**Those Present**

Michael McGilligan, Elaine Overington, Peter Baker, Bryn Panther, Mandy Martin, Rebecca Hodgson, Bernard Owen, Chris Sheldon, Colin Ackroyd, John Gill, Mike Lonergan, Diane Sutton, Ray Sutton, Danny Holloway, Tim Turner, Lisa Hardy, Richard Burton, Richard Martin, Tim Wright, Claire Booth, Robi Gyorky, David Owen, Jan Turner, Shane Bussi

1. **Apologies for Absence**

Simon Charman, Carole Charman, Donald Preston, Judith Packer, Ian Etherington, David Gill, John Maher

1. **Minutes of Last AGM 14 October 2021**

The minutes of this AGM were accepted by those present as accurate and correct except for Q5 and Q6 from the floor. The question was recorded as:

Q5 Is there any tax liability with Horsham Football Club?

A5 There is no tax liability as money was split between Horsham District Council and ourselves.

Q6 What happened to the trophies in the cabinet?

A6 These were sold due to the club requiring funding in 2017. The sections were informed, but this was

questioned.

**Matters Arising from the minutes.**

Question 5 should have been recorded as follows:

Q5 What has happened to monies that were supposed to be made available to the club by HFC?

Is there any tax liability with Horsham Football Club?

A5 We were unable to get a definitive answer from HFC, but the figure is expected to be in the range of £60,000.

We are in discussions with HDC and HFC to get a clearer picture.

Q6 What happened to the trophies in the cabinet?

A6 These were sold due to the club requiring funding in 2017. We did investigate how much money was made from the sale and how was the money used. Ian Etherington, the previous Treasurer, was asked but it took place before he become Treasurer. We have investigated but unfortunately we haven’t been able to find out what happened to the money.

1. **Presentation and adoption of Club Accounts 2021**

The club accounts (copies of which were distributed to members during the meeting) were presented by Peter Baker

1. **Changes to the number of members of the Executive**

This requires changing the Constitution of the Club and as such can only be done at a General Meeting of the Club.

The proposal is to change the number of executive members from 9 to 5 and reducing the Quorum from 5 to 3

Questions from the floor

What is the quorum?

Dave Owen pointed out that we are unable to vote as the whole constitution needs to be shown with the proposed changes.

It was suggested that we have an EMG on the topic.

Colin Ackroyd said that this should be promoted as a positive idea.

Question: could the changes be sent to all via email?

It was proposed that an EGM be held on the Reduction in board members to include the necessary changes to the Constitution. Notice for the EGM to be sent to all within 28 days.

Proposed Tim Turner

Seconded Dave Owen

1. **Election to the Executive Committee**

In accordance with Rule 9.1(a) Shane Bussi and Judith Packer retired from the Executive Committee.

The following members offered themselves for election to the Executive Committee roles:

Club Chairman: Michael McGilligan

Proposed Dave Owen

Seconded Diane Sutton

Club Treasurer: Peter Baker

Proposed Dave Owen

Seconded Danny Holloway

Club Deputy Chairman: Bryn Panther

Proposed Dave Owen

Seconded Diane Sutton

Members’ Representatives: Elaine Overington, Rebecca Hodgson

Proposed Dave Owen

Seconded Diane Sutton

The appointment of these committee members were proposed “en bloc” by Danny Holloway and seconded by Brian Howlett

1. **Appointment of Club Accountants**

Kreston Reeves are the club’s current accountants. The executive committee seeks approval from the general membership to re-appoint Kreston Reeves as accountants for the 2021 financial year.

1. **Questions from the floor were taken by the Executive Committee**

The Executive committee offered thanks to Mandy and her team for the excellent work done in turning round the financial situation of the Holbrook club. This was met with unanimous approval from the floor.

Thanks to Executive committee for their work was called for from the floor and accepted with general approval.

Q1 What are the plans for the Kitchen?

A1 Programme of Works, list of criteria to be completed before we can plan for opening, gas check, deep clean, etc. The costs of opening the Kitchen are very large especially when we don’t have anyone to run the kitchen. The kitchen may be able to be outsourced, but this will need to be reviewed by Horsham Football Club.

Q2 Lack of draught ale is causing members to leave, can anything be done about this? And what criteria would be needed to bring back ale on draught?

A2 The problem is we cannot store draft ale for very long, currently there are not enough people are willing to consume draught ale. The Exec committee will discuss how to get ale back on draught.

Q3 Fireworks display safety concerns.

A3 We have professional contractors to provide the Fireworks Display, and all the health and safety aspects have been investigated.

Q4 What plans does the club have for advertising our services?

A4 Club surveys are being looked into, as well as looking at the pros and cons for joining the club and the creating a narrative outlining the unique selling points of the club to form our marketing strategy.

**Meeting Closed at 9:00pm.**

Signed Date

Michael McGilligan

The Holbrook Club Chairman