**Carlisle United Supporters Club London Branch**

**Minutes of Meeting held via Zoom on 7th October 2021**

Meeting opened at 7:00 p.m.;

**Present**: Dave Brown (Chair), Terry McCarthy, Simon Clarkson, John Bowman, Howard Atkinson, Andrew Dobinson, Mike Carruthers, Ken Hullock, Paul Irving

**Apologies**: Peter Smithson

**1. Business of the meeting**

i. **September meeting** minutes were approved.

ii. **Record of committee decisions made via WhatsApp** since September meeting:

None this month

ii. **September action notes** reviewed. (**See the October Action Notes** which accompany these minutes). Key points:

* TM/JB to liaise and complete the draft diversity policy for November meeting
* Further chasing of membership non-renewers allocated to committee members.
* CUFC ladies team: **DB** to contact JG/TG to offer sponsorship of two matches and indicate that LB will take the 4 complimentary match tickets (to be used for the Barrow match).
* **SC** will organise Player of the Match presentations for both ladies team matches sponsored by LB.

**2. Reports**

Committee officer reports were received and reviewed.

**3. Agenda items**

**i. Sponsorship/Funding**

**The request from CUFC** relating to professional fees associated with new disabled facilities in the WRE was approved following discussion. **SC** to inform CUFC and ensure invoices are sent to AD for payment.

**The request from CUFC Acade**my for a Goal of the Match trophy was considered and it was agreed to allocate £50 for the purchase of a trophy. **Action SC/MC**. Academy GOTM for September 2021 was then selected by the committee as being the U14 goal (Bradley Colaluca).

**SC** to discuss a Player of the Month trophy with Academy (winner to be nominated by Academy coaches) with £50 available for the trophy.

**ii. Planning for Barrow Game**

HA/TM reported on a series of social events in Carlisle which have been arranged around the weekend of the Barrow match on 13th November. These will be publicised via Virtual HTB. **Action TM to send details to travel/ticket group and to KH for VHTB**

**iii. Twitter Account/Social Media**

Following discussion it was agreed that we should keep the branch Twitter account and endeavour to be more active on it. **Action:** **KH** has added himself and will add **DB**.

Branch WhatsApp group (managed by HA) to continue to be promoted (including ‘how to join’ info) in VHTB and in next HTB! **Action KH/JB**

**iv. Events**

**PI** updated progress on setting a London walking tour and attendance at the CSC Xmas Comedy Night on the 15th December. Once arrangements complete, to be promoted via Virtual HTB. Action **KH.**

**v. Online Shop**

**DB and KH** to discuss how an online shop can be provided on the website in time for sales from mid November.

**vi. Tickets and Travel**

No items not already covered. Next details going out will be Northampton.

**vii. Finance Update**

**AD** reported current position noting that there are no issues or concerns.

**Action AD** to remove the £500 being ringfenced for Carlisle ladies for increased travel expenses and not used.

**iv. Any other Business**

**1. Roma T-shirt** – Jane Jardine’s initial designs agreed to be excellent. **DB** to progress these and report to November meeting.

**2. Summer Trip 2022** – to be on November agenda. **Action DB**

**Date of next meeting:** 4th November via Zoom

There being no other business the meeting was closed by the Chair at 9.00