

Gloucester Football & Athletic Ground Company

Minutes of Directors' Regular Meetings; 7th June 1899 to 14th June 1979

(Part XI - 1971-1979)

1971

THE GLOUCESTER FOOTBALL & ATHLETIC GROUND COMPANY LIMITED

Minutes of a Meeting of the Directors held in the Committee Room of the Rugby Ground, Kingsholm Road, Gloucester, on Thursday, 14th October, 1971, at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Dr. A. Alcock
Mr. A. T. Voyce
Mr. F. D. H. Dawe
Rev. H. M. Hughes
Mr. N. H. B. Duncalfe
Mr. A. G. Hudson
Mr. K. Jackson (Secretary)

1. The Minutes of the Meetings held on the 19th November, 1970, and the 16th December, 1970, having been circulated were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
2. MATTERS ARISING:

Further to the Meeting of 16th December 1970, it was reported that the Club had now let the car park to the Gloucestershire County Council.
3. The Secretary was instructed to collect the outstanding rent and to pay the outstanding repair bills.
4. The accounts for the year to 31st August, 1971, were placed before the Meeting. The profit for the year was £146 and the surplus on the profit and loss account was £1,163 and it was resolved to recommend that this amount be carried forward. The Secretary was instructed to submit the accounts for annual audit.
5. Dr. Alcock tendered his resignation as Chairman of the Company. His proposition of Mr. Voyce for the position was seconded by Rev. Hughes and carried unanimously.

Mr. Voyce thanked Dr. Alcock most sincerely, on behalf of all the members of the Board, for his efforts for Gloucester Rugby over many years.

[Signed] A. T. Voyce

CHAIRMAN

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1972

THE GLOUCESTER FOOTBALL & ATHLETIC GROUND COMPANY LIMITED

Minutes of a Meeting of the Directors held in the Committee Room of the Rugby Ground, Kingsholm Road, Gloucester, on Thursday, 26th October, 1972, at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. A. T. Voyce.
Rev. H. M. Hughes
Mr. N. H. B. Duncalfe
Mr. A. G. Hudson
Mr. K. Jackson (Secretary)

Apologies: Dr. Alcock
Mr. F. D. H. Dawe

1. The Minutes of the Meeting held on the 14th October, 1971, having been circulated, were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
2. The Secretary was instructed to pay the outstanding repair bill to Gloucester and Bristol Roofing Co., Ltd.
3. The accounts for the year to 31st August, 1972, were placed before the meeting.

The loss for the year was £70 and the surplus on the profit and loss account was £1,093 and it was resolved to recommend that this amount be carried forward. The Secretary was instructed to submit the accounts for annual audit.

4. It was agreed to accept Mr. F. T. Foyle's Proposal that he be allowed to transfer his share to his son, David.
5. The Board wished to record their appreciation of the club's maintenance and improvement of spectators' facilities.

[Signed] A. T. Voyce

CHAIRMAN

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THE GLOUCESTER FOOTBALL & ATHLETIC GROUND COMPANY LIMITED

Minutes of a Meeting of the Directors held in the Committee Room of the Rugby Ground, Kingsholm Road, Gloucester, on Thursday, 14th December, 1972, at 8:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. A. T. Voyce.
Mr. A. G. Hudson.
Mr. F. D. H. Dawe.
Mr. K. Jackson. (Secretary)

It was resolved that the transfer of one share from Mr. F. T. Foyle to Mr. D. Foyle be approved and the new share certificate was sealed and signed.

[Signed] A. T. Voyce

CHAIRMAN

22 . 11 . 73.

1973

Minutes of a Meeting of the Directors held in the Social Club at Kingsholm on Thursday, 22nd November, 1973, at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. A. T. Voyce
Canon H. M. Hughes
Mr. A. G. Hudson
Mr. K. Jackson (Secretary)

Apology: Mr. N. H. B. Duncalfe

The Meeting stood and observed one minute's silence in memory of the two late Directors, Dr. A. Alcock and Mr. A. Hudson.

1. The Minutes of the Meetings held 26 October, 1972 and 14 December 1972 were approved, and signed by the Chairman.
2. The Secretary was instructed to pay the outstanding repair bill to Mr. Teague.
3. The accounts to 31 August, 1973 were placed before the Meeting.

The profit for the year was £48 and the surplus on the profit and loss account was £1,142 and it was resolved that this amount be carried forward. The Secretary was instructed to submit the accounts for annual audit.

[Signed] A. T. Voyce

5 Dec. 1974

1974

Minutes of a Meeting of the Directors held in the Social Club at Kingsholm on 21 February, 1974 at 8 p.m.

Present: Mr. A. T. Voyce
Canon H. M. Hughes
Mr. A. G. Hudson
Mr. K. Jackson (Secretary)

Apology: Mr. N. H. B. Duncalfe

1. The transfer of ten shares from the Executors of the late Mr. Arthur Hudson to Mr. Arthur Gordon Hudson was approved and the share certificate was duly sealed and signed.

[Signed] A. T. Voyce.

5 Dec. 1974

Minutes of a Meeting of the Directors held in the Social Club at Kingsholm on 5 December, 1974 at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. A. T. Voyce
A. G. Hudson
N. H. B. Duncalfe
K. Jackson (Sec)

1. The Minutes of the Meetings held 22 November 1973 and 21 February [1974] were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
2. The Secretary was instructed to pay the outstanding bill to the Club.
3. The Accounts to 31 August 1974 were placed before the Meeting. The surplus for the year was £24 and the amount remaining on the Profit & Loss Account £1142 and it was resolved that this amount be carried forward. the Secretary was instructed to submit the accounts for annual audit.
4. The transfer of twenty-one shares from the Executors of the late Dr. Arnold Alcock to Mr. Anthony Thomas Voyce, OBE, Trustee of the Gloucester Rugby Football Club was approved and the share certificate was duly sealed and signed.
5. The Annual General Meeting was fixed for 7:30 p.m. on 30 December 1974, at the Social Club.

[Signed] A. T. Voyce

13 Nov. 75.

1975

Minutes of a Meeting of the Directors held in the Social Club at Kingsholm on 13 November, 1975, at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Mr. A. T. Voyce
Mr. A. G. Hudson
Canon H. M. Hughes
Mr. K. Jackson (Secretary)

Apologies: Mr. F. D. H. Dawe
Mr. N. H. B. Duncalfe

1. The Minutes of the Meeting held 5 December, 1974 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
2. The transfer of 21 shares from A. T. Voyce to A. T. Voyce, S. T. Day, F. D. H. Dawe, and P. Ford as Trustees of Gloucester Rugby Football Club was approved and the share certificate was duly sealed and signed.
3. The transfer of 2 shares from Mrs. K. M. Meredith to I. J. F. Meredith was approved and the share certificate duly sealed and signed.
4. The accounts to 31 August, 1975 were placed before the meeting. The deficit for the year was £49 and the amount remaining on the Profit & Loss Account £1117 and it was resolved that this amount be carried forward. The Secretary was instructed to submit the accounts for annual audit.
5. The Annual General Meeting was fixed for 8 p.m. on 18 December, 1975, at the Social Club.

[Signed] A. T. Voyce

14 Oct. 76

Minutes of a Meeting of the Directors held following the AGM on 18 Dec. 75.

It was confirmed that the estimate obtained by the Club for building the Kingsholm Road Wall be accepted.

[Signed] A. T. Voyce

14 Oct. 76

1976

Minutes of a Meeting of the Directors held in the Social Club at Kingsholm on 14 October, 1976.

Present: Mr. A. T. Voyce
A. G. Hudson
F. D. H. Dawe
N. H. B. Duncalfe
Canon H. M. Hughes
Mr. K. Jackson (Secretary)

1. The Minutes of the Meetings held 13 November, 1975 and 18 December 1975 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.
2. The final account for rebuilding the wall was not yet to hand, but was understood to be in the region of £1,683 and it was agreed that this be paid and included in the accounts.
3. The accounts to 31 August, 1976 were placed before the meeting. The deficit for the year was £1,108 and the amount remaining on the Profit & Loss Account £9 and it was resolved that this amount be carried forward. The Secretary was instructed to submit the accounts for annual audit.
4. The Annual General Meeting was arranged for 8 p.m. on 16 December, 1976, at the Social Club.

[Signed] A. T. Voyce

10 . 11 . 77

1977

Minutes of a Meeting of the Directors held at Kingsholm on 10 November, 1977 at 8 p.m.

Present: Mr. A. T. Voyce; Canon H. M. Hughes
Mr. A. G. Hudson; Mr. N. H. B. Duncalfe
Mr. K. Jackson (Secretary)

Apology: Mr. F. D. H. Dawe

1. The Minutes of the meeting held 14 October, 1976 were read, confirmed, and signed by the Chairman.
2. It was reported that the New Wall was defective and that the builders had acknowledged liability. Mr. Hudson agreed to ask that rectification be expedited.
3. It was resolved that the Social Club be given permission to extend their premises.
4. The Company Seal was affixed to a document varying the rate of interest from 2% per annum to 6% per annum on the loan from the RFU to the Social Club and witnessed by Messrs. Voyce and Jackson.
5. The Accounts to 31 August 1977 were placed before the meeting.

The surplus for the year was £256 and the amount remaining in the Profit & Loss Account £265 and it was resolved that this amount be carried forward. The Secretary was instructed to submit the accounts for annual audit.
6. After general discussion, the Directors were pleased to note that the grounds appeared to be well maintained and of good appearance.
7. The Annual General Meeting was arranged for 8 p.m. on 8 December, 1977, at the Social Club.

[Signed] A. T. Voyce

9 Nov. 1978

1978

Minutes of a Meeting of the Directors held at Kingsholm on 9 November, 1978 at 8 p.m.

Present: Mr. A. T. Voyce, Mr. N. H. B. Duncalfe, Mr. F. D. H. Dawe, Mr. K. Jackson (Secretary).

Apologies: Mr. A. G. Hudson, Canon H. M. Hughes.

1. The Minutes of the meeting held 10 November, 1977 were read, confirmed, and signed by the Chairman.
2. It was reported that the Wall had been repointed.
3. It was agreed that the Social Club be congratulated on their improvements and the Rugby Club for their maintenance of the grounds.
4. The Secretary was instructed to write the Club for a report on the condition of the boundary fences with a view to Company making some contribution towards the cost of reinforcing the fences.
5. Concern was expressed with the appearance of the rear of the grandstand and the Secretary was instructed to advise the Club so and also ask if the Club can make some use of the space under the stand.
6. The Accounts to 31 August, 1978 were placed before the meeting.

The surplus for the year was £185 and the amount remaining on the Profit & Loss Account £450 and it was resolved that this amount be carried forward. The Secretary was instructed to submit the accounts for annual audit.

7. The Annual General Meeting was arranged for 8 p.m. on 7 December, 1978 at the Social Club.

[Signed] A. T. Voyce

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1979

Minutes of a Meeting of the Directors held at Kingsholm on 29 March, 1979.

Present: Mr. A. T. Voyce; Mr. A. G. Hudson; Mr. F. D. H. Dawe; Canon H. M. Hughes; Mr. N. H. B. Duncalfe; Mr. K. Jackson (Secretary).

In attendance: Mr. T. Tandy (Secretary, Rugby Club).

1. The Minutes of the Meeting held 9 November, 1978 were read, confirmed, and signed by the Chairman.
2. A letter from Sandoe & Son, offering £100 on behalf of Meccanids Ltd. for the freehold of a piece of land was discussed at length.

The major points to emerge:-

- (a) Freehold should not be sold
- (b) The sum of £100 was most unacceptable
- (c) The land was estimated at 500 square yards
- (d) Meccanids fencing was believe to cost £1,250 and would necessitate the Ground Co. doing the same, at a similar figure at least
- (e) Sale of all the land alongside the river would absolve us of our riparian liability
- (f) The County Council was to meet the Club regarding boundary fences

It was agreed that the Secretary reply that the offer was not acceptable as it stands, but leaving the door open for further negotiation; it would be possible to hold a meeting with Sando/Meccanids at the Social Club of an evening.

[Signed] H. M. Hughes

5 / Nov / 79

Minutes of a Meeting of the Directors held at Kingsholm on 14 June, 1979.

Present: Mr. A. T. Voyce
A. G. Hudson
F. D. H. Dawe
N. H. B. Duncalfe
Canon H. M. Hughes
Mr. K. Jackson (Secretary)

In attendance: Mr. T. Tandy (Secretary, Rugby Club).

D. Foyle (of Sandoe's, representing Meccanuids, Ltd.)

1. Details of Minute 2 of the last meeting were passed to all present, except Mr. Foyle.
2. Mr. Foyle made an offer of £1,000 for the freehold of the land under discussion, and this was rejected unanimously.
3. After much discussion, it was agreed that Meccanuids be offered a long lease of the land, at a nominal rent, provided that the Club should have use of the whole of this car park (both the part under the lease and that part on Meccanuid's land) during rugby matches. One other stipulation was that buildings should not be erected on this land.
4. Mr. Foyle stated he would discuss the matter with Meccanuids in the near future.

[Signed] H. M. Hughes.

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