

Leicester City Supporters' Society – The Foxes Trust

Society Board Meeting in Person (Box 5) and via Zoom Monday 18th August 2025, 7.30pm

Present: LW [in the Chair], SM, IB, JB, HG, AD, MD, SH (Minutes) and KT, BT (online)

Ref	Item	Action	Who/Date
1	Apologies: PR	n/a	n/a
2	Approval of Minutes 30 June 2025 & 4 August 2025 These were approved, no matters arising.	n/a	n/a
3	LCFC FEF a) FCC Feedback & New FEP LCFC FEP for 25/26 has been published. Minutes of the last FCC meeting critical of UFS, who did not show up at the meeting and therefore unable to defend themselves against comments of negative chanting on social media. Board agreed that such comments would be better directed to an area of the ground rather than a specific group. There has been no feedback to the FAB from "Your 90 Minutes" meetings so it is felt this is deterring fans from attending. The new FEP is a genuine effort to reach out to include ALL fans and it is understood there are no restrictions on 1:1 meetings with supporter groups. SM is awaiting action points requested in the 20/7 web article. has verbally agreed to meet the deadline of 31/8/25. The club are making genuine attempts at fan engagement but we need them to advise on the outcomes. JB suggested we carry out a survey on fan engagement but this was decided against at present. JB raised key points regarding how to improve fan engagement. SM noted and will advise key set of improvements to put to the club. The Trust will complete the Supporter Group Registration Form. There is no evidence this will lead to groups being excluded from engagement and is an attempt by the club to gain official contacts with all LCFC fan groups. b) Attendance at Your 90 Minutes sessions SH to attend 11/9/25 & possibly JB SH, KT, LW to attend 18/9/25 & possibly MD & James Harlow.		
4	Engagement Sub Group a) Club Dialogue SM had a meeting with on 20/7/25 and a response was received. A further conversation was had (today) 20/8/25 with to which we are awaiting a written response (Deadline 31/8/25) The club are not opposed to us having a member on the LCFC sanctions committee. However, it requires a large time commitment, as it meets after each home match. A		

	position on the appeals committee maybe more realistic?. A rota system of fan representation may be called for. b) Planned Comms/events/newsletter - Subgroup to meet to decide on continuing comms on the survey results. Andy B is drafting content. - IB to report on FAB meeting and any Club response to the FT survey - IB to ask at FAB if Susan Whelan has seen the Survey results. JB requested, if not, send to her direct and send a printed letter with results to Khun Top. - Board comms to keep Andy B in the loop as situation changes fast on engagement. - UFS, DSA, Foxes Pride have co-signed with FT a draft statement to be released should the club decide to use another unlicensed betting company as a shirt sponsor. The Official Supporters Club have declined to be co-signatories - FT's quick response to the Thai political messaging at the Fiorentina match has been widely praised. SM was contacted by and was assured it would not happen again. - HG suggested that as Cifuentes has been on a PR mission, FT could contact him to see if he would attend an event in the near future.	Engagement Subgroup IB	ASAP
5	Operations Subgroup a) Membership CRM Progress - 31 new members have joined since 30/6/25, with 29 joining after hearing about the Trust on social media. - After discussion, the following decisions were made: • Any member who has renewed between 1 April & 31 July 2025 (without the 50% discount) is to have their membership extended for 1 year to 2027. • Memberships paid offline are to be offered the option of amending their standing order, treating the overpayment as a donation or creating a credit against future payments. • Outstanding membership renewals should have a new invoice generated which includes the 50% offer but dated to their original renewal date. • Approval was given for the spending of £48 +VAT on an SMS bundle of 500 non-branded SMS credits. • Approval was given initially to Board members try the free pilot trial of JOININ app. • Adoption of the Love Admin user guide was approved. • A period of 3 months was agreed as a deadline relating to unpaid invoices, after which membership will be cancelled unless there are extenuating circumstances.	PR/SH PR/SH/DS PR/SH PR/DS All	ASAP

	- All current admin roles & responsibilities were agreed, with approval to give Andy B comms clearance, after he has signed the Board Membership and Conduct policy. Comms actions: - Agree format of newsletter template - Agree content of next newsletter >gree content for email b) Membership area of website SM commented that traffic needed driving to the website. A members' only area might be the answer. Board to consider what such an area could include c) Update on Savings Account -All forms have been signed at the Market Harborough Building Society and an account number issued. The account with Santander has been closed. Once funds are transferred to MHBS, IB will look at setting up easy access account at Saffron Walden Building Society. This will leave £6-7k operating fund in the current account. SM reported that _____ was still planning to complete FT accounts asap after the 31/8 year-end.	PR/AB Engagement Subgroup All IB	Next meeting Next meeting Next meeting
6	LCFC Women Subgroup a) Progress Disappointment was expressed that the club had not taken advantage of the publicity raised by England winning at the Euros, to promote LCWFC. LW and MD had received replies to their emails from _____, that are not positive in attitude. Season ticket holders were not given advance warning of the selling date of Man Utd away tickets, and no coach has been arranged. After conducting a ticket price comparison, LCFC is half the price of most of the other clubs. Frustration was expressed that there is no ticket transfer/resale system. It was agreed that a separate page was needed on the FT website for LCWFC issues/information (rather than separate website which was felt would cause confusion). It was agreed that James Harlow could form a valuable role in enhance comms regarding LCWFC and should be granted Comms access to LoveAdmin. He will need to sign the Board Membership and Conduct policy.	SM AD/LCWFC Subgroup	ASAP

7	Community Subgroup a) LCFC in the Community – FT Cause To date, the FT poll, indicates mental health as the priority cause. Members to be contacted via LoveAdmin email asking if they will help/take part. b) Reciprocal ticketing – Coventry City reciprocated on £30 tickets, but many clubs (esp. Sheff Wed & Utd) are not prepared to as their tickets are more expensive than LCFC's, so they would lose out. HG has been in contact with Trusts at other clubs to enquire if they will ask their club to back reciprocal ticketing, with little success. c) Community events HG proposed key issues at present for Town Hall style meetings are: atmosphere in the ground; ticketing; club communication. It was suggested that running these prior to the home game, would attract more attendees. Therefore, a suitable venue needs to be found near to the KP, with the first meeting to be arranged for October. Other events: HG Looking to do an end of season run (take over from "Birch") either at the ground or maybe a park run. Link to the Portsmouth charity run may not be possible due to the fixture date being rearranged. c) Fanzone Presence The location of the Fanzone is currently under discussion and may be moving. The club are happy for us to have a presence there. Given the home fixtures have moved due to broadcasting, arranging FT attending may not be possible until October or later. A decision on banners, leaflets, which board members will attend is required. d) Non League Day 28 March 2026 LCFC Fans will be invited to go along to local non-league matches. Article needed for website. FT could attend a match, eg Harborough Town to promote the Trust. Cristi Bratu could be contacted to help set this up	HG HG/JB HG HG HG	ASAP Next meeting Next meeting On-going
8	National Dialogue a) Update - SM attended a PGMO meetings re 25/26 new rules - FSA holding a Young Supporters Forum on 27/8 – FT could send out message on this. - SM completed FSA PL Network fan engagement questionnaire. - FSA have been pushing participation in Fananalysis run by Sky Sports – SM to check if this is only for PL clubs. - FSA Fans for Diversity event at Emirates Stadium on 26/9/25. - Feedback on the Sheffield Wednesday protest had been positive. - FSA concerned about the introduction by Cheshire Police of DNA sprays at football matches. - SM completing the FSA away ticket cost survey.	Engagement Subgroup SM	

	- FSA EFL Network has compiled feedback on the work of SLOs – data available – FT contributed. - SM approached by journalist, Charlie O’Brien – agreed to meet to discuss ticketing and the work of IFR. - Next FSA EFL Network meeting is on 1/9 at 6pm. b) Meeting with National Regulator FT Board to meet Martyn Henderson interim CEO of Football Regulator, on 9/9/25, 6pm. MH will give a presentation on the work of IFR and then a Q&A. It was agreed comms to be sent to members informing them. Board members to send questions to SM if unable to attend. Could ask members if they have any questions. LW to provide Zoom link.	SM SM/HG SM/LW	tbc 1/9/25 9/9/25
9	FEF Future Meetings & AGM Plans - LCFC FEF meetings as per provided with agenda - SM to review arrangements for 2025 AGM, regarding possible date of 12/1/26 for next AGM. Number of places available for election to the Board to be confirmed.	SM	Next meeting
10	Any Other Business a) SM to investigate alternatives to a corporate Zoom account – Google Meet. b) LW raised an issue re queues for the shop on the recent Women’s event. c) SM asked if was true that Forest fans were attempting to join Foxes Trust – no evidence. d) A card is to be sent to	SM LW	ASAP
	The meeting ended at 9.50pm		

Date of Next Meeting: 13 October 2025 (King Power & online). SM to book.

Chair: Steve

Minute Taker: Ian (**Back Up:** Lynn)