

Minutes of meeting of Board of Directors held in the Board Room on Thursday July 7 1921

Present Councs JE Clayton JP (Chairman), W Wicks, Messrs G Turner, H Miles, H Atrill, F Stokes, W Cooke, T White, RL Weston, R Smithson, AE Mitchell, J Heath, HJ Watson.

Minutes of last meeting were read & confirmed.

Matters Arising **S Hardy.** The manager reported upon his communication with Mr W Strange, Aston Villa. Agreed that should they the Villa fix an appointment before Alderman Cropper returns on Monday next the matter be left with the Players Committee.

Re Signing cheques. Sec Manager reported that he had so far as it applied to him he had carried out the Board instructions.

Re Turnstile. Agreed that Mr Lowe, Hady Hill, be asked to overhaul them.

In respect of an application from Chesterfield Agricultural Society for use of 4 turnstiles. Same was agreed to at a fee of £1-0-0 each, the show to be responsible for any damage & fetch and return them.

The application from Mr J Wall for loan of a turnstile was not entertained.

Outfits Resolved that the Manager be empowered to purchase Shirts, Knickers, [Naffs?] & towels, Shoes. Samples to be submitted & all outfits to be purchased from local tradesmen.

Trainer Resolved that we advertise for a Trainer for 1921 season 1922.

Reports At a recent meeting of the Debenture Committee the decisions were arrived at.
1. Transfer to the Company Account interest accrued on the Debenture Banking account at December 1920 – June 1921.
2. Transfer to the Company account Cheque for £600-0-0 in respect of payments already made on account of Ground extensions.
3. The Balance of the Debenture money until at such times as the section of the new stand had been completed when it would be transferred to the company's account.
Resolved that the foregoing decisions be confirmed.

Debentures. Mr Wakerley produced draft Trust Deed for securing an issue of £8500 6% Debentures whereby the Recreation Ground would be mortgaged to Trustees for the Debenture holders and a floating charge given on the other assets of the Company to secure payment of the Debentures by instalments amounting to £1000 in each year to be applied in payment of interest and in or towards redemption of Debentures by way of Ballot or Drawings until all the Debentures are paid off. Mr Wakerley also produced a form of Debenture.

RESOLVED

- 1) That such draft Trust Deed and form of Debenture be approved.
- 2) That a series of Debentures be issued for an aggregate amount of £8,500 in sums of £5, £10, £25 and £50 respectively carrying interest at a rate of 6% per annum. (Mr Watson against.)
- 3) That the seal of the Company be affixed to a Trust Deed (in the form of the Draft now produced) to secure such Debentures the Trustees being John Heywood Gregory Robert Thompson and Thomas Reginald Smithson.
- 4) That Debentures (in the form now produced) be and are hereby issued as follows:

To whom issued	No. of Debenture	Amount of Debenture
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(Copy list)

- 5) That the seal of the Company be affixed to the Debentures before set out (Mr Watson against).

Insurance Cup Insurance. Agreed that we pay to the Chesterfield Royal Hospital 15/- premium paid by them to insure Cup now in our possession.

Interest on Debenture Shares

Resolved that a new banking account [*indistinct*] Debenture Interest Account & that a sum of £145-5-10 be placed therein to meet present liabilities in respect of interest on Debenture Shares.

Copy of Articles of the Compy.

Resolved that 250 reprints of the Articles of the Company be ordered forthwith by Mr Wakerley.

JE Clayton
July 14th 1921.

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Present Councs JE Clayton JP (Chairman), F Stokes, AE Mitchell, R Smithson, HJ Watson, G Turner, H Cropper, H Miles, H Atrill, RL Weston, T White, W Wicks.

Minutes of last meeting were read & confirmed.

Matters Arising: **Re S Hardy.** No reply from Aston Villa as to appointment.
Re Turnstiles No reply from Mr Lowe.
Re Outfits Manager reported he had asked for prices & samples from Messrs Eyre & Son, Turner, Hunt & Swallows but had nothing yet to hand.

Shoes Agreed that when possible players should be measured for shoes.

The League Minutes from Football League were submitted & [paid?] in respect to dressing rooms notice.

Players Agreed that the players be called up for training on Aug 8.

Apartments for Mr Ormston

Agreed that we advertise for apartments for Ormston & replies to be sent to him.

Fletcher's Holidays

In respect to an application from Fletcher as to holidays, agreed that he be given permission but must turn up here on Aug 20th.

Re Saxby Player to be examined by Dr Graham-Simpson (fee £2.2.0) on Saturday July 16th. Manager to arrange with player and accompany him to Sheffield.

Cooper & Sheepbridge FC

Referred to Players Committee.

Offer of 2,000 loads of Rubbish

Referred to Ground Committee.

Re Trainer Resolved that advert be inserted in Athletic News.

Application from J Collis & Son cheque on account

Referred to Debenture Holders Committee.

Abstract of Report given by Ald. Cropper Re Joint Council:

- 1) Sports had been abandoned owing to alteration on Ground.
- 2) [S.....] to various shareholders had been issued.
- 3) If the Board would issue Ground Tickets for 1921-1922 Supporters Club would guarantee to sell and pay for 100 conditionally that if 50% was paid upon [fr....] of a ticket Same to be reserved but not handed over until the full price had been paid.
- 4) In respect of Stewards they were [proposed?] to complete a rota if the club would decide a number for each match re Third Division & Central Alliance.

- Resolved**
- 1) That we have printed 200 Ground Season tickets price 22/6 including tax, 100 to be issued to the Supporters Club.
 - 2) Agreed to accept offer of Stewards. Manager to arrange for number for each match & issue Stewards Tickets.

Gate Men & Checkers

Resolved that the appointment of above be left with the Secretary/Manager and Assistant secretary.

Retiring Directors

Draw for Rota:

Retire this year 1921: Messrs Clayton, Turner & Heath.

Retire 1922: Messrs Watson, White & Wicks.

Retire 1923: Messrs Mitchell, Syddall, Cropper.

Resolved that it be a recommendation to the Board that last six also retire and offer themselves for re-election.

Mr SA Syddall

The above director having failed to attend any meeting since March 7th 1921 it was agreed that he having forfeited his seat the same be declared vacant but it be a recommendation on the directors [report?] that the vacancy not be filled.

Shares

Resolved that shares certificates no. 148 to 155 (both inclusive) be signed and sealed.

Cheques

Resolved that the following cheques be signed:

Chesterfield Hospital	0-15-0	Cup insurance
RJ Stokes	7-0-0	Ground A/c
Allen & Orr	4-4-11	Ground A/c
J J Caffery	31-5-7	Ground A/c
Wilfred Edmunds Ltd	0-14-0	Ground A/c
Webb & Son	11-12-3	Ground A/c
Chesterfield Brick Company	25-12-6	Ground A/c
N Atrill & Son	1-10-0	Ground A/c
Eyre & Sons	1-11-0	Ground A/c
White Furniture	30-7-6	Board Room
E S Mitchell	12-10-0	Safe
S Johnson	2-2-0	Board Office
J Collis & Son	3-19-4	Ground A/c
W [Watson?]	7-7-0	Ground A/c
Mr W Cook	1-11-0	Ground A/c
	£142-2-1	

JE Clayton
July 21st 1921.

Minutes of meeting of Board of Directors held in the Board Room on Thursday July 21st 1921

Present Councs JE Clayton JP (Chairman), Messrs F Stokes, AE Mitchell, R Smithson, Ald. Cropper, RL Weston, H Miles, W Cooke, G Turner, J Heath, H Atrill.

Minutes of last meeting were read & confirmed.

Matters Arising

Saxby Manager reported upon examination by Dr Graham Simpson.
Examination was a good one.
result – no proof of abscess or rupture.
Instruction: Player told to turn up for training on Aug 8th 1921.

Turnstiles Agreed that the question of overhauling turnstile indicators was left with Mr Cooke.

Outfits; shirts Agreed that Everton & Leicester City FC be asked to give name and addresses of the firms who supply them with blue jersey.

Shorts Agreed that Stewart & Son be asked for price for shorts.

Season Tickets Agreed that no tickets should be issued except against cash or coupons.

H Mosley Manager's report as to this player's knee was accepted.

Insurance of players

Manager instructed to arrange for the Company to be covered by insurance for August 8 '21.

Bands for season 1921-22

Rota to be formed. Following to be asked to give concerts. No fee to be paid but band allowed to take up a collection. Each band to guarantee at least twelve players.

Bands: Hasland, Chesterfield Old Comrades, Sheepbridge, New Whittington, Brampton.

International Goal Posts

Agreed that the Manager take this matter up with the League and the Patentees.

Recommendations of Advertising Committee

- 1) That tenders for printing programmes be obtained from Bates & Wild, Broomhead's, Brayshaw, Edmunds Ltd.
- 2) That Mr W Ellis be allowed to advertise on hoarding inside Ground for £10-0-0 for two seasons, two boards, 8x3 [q?]
- 3) Decided to leave arrangements with Fry's in the hands of Mr Cook to get the best possible arrangement both for advert & sole rights of selling their chocolates. Sale of refreshments on ground to be let by tender (sweets only) after Fry's have been dealt with.
- 4) Decided to recommend to the Board we advertise for tenders for wet canteen. Applicant to put up his building. A guarantee of from 3 to 5 years to be given. Position of building to be decided by The Board of Directors.
- 5) Question of the future position of score board and flag was discussed.

Agreed to ask representation of Bell.

Posting Compy to meet on Ground on Monday July 26 @ 7.30.

Notice of Motion Arising out of above report Mr J Heath gave notice of motion to [rescind minute?] [JE?] that the wet canteen be abolished
[JE?] that the Supporters Club be allowed to run a dry canteen on terms to be decided by the Board.

H Cropper
July 28/21.

AT A MEETING OF DIRECTORS OF THE CHESTERFIELD FOOTBALL CLUB LIMITED HELD AT THE RECREATION GROUND ON THURSDAY, 28TH JULY 1921 THERE WERE:-

Present

Mr H Cropper
Mr WH Atrill
Mr WH Cook
Mr J Heath
Mr H Miles
Mr AE Mitchell
Mr TR Smithson
Mr G Turner
Mr RL Weston
Mr T White
Mr W Wicks

In Attendance:

JJ Caffery, Secretary & Manager
AR Parsons, Assistant Secretary.

Minutes	The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.
Mosley	A letter was read from Mosley stating that he will be ready for training on August 8 th next.
Goal Posts	Resolved that the action of the Manager in accepting of the International Standards Goals Syndicate to erect goal posts in accordance with their letter, be approved.
Shirts Etc	Resolved that the previous minute to purchase shirts etc. locally be adhered to.
Turnstiles	Mr Cook reported that the work of repairing the turnstiles is being proceeded with. A letter was submitted from Mr Leitch offering seven second-hand turnstiles at a price of £10 each. Resolved that the Manager be authorised to purchase three of the same, subject to the make, condition and locality being satisfactory.
Hardy	A letter was submitted from the Aston Villa club stating that their directors will be away until the second week in august, so that the matter of Hardy cannot be dealt with until then
Trainer	Resolved that the following recommendations of the Players' Committee be adhered to: a) that Frank Thacker be appointed Trainer to the Club from August 8 th 1921 to May 7 th 1922 at a wage of £4-10-0 per week inclusive. b) That the Trainer shall for all purposes be under the command of the Players' Committee, who shall convey all instructions to him through the Manager.

Teams – selection of

Resolved that the Players' Committee be responsible for the selection of both teams.

Chesterfield Rugby Union

An application was submitted from the Chesterfield Rugby Union for the loan of the ground on Wednesday October 5th 1921 for a match between Nottinghamshire and Yorkshire. Resolved that the application be not entertained.

EF Lievesley An application from the Manchester City Football Club Limited that EF Leivesley be allowed to train at the Chesterfield ground was agreed to.

Advertisements Resolved that the tender of messrs. Wilfred Edmunds Ltd for printing of programmes during the ensuing season be accepted.
Resolved that all matches be advertised in The Derbyshire Times and The Derbyshire Courier.
Resolved that the Manager obtain prices for posters. Such posters to be of the streamer pattern, and printed blue on white.
Resolved that the Chairman of the Advertising Committee and the Manager make suitable arrangements for the printing and distribution of small bills.

Dry Canteen A letter was read from the Supporters' Club regarding the dry canteen. Resolved that the Manager invite the Executive Committee of the Supporters Club to submit a scheme for the dry canteen.

Wet Canteen A proposal that the previous minute dealing with the wet canteen be rescinded was defeated.

Ground Committee

Resolved that the following recommendations of the Ground committee be agreed to:
(a) To purchase the necessary internal fittings for the Visitors' Dressing Room.
(b) To build a fence of timber and corrugated iron behind the Board Room and Stand.
(c) To erect the necessary turnstile boxes of cement or otherwise as advised by the Ground Committee.
(d) To erect the necessary protection gates from the Dressing Rooms to the Ground.
(e) To arrange for the adequate lighting of the Dressing Rooms.

Stretcher Resolved that Mr Russell's (Midland Railway Co) offer to supply a stretcher and two qualified attendants at each match be accepted with thanks.

Directors – retirement of

Resolved that the Directors retire en bloc at the next Ordinary General Meeting of the Company, and offer themselves for re-election.

Financial Committee's minutes

Resolved that the minutes of the previous Financial Committee be approved.

Checkers Hut Resolved that the Ground Committee be authorised to proceed with the erection or otherwise of suitable accommodation for the checking of gate receipts.

Lighting, heating etc

Resolved that the Manager arrange with the Chesterfield Corporation to install the following:

Gas lighting in the Board Room, Referee's Room and Secretary's Office.

Gas stoves in the Board Room, Referee's Room, secretary's Office and Visitors' Dressing Room.

One wash bowl with the necessary water laid on to be fitted in the Referee's Room.

Accounts

Resolved that the following cheque be signed:

JJ Caffery

£30.19.1.

ground expenses

JE Clayton
Chairman
Aug 4th 1921