

((HEREIN ATTACHMENT - NOTICE CALLING THE SIXTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OF THE GLOUCESTER FOOTBALL & ATHLETIC GROUND COMPANY LIMITED))

GLOUCESTER

Football & Athletic Ground

COMPANY, LIMITED.

81 Barton Street,
Gloucester,
Sept. 25th, 1897.

Notice is hereby given, - That the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the Registered Offices, the Oddfellows' Hall, Barton Street, on October 8th, at 7.30 p.m., for the purpose of considering the Accounts of the Company, Electing Directors and appointing Auditor.

By Order of the Board,

SIDNEY S. STARR,

Secretary.

THE GLOUCESTER

Football & Athletic Ground

Company Limited

SIXTH ANNUAL REPORT

TO BE PRESENTED TO THE

GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

TO BE HELD AT THE

COMPANY'S OFFICES

ODDFELLOWS' HALL, BARTON STREET

On FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8th, 1897

At 7.30 P.M. PRECISELY

DIRECTORS:

A. W. VEARS, CHAIRMAN,

CONWAY JONES	T. GURNEY
W. STOUT	C. H. DANCEY
G. CUMMINGS	D. REARDON
S. DAVIS	H. W. GRIMES (Representative of the Gloucester Football Club)

SIDNEY S. STARR, SECRETARY.

Directors' Report.

The Directors herewith beg to submit to the Shareholders of the Company a Balance Sheet for the past year ending August 31st, 1897.

The books of the Company have been audited by Mr. B. J. H. Coombs, and the Balance Sheet duly signed by him.

The Revenue Account shows a net profit of £158 10s. 3d. on the year. The Directors, therefore, beg to recommend the payment of a Dividend of 5 per cent., which will amount to £150, and to write off the balance, £8 10s 3d., towards General Depreciation.

The Field, which is now in excellent condition for all athletic purposes, has been more sought after this Summer for various entertainments than any season heretofore, and the earnings are an increase upon any previous year. In the coming Spring the Directors contemplate further improvements on the Pavilion side, in the shape of steps in the Bank, and other small alterations for increased accommodation, and look forward with confidence to the future prospects of the Company.

In accordance with the Articles of Association two of the Directors Messrs. A. W. Vears, and D. Reardon retire, and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Mr. B. J. H. Coombs, Auditor, also retires and offers himself for re-election.

By order of the Board,

SIDNEY S. STARR

Secretary.

The Gloucester Football & Athletic Ground Co., Limited

CAPITAL ACCOUNT.

	£	s	d	£	s	d		£	s	d	£	s	d				
Share Capital, 3000 Shares, at £1 each, fully paid				3000	0	0	Freehold Land, Football and Athletic Ground, Pavilion, Fences, Turnstiles, Roller, Machines, together with all Plant and Effects	6248	18	5							
Mortgage	2500	0	0				Less Amount carried to Depreciation Account										
New ditto	<u>500</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	3000	0	0	Account	£61	15	11							
Mortgage Interest due to August 31 st 1897				34	4	3	Less difference on additional Mortgage to August 31 st , 1897	<u>4</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>5</u>							
Balance from Revenue Account				158	10	3					57	7	6				
													6191	10	11		
							Cash at Bank				0	1	10				
							Petty Cash in Secretary's hands				<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>9</u>				
															1	3	7
				£	6192	14	6							£	6192	14	6

REVENUE ACCOUNT.

	£	s	d	£	s	d		£	s	d				
By Balance, 1896	61	15	11				To Interest, on Mortgages, less tax	102	9	8				
Less Amount carried to Depreciation Account	<u>61</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>11</u>				" Bank Charges	11	2	2				
Sundry Rents, Football Club, Fetes, Cricket Matches, Flower Shows, Circuses, Athletic Sports, Advertising Stations, &c.				440	9	2	" Secretary	20	0	0				
By Sale of Horse				4	0	0	" Office Rent	3	0	0				
Transfer Fees				0	6	0	" Auditor's Remuneration	1	1	0				
							" Rates and Taxes	69	9	4				
							" Repairs, Materials, Advertisements, &c.	24	9	4				
							" Printing and Postages	2	7	0				
							" Wages and Sundry Labour	38	2	9				
							" Horse	4	0	0				
							" New Footboards	4	6	2				
							" Law Costs	<u>5</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>6</u>				
								286	4	11				
							Disposable Balance	<u>158</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>3</u>				
				£	444	15	2				£	444	15	2

I have examined the Vouchers and found them and the Accounts correct,

September 16th, 1897.

B. J. H. COOMBS.

((HEREIN THE MINUTES OF A GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS - HELD ON
8TH OCTOBER 1897))

Annual General Meeting

of Shareholders held at the registered offices of the Company, 81 Barton Street,
October 8th, 1897.

Chairman Mr. A. W. Vears.

Notice of Meeting

having been read, the

Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting

were read and confirmed.

Report and Balance Sheet

The Chairman moved the adoption of the Report and Balance Sheet. Mr. Dancey seconded - carried. Both gentlemen spoke of the satisfaction it gave the Directors to recommend a 5% Dividend. Mr. Grimes and one or two others also address the meeting on the future bright prospects of the Company.

Re-election of Directors

Mr. Boughton proposed and Mr S. W. Bingle seconded the re-election of Messrs. Vears and Reardon - carried. Both Directors responded assuring the shareholders of their intention of doing all in their power for the future welfare of the Company.

Election of Auditor

Mr. B. J. H. Coombs was re-elected Auditor on the proposition of Mr. Samuel Davies, seconded by Mr. Bramham; fee 21/- as before.

Vote of Thanks to Directors

Mr. William Dancey proposed and Mr. W. C. Bailey seconded a Vote of Thanks to the Directors for their services during the passed year. Carried. Mr. Vears in acknowledging same, promised the whole Board would again do their level best in the interest of the Company.

[Signed] A. W. Vears

((IN HERE - ATTACHMENT - EXTRACT FROM THE GLOUCESTER CITIZEN, PROBABLY OF 9 OCTOBER 1897))

GLOUCESTER FOOTBALL & ATHLETIC GROUND COMPANY.

MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS.

The general meeting of the shareholders in the Gloucester Football and Athletic Ground Co. Ltd., was held at the Company's offices on Friday. Mr. A. W. Vears presided, other directors present being Messrs. W. Stout, S. Davis, C. H. Dancey, D. Reardon, and H. W. Grimes (representative of the Gloucester F.C.). Mr. H. J. Boughton, solicitor, and Mr. S. S. Starr, secretary, were also present. There was only a small attendance of shareholders. After the notice convening the meeting had been read Mr. Vears moved the adoption of the balance sheet (which has already been published), and referred with satisfaction to the fact that the Football Club had acquired 100 shares in the Company. The Chairman also added a word of appreciation for the secretary, and said the auditor told him it was a pleasure to audit the books. Mr. C. H. Dancey seconded. Mr. H. W. Grimes also spoke, and expressed the satisfaction of the committee of the Football Club at the manner in which they were met by the Directors. He hoped that at the end of the season they would be able to augment their holding. The proposition was unanimously agreed to.

Mr. C. H. Dancey then took the chair, and the election of directors and auditor were proceeded with. Mr. J. H. Boughton proposed, and Mr. S. J. Bingle seconded, the re-election of the retiring directors, Messrs. Vears, and D. Reardon, and after some complimentary remarks this was agreed to. Both gentlemen subsequently returned thanks. Mr. B. J. H. Coombs was also re-elected to the position of auditor, on the motion of Mr. S. Davis, seconded by Mr. Bramham. Mr. W. Dancey proposed a vote of thanks to the Directors for their services. Mr. W. C. Bailey seconded, and the motion was unanimously passed. Mr. Vears returned thanks on behalf of his brother Directors and himself, promising to do their level best to promote the interests of the Company.

The meeting then terminated.