

Minutes of the Chorley Supporters Trust meeting on Thursday 9th April 2015

1) **Apologies** were received from Fraser Hilton, Steve Parker, James Wilson, John Derbyshire.

2) **Minutes of the March meeting were read and accepted.**

3) **Matters arising:** there has been a total of £497 in donations from the "change box".Maureen expressed her thanks for the match hospitality prize.

4) Treasurer's report

Income

	£	
Golden Goal sales		306.00
50/50 draw commission		158.00
Merchandise Commission		8.00
Donations BACS		58.00
Fans' 200 club ticket		40.00
Pledges from fans		235.99
		805.99

Expenses

Golden Goal prize money		75.00
Donation to Crowdfunder Appeal		200.00
Trophies		3.00
Sundries-printing		8.00
		344.00

Situation of finances at 31/03/2015

<i>Lloyds/TSB a/c</i>			
Balance			3662.93
Less u/p cheques		8.00	
			3614.93
Add uncredited banking	31/3/2015	164.50	
			3779.43
<i>Co-op</i>			
Deposit account			1436.00
			5215.43

Summary

Bank balance last month	4753.44
Income	805.99
Expenses	(344.00)
Bank balance this month	5215.43

The report was approved.

A discussion on a) the number of matches Adam Roscoe had played, & b) the number of games Garry and Matt had managed resulted in ACTION –Paul Brennan to investigate for next meeting.

6) Membership report

There are currently 109 members (58 adults, 3 under 16's, and 48 over 60's).

A discussion was held on the issue of **membership fees** which currently include a concessionary rate, a multiple year rate and a lifetime rate.

It was agreed that the membership be consulted on the following proposal:

- All adult membership (16 years and over) should be £10 per year.
- Junior membership (under 16) should be £5 –or £1 if the junior joins with an adult family member.

Following the consultation, there will be a proposal to change the membership fee structure which will then be voted on.

Membership cards need to be ordered-it was agreed to get some quotations for them.

Recruitment of members: it was agreed that a leaflet should be produced to publicise the work of the CST and distributed at forthcoming games. Grenville Hartley volunteered to produce one.

ACTION –Jue Vass to organise the consultation process on fees and to investigate prices for membership cards.

ACTION – Grenville Hartley to write a publicity leaflet-deadline 17/4/2015

7) Updates

- **AGM**-(the Secretary) a notice to members regarding the meeting would be distributed shortly, either electronically, by post or by hand. Three members of the current Board had resigned as required by the Trust's rules. There were four remaining elected members plus one co-opted. There are potentially ten seats on the Board.

- **Leaflets** –these had been produced and distributed.

- **Events**

Previously organised events (St George's Quiz, Darts Night) were proceeding as planned. A Casino night was most likely to be held later in the year.

A Grand National sweepstake was being organised by J Vass, with profits donated to the Crowdfunder appeal.

End of season awards-it was agreed to purchase the traditional clock as a permanent memento for the Supporters' Player of the Year Award recipient.

- **Community**

The Marie Curie Daffodil appeal had raised £4-it was decided to increase the donation to £20 from Trust funds.

PROPOSED: Dave Perris, seconded: Eileen Hartley

PASSED

The Living Waters Food Bank collection point at CFC was acknowledged as important yet had been only moderately supported so far. It was agreed that a "re-launch" of the appeal would be a good idea for the 2015-16 season.

Grenville Hartley had investigated the details of a special container.

The CST team entered in the *Asda Foundation Pennine Lancashire 10K* run in Burnley on 28/6/2015, currently has 5 runners. Paul Brennan had contacted Jamie Vermiglio to see if CFC players would be interested in supporting/joining the team.

- **Magpie watch**

A code of conduct had been produced by the CST board. It is available for any member to look at; ask the Secretary.

10) Volunteers for match day tasks

50/50 sellers –L Fow, J Derbyshire, P Brennan, J Lynch
CST contact desk –Golden Girls-Rita, Maureen and Eileen.

13) Members' Draw

The winner of the draw was Mark Pye.
ACTION: J Vass to contact Mark.

13) Player of the Month-March

The winner was Sam Ashton.

14) AOB

- 200 Club tickets: it was agreed that if the CST tickets win any prize they will be auctioned on the night.
JP Lynch and J Vass will represent the CST at the 200 club dinner.
PASSED
- It was agreed to purchase a "Trust Flag" for display at away matches.
ACTION-J Vass to design and purchase a flag.
- Hand-held flags for supporters in home games –it was PROPOSED by Paul Brennan and seconded by Eileen Hartley that a budget of a maximum £250 be allocated for these flags with some being given away but the majority being paid for by donations (thereby recovering the majority of the costs).
PASSED
ACTION –J Derbyshire to get some quotations for the flags.
- Change of Date for CST meetings
A discussion was held on changing the dates of meetings from Thursdays to Wednesdays. It was felt that there were clashes with other activities which took place on Thursday evenings.
PROPOSED by Jue Vass, seconded by Graham Watkinson, that future CST meetings should be held on the first Wednesday of the month starting in July 2015, after the CST AGM.
PASSED

The next meeting of the CST board Tuesday 5th May at 7.30.
The next meeting of CST will be on Thursday 7th May at 8.00.