

# **MIDSOMER NORTON RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB LIMITED**

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## **MINUTES OF GENERAL COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 6<sup>th</sup> Sept 2021**

### **1. Present:**

Hugh Jeffery (HJ), Martin Blackmore (MB), Alex Davis (AD), John Swift (JS), Christopher Barlow (CB), Alan Nash (AN), Ian Tiley (IT), Nigel Rowles (NR), Steve Blackmore (SB), Adrian Rideout (AR), Tom Rideout (TR), Robin Browning (RB), Joe Knight (JK), Tyron Dallimore (TD)

### **2. Apologies:**

Mathew Denning (MD), Tom Fear (TF), Jacob Mattick (JM), Andrew Parker (AP),

### **3. Actions arising from previous minutes**

1. It was **AGREED** that the subject of mental health and the club's policy towards the subject would be carried forward to a later meeting
2. It was **AGREED** that **AD** would set up a sub-committee to manage all online and written social media content connected with the club.
3. It was **AGREED** that Bob Porter and Bob Browning would be included in the list of new Life Membership honours. It was also **AGREED** that **RB** and **IT** would arrange for the five new names of LMs would be added to the honours board.
4. It was **AGREED** that **SB** and **TR** would further review the EPOS system including a meeting with Zenith at the club. It was **AGREED** that the details of all current issues with the system would be sent to **TR** asap. A report will be given at the next meeting.

### **4. Treasurer's Report:**

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**RB** also gave a more detailed account of the **monthly movement summary**. This document will be made available each meeting. It was **AGREED** that this report would be very useful in the ongoing management and planning of the club's finances. The meeting thanked **RB** for this new insight.

**RB** informed the meeting that the purchase of the land was proceeding as previously agreed and an update would be given at the next meeting.

### **5. Chairman's Report**

**AD** informed the meeting that the last few weeks had been very busy and that he was delighted with the positive attitude of the committee and general membership.

**AD** informed the meeting that the refurbished club house was almost completed and that the almost all of the furniture would be in place prior to the first home game of the season (11<sup>th</sup> September).

It was **AGREED** that Martyn Cook would be offered free membership for the 2021/22 season for his significant help with the club house refurb.

**AD** informed the meeting that the Licencing process was back on track and that the new CCTV system was likely to cost in the region of £3,500

## **6. Senior Section Report**

**MB** read out a report from **TF** in his absence. The following is a summary of this report: -

- First game of the season a win at Cheltenham by 72 points to 23. Great positive match where we showed great strength in the set piece. Most tries scored from our lineout and maul dominance.
- Special mention for Harry Smith, Kieran Beeho and Henry Mclachlan, playing well and showing our youth development and coaching are working well.
- Dave Sawkins suffered a dislocated shoulder and was taken to A&E. He is recovering well and will be back playing asap.

**MB** informed the meeting that the Colts would in future train on a Thursday night prior to senior training and that the age eligible players would then amalgamate with the senior's session.

**IT** informed the meeting that the 3rds would be boosted by the return of previous seasons Colts to the club.

It was **AGREED** that **AD** would liaise with **MB** and **TF** about booking the Astro turf facilities for Dec/Jan.

## **7. Junior Section Report**

**JS** informed the meeting that Sunday training was going well and the numbers attending was excellent. There is however a shortage of year 8 players and therefor JS is arranging for visits to the local schools to help build relationships with pupils and teachers.

**JS** is arranging a year 8 competition for later in the year.

## **8. Bar & Entertainments Report**

It was **AGREED** that the bar prices would be adjusted, and that **CB** would ensure that the till will be adjusted ready for **Sept 11<sup>th</sup>**.

**IT** informed the meeting that a quiz night had been arranged for 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct. More details will be given at the next meeting.

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## **9. G Fuller Appeal**

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## **10. New Grounds Team**

Several members have offered to help with grounds and club house upkeep. **Joe Button** will be responsible for the cutting of the grass with **Adrian Rideout** looking after the pitch markings. **Jacob Mattick** will assist when fully recovered from his recent op.

It was **AGREED** that **AD** would produce a job spec for a cleaner and laundry person and then this would be advertised within and outside of the club.

It was **AGREED** that team captains would be responsible for ensuring that the changing rooms were both tidy and swept clean post matches.

It was **AGREED** that the alarm setting prior the Pole Fitness sessions would be organised by **JS**.

It was **AGREED** that the new flags and post protectors would be in situ for the first game of the season on 11<sup>th</sup> Sept.

There was some concern expressed in connection with the new 2<sup>nd</sup> team pitch goal posts and it was **AGREED** to review the use at the next meeting.

## **11. Upcoming Events**

25<sup>th</sup> September, Parfanon would be providing post-match entertainment.

9<sup>th</sup> October Old players etc event. It was **AGREED** that **NR** and **AN** would sort a buffet lunch.

## **12. A.O.B**

It was **AGREED** that **RB** would set up BACs payments for the 200 club winners and that **AD** would become a cheque signatory and that Neil Denning would be removed.

It was **AGREED** that **AR** would sort out the external signage issues.

It was **AGREED** that **JS** would organise the workings of the scoreboard on match days.

It was **AGREED** that **NR** would continue to be the welcoming face of MNRFC for our visiting officials and supporters.

It was **AGREED** that **JK** would review the current showers and report back about options for upgrades or replacements.

Meeting closed at: **9:24pm**

Date of Next Meeting: **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October 7:30 pm**