

Leicester City Supporters' Society – The Foxes Trust

Society Board Meeting In-Person & via Zoom Monday 13th April 2026, 7.30pm

Present: LW [in the Chair], SM, JB, HG, BT, SP, JM, CR

Ref	Item	Action	Date
1	Apologies: KT, PR, AS		
2	Approval of Minutes 16/03/2026 - Approved No matters arising. Confirmed to publish to website.		
3a	LCFC & FAB Guest speaker, Jane Hughes (JH), FSA EFL Network manager, joined the meeting to discuss the LCFC FEF set-up. She has been in discussion with Imogen Ward at LCFC. LW/SM advised background to the set-up of FEP, FEF and FAB. JH commented the FCC could be more like the model FSA advise for a FAB. However, democratic elections to the FCC from the supporter base would be recommended. The FCC could then act as an operational issues FAB and the current FAB could as a strategic issues FAB. An open discussion was had about the lack of communication to fans and progress on matters discussed across the FEFE. JB raised the issue of whether issuing a deadline to the Club for improvement to the FEF, and then leaving the process if not met, was a course of action to take. JH advised that issuing ultimatums to Clubs nearly always failed, FT would be outside of the engagement process and not able to represent member's views. JH recommended remaining within the process but making suggestions for positive changes. The culture of Club control regarding engagement was discussed and whether FT's involvement legitimised this. Consideration was given to whether the FEF was now circumventing direct comms with fan groups. JH recommended organising a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Club, to agree and protect direct comms with FT. [NB, this was tabled with the Club 18+ month ago.] HG raised the issue of the accuracy, interpretation and timing of publication of Minutes and that these were not circulated to fans present at the FCC for approval. JH agreed this should take place and said FSA can arrange training for FCC members. JH emphasised that on-field matters are not considered to be part of FAB remits. But encourage FT to challenge the		

	Club on improvements to engagement, build relationships with club officials and agreed to liaise with IW on matters.		
3b	LCFC Financial Statements 2024/25 SM and BT provided feedback meeting with Kevin Davies, LCFC CEO, on the above Statements. SM advised KD was candid, provided some confidential information but assured those present the Club was financially viable no matter which league they were playing in next season. SM can raise further queries with KD as advised by Board members. The Club contacted LW & SM regarding the FT statement released following the publication of the above Statements. LW reminded all that as per an agreement in place, any FT statements that quote officials at the Club, should as a courtesy be sent to the club in advance of publication.	SM All	
4	LCFC dialogue / engagement A meeting with Club officials has been arranged for 27/4/26. This is hoped to build relationships with new Board members and widen the basis of comms with the Club. To do: - Ask the club what they want to know? - Compile a list of key points to raise (JM to collate) - Set a list of objectives for the meeting. JB suggested: - Intros by all, explain why new members have joined FT, ask official present to explain their roles. - Explain how and why the Trust has changed. - Improvement in slow and useful comms is required; FT MoU to provide direct comms. Club was asked to respond to the proposed FT end-of-season survey – no response except to defer discussion to the FCC on 16/4. FT to issue statement following this.	All / JM All All / JB CR	
5	Board governance Board unanimously agreed to accept the draft of the Social Media Use Policy proposed by CR. LW to upload to website. All agreed new Microsoft 365 access was working well. Board agreed to licenses being purchased for LW, SM, JB, HG and CR. SM to organise licenses and purchase.	CR / LW SM	
6	Communications Subgroup CR has had offers of help on Social Media comms. New joiners to the subgroup are: Jim Smallman, Asa McCoy, Harry Birch, Tom Sutton. Rob Tanner would like a meeting / interview with FT Board members to discuss 10-year anniversary of winning the	CR	

	English league. CR to advise details for those who can take part. LW & BT – spoke to the Austrian media contact regarding the 10th anniversary. HG – attempting to arrange an interview with French journalist also regarding the 10th anniversary.	CR HG	
7	Membership Subgroup JB advise offers of support had come in from members. New joiners to the subgroup are: Steve Aquilina, Ellis Bryant, Katy Marsland, David Josephs, Simon Grindrod Members’ offers and perks are underway successfully with those offered at Sheffield Wednesday. Reductions in ticket price for the Danny Simpson event have been slow to be taken up – only 21 members have used the offer code. It was agreed to produce more comms on this. End-of-season survey SurveyMonkey version has been uploaded, tested and reviewed by academics. Leaflets have been designed and are ready for print. Members to be trawled for help with distribution. Free membership category FT needs to be legally able to capture information from those non-members completing the survey – an incentive being free, associate membership. It requires a review of the LoveAdmin form fields to try and shorten the sign-up process. Ellis Bryant reviewing the process. JB advised that instigating the free category required working harder on full membership benefits. LW thanked PR for arranging the LoveAdmin training, as this had been helpful in understand all of its functions.	JB All / JB JB	Ready for games on 18/4 and 21/4
8	Finance & Operations Subgroup SM reported that the Subgroup had spent time analysing the LCFC Financial Statements 2024/25, which were provided by the Club ahead of the meeting with KD and before public release. This enabled the Subgroup to formulate questions. SM sought advice from FSA on FT’s tax position, given a significant surplus was made in 2025. SM to contact HMRC for further clarification.	SM	
9	Community Subgroup The content of public statements on the role of FT, LCitC and the Club regarding fundraising and community events have now been agreed.		

	New joiners to the subgroup are: Liam Deacy, Mike Ward, Asa McCoy. HG future event planning would now need to wait until next season league participation is known. FT Fan Zone presence was prevented by the late movement of fixtures due to broadcasting requirements. HG hopes to organise a Goal Difference fundraiser in the summer or early next season. JB advised the Steve Aquilia is interested in helping with organising events. He has suggested an evening with journalists.	HG HG JB / HG	
10	LCFC Women Subgroup LW advised no progress since the last Board meeting. More dialogue once the league position for next season is known.	LW	
11	FCC Agenda items Agenda items advised by the Club. FT reps to push the argument for making the season ticket renewal date later.	LW	
12	National Dialogue SM may not be able to attend FSA AGM on 06/06/2026 – asked if others could do so. SM Advised recent FSA EFL notices regarding research into SLOs. Members available could attend. SM advised completion of the Independent Football Regulator's (IFR) engagement survey. SM to attend FSA EFL Network meeting on 30/4.	SM	
13	AOB – Any other business CR thanked for producing the video content on social media. JM advised fan groups of different clubs are now communicating on issues of common concern on X. UFS five-a-side tournament being organised for early summer – venue being agreed.	JM	

Date of Next Meeting: tbc

Chair: LW.

Minute Taker: tbc