**Carlisle United Supporters Club London Branch**

**Meeting Minutes**

**held via Zoom on 20 May 2021**

The meeting was opened at 7.00 p.m.;

**Present**: Dave Brown (Chair), Paul Irving, Mike Carruthers, John Bowman, Howard Atkinson, Peter Smithson. Simon Clarkson, Andrew Dobinson,

**Apologies**: Terry McCarthy, Ken Hullock

**1. Business of the meeting**

i. April minutes were **approved**.

ii Record of decisions made via WhatsApp since last minuted meeting - None made.

iii. April action notes reviewed. (See the **May Action Notes** which accompany these minutes)

**Reports**

i. KH to carry out May 40 Club draw on his return from holiday **(KH)**

ii. **Agreed** that Finance Report will be taken first in future committee meetings **(DB)**

iii. AD confirmed that existing branch funding commitments are: £3,000 ring-fenced for Glass Bar project, Academy equipment purchase (CUFC will order this to arrive in late July when academy resumes) and up to £1,400 available for Disabled facilities planning project.

SC to establish CUFC timeline for Glass Bar project (**SC).**

DB to talk to Jamie G to establish what funding CUFC Ladies may request in any new application for 21/22 season. (**DB)**

iv. **Agreed**: AD to provide his financial report quarterly, rather than monthly basis, showing comparisons with same months/previous year. **(AD**) Monthly to provide an up to date “funds available for donation”

**Agenda items**

i. **Events** (SC/DB)

a. SC reported no response from Peter Murphy regarding a potential event

**b. Agreed** to aim for 4 online all fans events to be scheduled once the 21/22 fixtures are known.

c.DB to invite Richard Perry to attend July 1st committee meeting so that he can create 21/22 Branch Calendar, this to be an agenda item. **(DB**).

d. DB to investigate possible venue for branch event to watch England v Scotland Euro match on 18th June **(DB)**

ii. **AGM** (DB)

AGM to be held remotely – via Zoom on July 9th. Nigel Clibbens confirmed as guest. (**DB**) DB and KH to liaise on the dates needing communications to members.

iii. **Funding Applications (**SC**)**

**Agreed** the applications relating to **Brunton Bugle** (£250) and for **Murphy’s Bar** (ex. Sporting Inn) refurbishment (£1,000). SC to liaise with AD regarding payments. (**SC**). SC to ensure that LB support for Bar refurbishment is shown on the planned ‘sponsors board.’

The £1000 payment re Murphy’s Bar will be transferred from the ring fenced funding for the Glass Bar so that the results of this initial work can be assessed and the desire from other supporters groups and for corporate groups to provide similar support can be assessed. If the £1000 deducted from the Glass bar funds is subsequently needed, this will be subject to a further budget request to be debated (AD).

iv. **CUFC LB merchandise** (DB**)**

Reviewed JG list of merchandise he has in storage and agreed what can be disposed of and what needs to be given to DB for storage or distribution.

v. **June Social meeting** (DB**)**

Evening event on 10th June at Doggett’s Coat and Badge, Blackfriars Bridge. 24 places booked.

Agreed to write invitation aimed at non-members linking event to the Poster campaign and general post-COVID restart of activities. (**JB to draft for DB/SC approval)**

**Any Other Business**

i. **CUSG Diversity Policy** (TMcC)

To be agenda item at next meeting.

ii. **Eden Valley Hospice Lottery**

Agreed to purchase tickets to the value of £50. **(AD)**

iii. **Player Sponsorship (**SC)

Agreed to sponsor Magnus Norman for 21/22 season if invited to do so by CUFC (**SC)**

**Date of next meeting**: July 1st to enable impact of 24th fixture release

There being no other business the meeting was closed by the Chair at 9.15 p.m.