISTICS

The Board received a report that indicated that current membership stood at 441 (117 members of Junior Bucks). Efforts were continuing to identify and make contact with subscribers to the standing-order scheme who had not become members of the Trust.

20. AWAY DAY

A Goodwin presented projected income and expenditure at different levels of support.

21. BEER FESTIVAL

A Goodwin presented projected income and expenditure at different levels of support. The involvement of Telford Lions was essential because of the number of volunteers they would be able to supply. However, the Lions would not be able to risk any funds on the initiative.

22. COMMERCIAL WORKING GROUP - REPORT

The Board received a report that covered the Learning Centre, sponsorship packages, the Bucks Business Club and the Walk of Hope.

23. SUPPORTERS DIRECT

The Chairman drew attention to letter from J Forster at Supporters Direct and to a letter from Sean Parrish. He also referred to the forthcoming election of members of the board of Supporters Direct.