

((HEREIN ATTACHMENT - NOTICE CALLING THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE GLOUCESTER FOOTBALL & ATHLETIC GROUND CO., LTD.))

**GLOUCESTER**

*Football & Athletic Ground*

COMPANY, LIMITED.

92 NORTHGATE,

GLOUCESTER,

October 1<sup>st</sup>, 1908.

*Notice is hereby given*, - That the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders will be held at the New Inn Hotel, Northgate Street, Gloucester, on Monday October 12<sup>th</sup>, 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**

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THE

**Seventeenth Annual Report**

TO BE PRESENTED TO THE  
**GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS**

TO BE HELD AT THE  
NEW INN HOTEL, NORTHGATE STREET,  
**GLOUCESTER,**

***On MONDAY, OCTOBER 12<sup>th</sup>, 1908,***

**At 7.30 P.M. PRECISELY.**

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DIRECTORS:

A. W. VEARS, CHAIRMAN.

H. J. BERRY	S. DAVIS
S. W. BINGLE	C. H. DANCEY
F. H. BRETHERTON	F. W. LOVESY
C. E. BROWN	HARRY A. DANCEY

Representative of the  
Gloucester Football Club

H. W. GRIMES, Solicitor

SIDNEY S. STARR, Secretary

*Directors' Report.*

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The Directors herewith beg to submit to the Shareholders of the Company a Balance Sheet for the past year, ending August 31<sup>st</sup>, 1908.

The Books of the Company have been audited and all vouchers examined by Mr. J. E. Dutton, and the Balance Sheet duly signed by him.

The Revenue Account shows a nett profit of £206 4s. 8d. on the year. The Directors, therefore, recommend the payment of a Dividend of 5 per cent. per annum, which will amount to £157 10s. on the 3,150 Shares, and to write off £48 14s. 8d. towards general depreciation.

In accordance with the Articles of Association, three of the Directors, Messrs. H. J. Berry, C. E. Brown, and F. W. Lovesy retire, and being eligible offer themselves for re-election.

Mr. J. E. Dutton, Auditor, also retires and offers himself for re-election.

It is with extreme regret the Directors have to announce the retirement of Mr. T. A. Washbourn from the Directorate, owing to ill-health; not only is Mr. Washbourn very largely interested in the Company, financially, but his loss from the Board will be felt the more because of his genial temperament, and his businesslike qualifications, all of which were much appreciated by his co-Directors, whose sincere wish it is that he may speedily be restored to health.

Mr. S. W. Bingle, who has had many years' experience with the Football Club, has been elected to fill the vacancy on the Board.

The Directors are pleased to report that the field of play and the ground generally was never in better condition than it is at present.

By order of the Board,

SIDNEY S. STARR,

*Secretary.*



((HEREIN THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS HELD AT THE NEW INN HOTEL, MONDAY, OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup>, 1908))

### Annual General Meeting of Shareholders

held at the New Inn Hotel, Monday October 12<sup>th</sup> 1908.

Mr. A. W. Vears presided.

### Notice of this Meeting

having been read, the

### Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting of Shareholders

were read and confirmed.

### Sale of Unused Land

In reply to Mr. W. J. Arnold the Chairman stated the Directors were still open to negotiate for sale of the unused parts and were in communication with the Local Education authority re. a site for a School.

### Report and Balance Sheet

The Chairman moved the adoption of the Report and Balance Sheet. This was seconded by Mr. C. H. Dancey and carried.

### Re-Election of Directors

Mr. Jno. Jennings proposed and Mr. P Grant seconded the re-election of Messrs. H. J. Berry, C. E. Brown, and F. W. Lovesy as Directors. Carried.

### Auditor

Mr. J. E. Dutton was re-appointed Auditor at the usual remuneration on the proposition of Mr. W. J. Arnold, seconded by Mr. W. J. Robinson.

Vote of Thanks to Directors and Secretary

A vote of thanks to the Directors and the Secretary concluded the meeting.

[Signed] A. W. Vears.

((HEREIN ATTACHMENT - EXTRACT FROM UNKNOWN PERIODICAL - DATE UNKNOWN))

**Gloucester Football and Athletic Ground Co., Ltd.**

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of shareholders of the above Company was held at the New Inn Hotel on Monday evening, when there were present Messrs. A. W. Vears (chairman), H. J. Berry, S. W. Bingle, F. H. Bretherton, C. E. Brown, S. Davis, C. H. Dancey, F. W. Lovesy, and Harry A. Dancey (directors), J. E. Dutton (auditor), W. J. Robinson, P. Grant, W. J. Arnold, W. C. Watkins, and J. Jennings (shareholders), and Sidney S. Starr (secretary). The Chairman read an apology for non-attendance from Mr. W. W. [sic] Dancey, the Company's agent.

The Secretary having read the minutes of last year's annual general meeting, Mr. Arnold inquired what steps had been taken with regard to disposing of the unused portion of the Kingsholm ground. The Chairman, in reply, stated that the Directors had the matter still in hand. There was every probability that a new elementary school would have to be built in the district, and the Directors had been in communication with the Education Authority with a view to disposing of a portion of the site for the proposed school.

The Chairman, in proposing the adoption of the report and balance sheet (which has already been published), pointed out that the receipts were a little more and that the expenses had been reduced to the lowest possible point. Mr. C. H. Dancey seconded, and the report and balance sheet were adopted.

Mr. J. Jennings proposed and Mr. P. Grant seconded the re-election of Messrs. H. J. Berry, C. E. Brown, and F. W. Lovesy as directors, and the resolution was carried. Mr. J. E. Dutton was re-elected auditor on the proposition of Mr. W. J. Arnold, seconded by Mr. W. J. Robinson.

The Chairman made sympathetic allusion to the retirement of Mr. T. A. Washbourn from the directorate owing to ill health, and a general hope was expressed he would soon be restored to health.

Mr. W. C. Watkins proposed a vote of thanks to the directors, and Mr. Arnold seconded. Both expressed themselves well satisfied with the result of the year's working.

The Chairman proposed a vote of thanks to the secretary, and the Mayor, in seconding, said he was convinced Mr. Starr saved the Company every penny he could, or they would not be able to run the concern so economically. Suitable reply was made.

((ATTACHMENT - SIMILAR TO ABOVE - EXTRACT TAKEN FROM UNIDENTIFIED  
NEWSPAPER - DATE UNKNOWN))

### **FOOTBALL AND ATHLETIC GROUND CO., LTD.**

The annual general meeting of the shareholders in the above company was held at the New Inn Hotel, Gloucester, on Monday night. Mr. A. W. Vears (chairman of directors) presided, and there were also present the Mayor (Mr. F. H. Bretherton), and Messrs. S. W. Bingle, C. E. Brown, S. Davis, C. H. Dancey, F. W. Lovesy, H. A. Dancey, and H. J. Berry (directors), W. C. Watkins, P. Grant, W. J. Robinson, J. Jennings, W. J. Arnold, J. E. Dutton (auditor).

In reply to Mr. Arnold, the Chairman said nothing had been definitely settled with regard to the suggested sale of the unused portion of the football ground, but negotiations were in progress.

The Secretary added that there was a probability of the Education Committee requiring a piece of land for the erection of a school in the Kingsholm district, and he (Mr. Starr) wrote to the secretary of the Committee, and the matter was under consideration.

In moving the adoption of the report and balance sheet, which have already appeared in these columns, and which recommended a dividend at the rate of 5 per cent., the Chairman said the directors regretted the retirement of Mr. T. A. Washbourn from the board, owing to ill-health, but welcomed Mr. S. W. Bingle, who had been elected to the vacancy.

Mr. Arnold was of opinion that a few little repairs were needed to the standing in front of the pavilion. If these were carried out at once, the company might save a heavier expense later on.

The Secretary remarked that the stand was inspected almost weekly, and any loose or worn-out board replaced.

Mr. C. H. Dancey seconded the adoption of the report, which was carried.

On the motion of Mr. Jennings, seconded by Mr. Grant, Messrs. H. J. Berry, C. E. Brown, and F. W. Lovesy were re-elected directors; and Mr. Dutton was re-appointed auditor, on the proposition of Mr. Jennings, seconded by Mr. Arnold.

In acknowledging his re-election, Mr. Dutton paid a high compliment to the secretary for the admirable manner in which he kept the books, and the strict economy he exercised.

A vote of thanks to the directors and secretary terminated the meeting.