

Nuneaton Town Supporters' Co-operative

1. Meeting opens 7.35pm on 7th May 2013 at Coton Liberal Club.
2. Present: Jim Astley, Jim Skuce, Dave Hall, Mark Mortlock, John Hobson, Pete Burdett, Ray Miller, Mike Turner, Martin Ball, and Roger Barnes.
Apologies: Ben Bruce and Andy Briggs.
3. The minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as a true and accurate record.

Action Plan

1. Distribute newsletter – all – Jim A said he would upload to website and email out to all members – done.
 2. Prepare for AGM – ongoing – extend nomination date and email to members – Jim A.
 3. Post SGM minutes on website – Jim A.
 4. Contact IN – Jim A – waiting to hear from IN.
 5. Roger investigate clock.
 6. Change paperwork/website to 'Nuneaton Town Supporters' Society Limited' – ongoing.
 7. Order membership cards – Dave.
 8. Investigate scoreboard – Mark.
4. Chairman's Report – John said that a couple of weeks ago, Jim A, Andy, Ben and himself had been invited to attend a meeting with Paul Roberts. Paul Roberts was a director of Ian Neale Construction Group Limited (INCG Ltd) before he left in April 2012. At this meeting Paul offered to sell the shares (seven per cent) he owned in INCG Ltd. Paul did ask that the amount be kept private for the time being. Following consultation with Supporters' Direct, the Co-Operative Board decided that while the opportunity to purchase the shares was an attractive one, the situation with regard to the other businesses in the INCG Ltd (as well as INCG Ltd itself) along with the cost of purchasing the shares (and what rights this would give the Co-Operative), it would not be a wise use of Co-Operative funds at this time.
Supporters' Direct advised, *"I think, on balance, there may be not a lot of practical benefit to your society which you have worked hard to achieve. The money in your bank account was raised from hard work and effort and if you bought 7% of a holding company with it, you'd get very little return."*
5. Secretary's Report – Jim A said that the Supporters' Direct 'Supporters' Summit' was on Saturday June 22nd. John said he would place an advert on the forums stating that the Co-Op would pay for four fans to attend if they so wished.
 6. Treasurer's Report – Ray said he had passed documentation onto Chris Peat, who had promised to prepare the accounts free of charge.
 7. 200 Club – Dave said the date for the next draw is to be Tuesday 28th May 2013.
 8. Scoreboard – Mark said he was waiting for some quotes to come in. Jim A said it was important to cost it first.
 9. AGM – Regarding membership fees, Dave proposed that adult membership is frozen and a life membership is added (£25 for over sixties). Roger seconded this proposal and it was carried unanimously (nine out of nine).
 10. Any other business
 - Jim A said he would contact Ian Neale and try to re-arrange a meeting.
 - Defibrillator – the Co-Operative agreed to purchase – discuss with Ian Neale.
 - Jim A said he had been contacted by Mark Grimes. Mark and Jim A had been organising a six-a-side tournament and were looking for an alternative venue. Mark had contacted Ian Neale and was waiting for a response.
 - Jim A said that Supporters' Direct Annual Fee had increased to £100. Mike proposed giving them an extra £100 after their help this year, Jim A seconded this proposal and it was carried unanimously (nine out of nine).
 - Ask the Club for Mark Noon's shirt (in line with our sponsorship deal).
 - Localism Act update – Mike said that it was supposedly an eight week process, and we had been waiting 10 weeks. Jim A said he would contact his friend at the Council and ask if it could be hurried along.
 - Player of the Year Event – John said it was disappointing nothing was organised and that next year we should look to work with the BISC to get something on. John said he would be prepared to collect money on a weekly basis throughout the season.
 11. Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, 28th May 2013 at Coton Liberal Club.
 12. Meeting ends at 8:30pm.

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2. Contact IN – Jim A – waiting to hear from IN.
3. Roger investigate clock.
4. Change paperwork/website to 'Nuneaton Town Supporters' Society Limited' – ongoing.
5. Mark investigate scoreboard.
6. Arrange day at SD Supporters' Summit.
7. Contact club and ask for Mark Noon's shirt.