



## Tadcaster Community Sports Trust (TCST) – Annual General Meeting

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021

Held in the Club House – Queens Gardens

Started: 7pm Finished: 7:56pm

**Members Present:** Fiona Garnett, Allyson Donald, Paul Emmott, Richard Marston, Mark Swinden, David Whitaker, Vernon Coleman, Kevin Appleyard, Richard Woodcock, Jon Lucas, Nick Boydell, Richard Osbond, Michael Harrison, Fiona Lobley, Jenny Burton, Allan Parry, Andrew Deakin, Bobby Collins, Pete McNamara & Graham Collins

**Minute Taker:** Melanie Collins

**Apologies:** Trevor Hardy, Peter Greenwood, Stacey Wilton and Nick Heaton

### **1. Confirmation of quorum**

A. Parry confirmed the meeting quorum had been achieved and as such the AGM could proceed.

### **2. Trustee Report – A. Parry (AP)**

All present were welcomed to the first AGM of Tadcaster Community Sports Trust.

Members were updated on all aspects of the business throughout the last 12 months and in particular the COVID pandemic and the creation of TCST. AP thanked the staff and members of the trust for their support during the difficult times.

### **3. Finance Update – B. Collins (BC)**

BC confirmed the following.

Tadcaster Magnet Sports & Social Club (TMSSC) was legally dissolved on the 30<sup>th</sup> of September 2021. In its place TCST and Magnets 2020 Ltd became live on the same date. The new structure sits is compliant with the charities commission guidelines.

Through the pandemic the business received £106K in grants which allowed the business to maintain the facilities and pay staff.

The bar was refurbished whilst in lockdown. It was always the intention to do the work and closure of the building provided an ideal opportunity.

The current auditors, Walter Dawson, are auditing the TMSSC accounts for the period 1 May 2020 to 31 October 2021. They will be published early 2022 and presented for approval at an Extraordinary General Meeting. Projections suggest finances for the year ending April 2021 the finances will reflect a break-even position.

#### **4. Project Ignite – Pete McNamara (PM)**

PM updated members on the following: -

##### Queens Gardens

Tadcaster Council's Neighbourhood Development Plan, which includes Project Ignite, has been published. It has received positive support from members and the local community.

A project delivery board has been established to support successful delivery. It is made up of 5 people with professional skills to move the project to the next stage.

After receiving a grant of £30,000 from Selby District Council (SDC) development plans have been drawn up include a sports building / Hub for changing rooms, a café, a car park, 3G football pitch and a multi-use games area for tennis, netball and hockey etc.

The next step is to publish the plans in Feb 2022 once a comprehensive business and sustainability plan has been completed. A further £162K has been approved by SDC to support the above which will include surveys, planning approval, design and development and the tender process.

##### Manor Fields

The football foundation has agreed grants of £23k for junior football in Tadcaster. Funds will predominantly be used to improve the facility.

Q.1 – Paul Emmott

Who currently owns the land at Queens Gardens and the additional land to be used for Project Ignite?

A.1 – Current land is owned by Heineken UK. There is still over 20 years left on this lease. The land for Project Ignite is currently owned by Sam Smiths Old Brewery Tadcaster (SSOBT). The land will likely be leased on a long-term lease similar to what the Trust has now with Manor Fields.

Q.2 – Mark Swinden

With the devolution of local councils how will this impact Project Ignite?

A.2 – North Yorkshire County Council (NYCC) is aware of these plans. The devolution of councils is not something Project Ignite can influence but we feel the further we move the project along will be beneficial.

Note – Fiona Garnet

There is currently a threat of houses being built on land around Queens Gardens so if the land is re-classified as Sport & Recreation will be a benefit to residents.

#### **5. Membership Proposal 2022 – G. Collins (GC)**

GC presented the 2022 proposed membership scheme and explained the reasons for the changes that will be made from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022. The following were noted.

The trustees have confirmed that all the funds from TMSSC will be used for the improvement of the existing land and social facilities.

There will be three categories available: -

Trust Member £35 per annum, Senior Trust Member £15 per annum and Affiliated Sports Club Member at £10 pa per person.

The existing fees charged to the Affiliated clubs will continue alongside these three categories.

GC stated we still want Trust Members who wish to take an active part in the trust.

GC thanked Tadcaster Harriers for their continued support and welcomed Tadcaster Cycling Club who will use the TCST and Magnet Sports bar as their new home.

## **6. Election of Trustees**

AP asked the membership if there was anybody who would like to become a Trustee. There is also a vacant position of Marketing & Media Trustee. There were no volunteers. As a consequence, AP invited members to re-elect all current trustees for the following periods. .

**Proposed by:** Richard Woodcock

**Seconded:** Vernon Coleman

### 1 Year

Legal Trustee – Andrew Deakin

Marketing & Media Trustee – Vacant

### 2 Year

Finance Trustee – Bobby Collins

Operations Trustee – Graham Collins

### 3 Year

Managing Trustee – Allan Parry

Sports Development Trustee – Peter McNamara

All current Trustees were re-elected to their current roles.

## **7. Questions from the members**

Q.1 – Will there be merchandise available bearing the TCST logo?

A.1 – Yes, this is something the trust wishes to encourage. We aim to work alongside our affiliated clubs who already have club shops in place via Richard Woodcock who set up the first club shop for football.

Q.2 – Vernon Coleman

VC expressed his thanks to the club, staff, and management team as this was his first AGM he had attended. He also asked if the hand dryers in the gent's toilets could be reviewed as they are too high for most people.

A.2 – A. Parry

AP thanks VC for his vote of confidence and the management team would review the position of the hand dryers.

Q.3 – What is the volume of the current membership?

A.3 – GC confirmed that the current membership is running at approx. 400 voting members. He continued to say that now TCST is in place we hoped that this would confirm the message to the community and surrounding villages that the trust is not just open to Heineken employees but is a facility for the whole community.

There were no more questions and AP closed the AGM.

**Signed on behalf of TCST:** *G.M.Collins*

Name: G.M.Collins

Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021

Position Held: Operations Trustee