

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

**GLOUCESTER**

*Football & Athletic Ground*

COMPANY LIMITED

81 Barton Street,  
Gloucester,  
Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1894.

*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 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**

*Football & Athletic Ground*

*Company Limited*

**THIRD 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 12, 1894

**At 7.30 P.M. PRECISELY**

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DIRECTORS:

A. W. VEARS, Chairman,

A. WOODWARD

T. GURNEY

A. V. HATTON

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 beg to submit to the Shareholders of the Company a balance-sheet for the past year, ending August 31<sup>st</sup>, 1894.

The books of the Company have been audited by Mr. B. J. H. Coombs, and the balance-sheet signed by him.

The Revenue Account shows a disposable balance of £79 4s 5d on the year. The Director's, therefore, recommend the payment of a dividend of 2½ per cent., which will amount to £75, and to write off the balance £4 4s 5d., towards general depreciation.

The income this year has been considerably minimised by the endeavours of the Directors to carry out the principle on which the Company was formed, viz., to foster and promote Athletic Sports generally; consequently several valuable offers for the ground during July and early August for other entertainments were declined, but, with past experience, it will be the duty of the Directors to consider the desirability of continuing this policy in the future.

In accordance with the Articles of the Association two of the Directors, Messrs. A. Woodward and A. W. Vears (the Chairman), and the Auditor, Mr. B. H. J. Coombs, retire.

Mr. A. Woodward, from pressure of other business, declines to offer himself for re-election, and the Directors regret the loss of Mr. Woodward's valuable assistance on the Board.

Mr. A. W. Vears again offers himself for re-election, and the Directors beg to recommend the election of Mr. Conway Jones, vice Mr. A. Woodward, resigned.

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

By order of the Board

SIDNEY S. STARR

Secretary

*The Gloucester Football & Athletic Ground Co., Limited*

### CAPITAL ACCOUNT

#### LIABILITIES

#### ASSETS

			£	s	d	£	s	d				£	s	d	£	s	d
Share Capital, 3000 Shares, at £1 each,			3000	0	0	Freehold Land, Football and Athletic Ground, Pavilion, Fences, Turnstiles, Roller, Machines, together with all Plant and Effects			6277	18	8						
Mortgage			2500	0	0	Less Amount carried to General Depreciation Account			9	15	3						
Creditors, Capital and Counties' Bank	667	18	8			" Amount over-debited to Mortgage Interest Account to August 31, 1893			5	12	3						
Mortgage Interest to August 31 <sup>st</sup> 1894	<u>29</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>10</u>						15	7	6						
Balance of Revenue Account			79	4	5												
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### REVENUE ACCOUNT

			£	s	d				£	s	d
By Balance from 1893			159	15	3	To one year's Interest, on Mortgage, less tax			97	5	10
Less Dividends paid to Aug 31, 1893	150	0	0			Bank charges			32	7	5
" Amount carried to Depreciation Account	<u>9</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>3</u>			Secretary's Salary			20	0	0
			159	15	3	Rent of Office			3	0	0
Sundry Rents, Football, Cricket, Athletic Clubs, Fêtes, Advertising Stations, Grazings, &c.			384	16	6	Auditor's Remuneration			2	2	0
Sale of Horse			4	0	0	Rates and Taxes			68	13	6
Transfer Fees			1	5	0	Printing, Postage, Materials and Sundries			25	16	10
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((HEREIN THE MINUTES OF A GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS - HELD ON  
12<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 1894))

October 12 1894

General Meeting

of Shareholders held at the registered office of the Company, 81 Barton Street,  
Gloucester.

Mr. A. W. Vears in the Chair.

Notice of meeting

having been read, the

Minutes of last general meeting

were also read and confirmed.

Report and Balance Sheet

The Chairman went fully into the details of the Balance Sheet explaining the reason of difference of several items as compared with previous years and moved its adoption which was seconded by Mr. Reardon and carried.

Directors

Mr. Hatton proposed the re-election of Mr. Vears as a Director alluding to the valuable service he had rendered to the Company. Mr. Dancey seconded also remarked that the Shareholders had no conception of the amount of work and attention Mr. Vears had given to the Company's affairs since its formation. He had attended no less than seventy formal summoned meetings of Directors, to say nothing of the dozens of informal and sub committee meetings. Mr. Hatton put the proposition which was carried unanimously. Mr. Woodward then addressed the meeting stating his sole reason for retiring from the directorate was his inability to attend to the duties, owing to his time being so much taken up in discharging his duty in other public offices. He therefore had much pleasure in proposing Mr. Conway Jones as a Director, Mr Cummings seconded. Carried.

Auditor

The Chairman moved the re-election of Mr. Coombs as Auditor, at the remuneration of 21/- s. Mr. W. C. Bailey seconded. Carried.

The Meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

[Signed] A. W. Vears

((IN HERE - ATTACHMENT - UNDATED EXTRACT FROM 'THE CITIZEN' NEWSPAPER))

GLOUCESTER FOOTBALL AND ATHLETIC  
GROUND COMPANY, LIMITED.

A general meeting of the shareholders of the above Company, was held at the Company's Offices, Oddfellows' Hall, Barton-street, Gloucester, on Friday night, Mr. A. W. Vears, chairman, presiding. Among others present were Messrs. A. Woodward, A. V. Hatton, G. Cummings, T. Gurney, C. H. Dancey, D. Reardon, and H. W. Grimes, directors, with Mr. Sidney S. Starr, secretary, and Mr. J. H. J. Boughton, solicitor to the Company, the Rev. J. H. Seabrook, and Messrs. W. Clutterbuck, C. Bailey, J. Buchanan, J. P. Moore, F. McCrea, D. Lane, H. A. Dancey, J. Williams, &c. The directors' report, which we had previously published, recommended the payment of a dividend of 2½ per cent., absorbing £75, and leaving a balance of £4 4s. 5d. to be written off towards general depreciation. The Chairman, in moving the adoption of the report, briefly commented upon the Company's accounts. Taking the income side of the revenue account he said they would observe a falling off of £38 14s. 6d. from last year's balance-sheet. A small proportion of that, about £8 odd, was attributable to the non-renewal of the leases of the spaces for advertising upon the fence bordering Kingsholm, but the directors had taken that matter into consideration and had revised their charges, so that they were hopeful that in the future the spaces referred to would be a profitable source of income. Another more serious cause for the falling off of the income for the year was the non-letting of the ground. The failure of the Gloucester Athletic Club to hold their annual sports this year at Kingsholm was a very regrettable circumstance. There never was any reason why those sports should not have been held, and the Company's directors had the satisfaction of knowing that everything that could be done on their part to make it convenient for the holding of the athletic meeting in question had been done, and they had nothing whatever to reproach themselves with. (Hear, hear). On the expenditure side of the accounts there was an increase of £28 5s. 9d. over that of last year, and that was accounted for by an increase of rates, bank charges, and desirable alterations effected on the ground.

Mr. Reardon, as the biggest shareholder, seconded the adoption of the report, which was carried unanimously.

A short discussion followed on the question of the increase of rates, and it was pointed out by the secretary that the authorities had been approached and the matter fought out, with a view to abatement, whenever an increase had been charged.

In accordance with the articles of the Association two of the directors, Messrs. A. Woodward and A. W. Vears, and the auditor, Mr. B. H. J. Coombs, retired. Mr. A. Woodward, from pressure of other business, declined to offer himself for re-election. A warm expression of regret was passed at the loss the Board sustained by the resignation of Mr. Woodward, and Mr. Hatton, in proposing the re-election of Mr. Vears, referred to the valuable assistance that gentleman had always been to the Company. Mr. C. H. Dancey seconded the nomination, which was carried with acclamation, and the Chairman suitably replied. Mr. Woodward proposed the election of Mr. Conway Jones to fill the vacancy caused

by his retirement, and this was seconded by Mr. Cummings and carried *nem. con.* Mr. Coombs was re-elected auditor at a remuneration of one guinea.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman concluded the meeting.