



## BWFC Supporters' Trust

# MEETING NOTES

**Subject:** BWFC & BWFCST Quarterly Meeting No 1  
**Venue:** University of Bolton Stadium  
**Meeting Date:** 05 Nov 2021 @ 10.00am  
**Present:**  
BWFC: Neil Hart (NH), Phil Mason (PM)  
BWFCST: Ian Bridge (IB), Mike Smith (MS), Shane Stopforth (SS), Maggie Tetlow (MT)

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### MINUTES

#### 1.0 Purpose of Meeting

The meeting is the first scheduled quarterly meeting between senior BWFC personnel and BWFCST board representatives as referenced in the joint Memorandum of Understanding signed by both parties in August 2021.

It was agreed that the quarterly meetings will be minuted with the purpose of making the notes available to trust affiliates and members once agreed between club and trust.

#### 2.0 Matters Arising

- a) **FanZone** was discussed and NH advised that recent discussions with Bolton Council were positive.
- i. It was also confirmed that there now needs to be more detail prepared for submission to the Council to allow approvals to be obtained. The FanZone project is to be discussed at the next SAG meeting on 10 Nov '21. Ben Cowcill (BWFC) will also contact the Council to confirm the exact requirements for submission for approval.
  - ii. Confirmation of first phase layout to front of Bolton Central to be prepared along with associated costings. The trust will progress with Aquila.
  - iii. Toilet facilities were discussed, and it was suggested that the Premier Suite toilets should be used. Even if set up for an evening event in the Premier Suite is in progress, the WCs could be easily made accessible.
- b) **Affiliates Questions** as collated by Martin Parnell (London Whites) were discussed, with subjects grouped under the following headings:
- i. FanZone
  - ii. Facilities
  - iii. Membership Scheme
  - iv. Crowd Behaviour
  - v. External
  - vi. Hotel
  - vii. Assistance
  - viii. Tickets
  - ix. Finances
  - x. Identity

Due to time constraints, not all questions were able to be discussed and answered, but a full list, together with the answers given, is available as a separate document.



- c) **Surveys** – subject for potential fan surveys (either trust member or open surveys) were discussed and it was suggested that a poll of supporters to gain views on FanZone facilities would be useful. Trust will progress.
- d) **BWFCST AGM** – provisionally scheduled for Thursday 27 January '22. Last year's AGM format was on zoom and included interviews with the manager (Ian Evatt) and the COO (Andy Gartside).

The next meeting will be held in person but will also be streamed live for those who aren't able to attend in person.

NH was asked if he will attend and agreed, subject to confirmation nearer the time.

3.0 Any Other Business

No further items were discussed.

4.0 Next quarterly meeting date

To be held on Friday 04 Feb '22

