Minutes of a meeting of Directors held at the Recreation Ground on Tuesday, April 1st 1924, at 7.30pm.

Present:	Mr AE Mitchell (Chairman) Mr H Shentall Mr T White Mr G Turner Mr F Stokes
In attendance	H Parkes, Manager; JR Black, Secretary.

Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting held on Feby 26th 1924 were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Gate Receipts The Statement of Gate Receipts for the Halifax and Wath matches was read and approved.

Programmes The Statement of Programme Sales for the above matches was read and approved.

Mr WH Atrill attended.

Bank A/c The Statement of the Bank Account was read and approved and it was agreed the following cheques be drawn:

H Parkes	Wages	165.5.8
H Parkes	Travelling	12.0.0
Customs & Excise	Tax	48.15.9
Football League	Appeal fee	2.2.0
		£228.3.5

Manager's Report A letter was read from Dr Matthews re his joint examination with Dr Evans, of Hampson, and it was agreed that Hampson resume full training in accordance with the medical report.

Bradley It was agreed that J Bradley be offered his papers and the Manager was instructed to communicate with Bradley accordingly.

Kick-off A letter was read from the Football League consenting to 3.30 pm kick-off for League matches but it was agreed that for Good Friday the kick-off should be 3.15 pm.

Loan of Ground It was agreed that the ground be loaned free of charge on the following dates:
April 7th and April 14th 1924 for Clayton Challenge Shield.
April 16th Police versus Chamber of Trade.

Vote of Sympathy A vote of sympathy was passed to Mr RL Weston on the bereavement he had suffered by the death of his father and the Secretary was instructed to write Mr Weston accordingly.

Teams The following teams were selected:
1st V. Tranmere: Birch, Dennis, Potts, Edwards, Tyler, Thompson, Fisher, Lane, Crockford, Whitfield, Henshall. Reserve: Shaw.
2nd V. Mansfield: Massey, Greatorex, Whitworth, Dent, Wass, Barnett, McIntyre, Shaw, Bailey, Ingham, Oxley.

Travelling Travelling arrangements were approved as follows:
Tranmere 9.9 am GC, Mr Atrill to accompany the team.

Special Meeting The Special Meeting to consider the future policy of the club was fixed for Monday April 7th 1924 at 7.0 pm.

H Cropper
Chairman
April 9th 1924.

Minutes of a Special Meeting of Directors held at the Recreation Ground on Monday, April 7th 1924, at 7.0 pm

Present: Mr H Cropper (Chairman)
Mr AE Mitchell
Mr F Stokes
Mr T White
Mr G Geeson
Mr G Turner
Mr H Shentall
Mr WH Atrill

In attendance H Parkes, Manager; JR Black, Secretary.

Future Policy The future policy of the club was discussed and it was agreed to retain the pick of the existing teams providing the necessary requirements to do this are forthcoming.

Bank Guarantee The question of the Bank overdraft was discussed and it was agreed that the minimum overdraft on which the club could carry on was £3,000 and that efforts be made at once to ascertain if guarantors for this sum could be found.

H Cropper
Chairman

Minutes of a meeting of Directors held at the Recreation Ground on Tuesday, April 8th 1924, at 7.30pm.

Present: H Cropper (Chairman)
Mr G Turner
Mr F Stokes
Mr G Geeson
Mr H Shentall
Mr T White
Mr WH Atrill

In attendance H Parkes, Manager; JR Black, Secretary.

Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting held on Tuesday April 1st were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Gate Receipts	The Statement of Gate Receipts for the Mansfield match was read and approved.
Programmes	The Statement of Programme Sales for the above matches was read and approved.
Bank A/c	The Statement of the Bank Account was read and approved and it was agreed the following cheques be drawn:

H Parkes	Wages	154.12.8
H Parkes	Travelling	20.0.0
Customs & Excise	Tax	34.12.4
Sheffield Billposting Co	Posting	40.0.0
		£294.5.0

Manager's Report The Manager reported the expenses Hampson was claiming was his train fare to Norwich and it was agreed that this be paid.

Bradley The Manager reported that he had informed Bradley that he could have his papers and also reported that Crewe were making enquiries about the man.

Loan of Ground It was agreed that the Chesterfield & District League have the loan of the Ground on Easter Monday morning at a fee of £3.

Hospital Cup The date for the Hospital Cup Final, Chesterfield versus Mansfield was agreed at April 28th 1924, kick off 6.30 pm.

Donation A letter was read from the Chesterfield Brewery Co. Ltd. offering to hand over to the Club their debenture of £100 and stating that Messrs ET Atrill and LD Bird were prepared also to surrender their debentures of £25 each and further that the following donations would be made to the club:

Chesterfield Brewery Co. Ltd.	£50
ET Atrill Esq.	£25
LD Bird Esq.	£25

It was agreed that the offer be accepted with thanks and the thanks of the Board were tendered to Mr WH Atrill for his efforts in obtaining this offer.

Teams The following teams were selected:
1st V. Wigan: Birch, Dennis, Potts, Edwards, Tyler, Thompson, Fisher, Lane, Crockford, Whitfield, Henshall. Reserve: Dent.
2nd V. Rotherham Town: Johns, Greatorex, Whitworth, Dent, Wass, Barnett, McIntyre, Sharp, Shaw, Bailey, Oxley.
2nd V. Gainsbro: Johns, Greatorex, Whitworth, Mellor, Wass, Barnett, Goddard, Sharp, Ingham, Bailey, Oxley.

Travelling Travelling arrangements were approved as follows:
Wigan 9.9 am Great Central, Mr Turner and Mr Geeson to accompany the team.

H Cropper
Chairman
April 15th 1924

Minutes of a meeting of Directors held at the Recreation Ground on Tuesday, April 15th 1924,

at 7.30pm.

Present:	Mr H Cropper (Chairman) Mr AE Mitchell Mr G Turner Mr T White Mr G Geeson Mr F Stokes Mr RL Weston Mr H Shentall In attendance: H Parkes, Manager; JR Black, Secretary.

Minutes The minutes of the previous meetings held on 7th and 8th inst respectively were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Gate Receipts The Statement of Gate Receipts for the Gainsbro match was read and approved.

Programmes The Statement of Programme Sales for the above matches was read and approved.

Mr WH Atrill attended.

Bank A/c The Statement of the Bank Account was read and approved and it was agreed the following cheques be drawn:

H Parkes	Wages	152.3.8
H Parkes	Travelling	20.0.0
Customs & Excise	Tax	12.12.10
JJ Caffery	Gate receipts	8.12.5
J Black	Petty Cash	3.10.11

Donations The Chairman reported the receipt of cheques value £100 as donations to the funds of the club, and made up as follows:

The Chesterfield Brewery Co Ltd.	£50
LD Bird Esq.	£25
ET Atrill Esq.	£25

Trading A/c The Trading Account for the period ending 29th March 1924 together with the Balance Sheet at that date were read and accepted.

Manager's Report Applications for loan of the Ground were read and it was agreed the Ground be loaned free of charge for the Clayton Challenge Shield matches on May 1st and May 7th next.

Mr WH Atrill attended.

Meeting of Debenture Holders

The question of a meeting of Debenture Holders being called for the purpose of placing before them the financial position of the club was discussed and it was agreed that the meeting be called on Thursday April 24th 1924 at 7.30 pm at the Station Hotel.

Teams The following teams were selected:

1st team for Friday & Saturday Apl 18th & 19th

Birch, Dennis, Potts, Edwards, Tyler, Thompson, Fisher, Lane, Ingham, Whitfield, Henshall.
2nd team for above dates:
Johns, Greatorex, Whitworth, Mellor, Wass, Barnett, McIntyre, Dent, Shaw, Bailey, Oxley.

Travelling Hull Charabanc. York 10.47 Midland.

H Cropper
Chairman
April 22nd 1924

Minutes of a meeting of Directors held at the Recreation Ground on Tuesday, April 22nd 1924, at 7.30pm.

Present: Mr H Cropper (Chairman)
Mr AE Mitchell
Mr F Stokes
Mr RL Weston
Mr WH Atrill
Mr H Shentall

In attendance H Parkes, Manager; JR Black, Secretary.

Minutes The minutes of the previous meetings held on 7th and 8th inst respectively were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Gate Receipts The Statement of Gate Receipts for the Easter matches was read and approved.

Programmes The Statement of Programme Sales for the above matches was read and approved.

Bank A/c The Statement of the Bank Account at Apl 22nd 1924 was read and approved and it was agreed the following cheques be drawn:

H Parkes	Wages & travelling	201.17.8
Customs & Excise	Tax	167.7.9
Durham City FC	20% gate	51.18.10
Wigan Boro FC	20% gate	44.4.0
TP Wood & Co	Whisky etc	29.18.0
Press Assn. Ltd	Results	4.14.0
Postmaster Genl.	Telephone	7.16.6
H Cropper	Loan A/c	30.0.0
N Atrill Ltd	Coal	18.18.0
H Parkes	Petty Cash	16.0.6
		£572.15.3

Sutton match It was agreed that as this match was billed to kick off at 3.30 pm on Wednesday April 30th 1924 to do so, and that the kick off in the match with South Normanton be 6.30 pm same date.

Loan of Ground An application was read from My JJ Caffery for the loan of the Ground for May 7th and this was agreed to, Mr Caffery to make arrangements with the organisers of the school boy match on that date re time of kick off.

Teams The following teams were selected.
1st vs Ashington: Birch, Dennis, Potts, Edwards, Tyler, Thompson, Fisher, Lane, Ingham, Whitfield, Crockford.
1st vs. Mansfield: As above. Reserve for Ashington: Shaw.
2nd vs Mexbro: Massey, Greatorex, Whitworth, Mellors, Wass, Barnett, McIntyre, Dent or Sharp, Littlewood or Shaw, Bailey, Oxley.

Travelling The following travelling arrangements were made:
6.27 am to Ashington, Saturday April 26th 1924.

AE Mitchell
Chairman

Minutes of a Special Meeting of Debenture Holders called by the Directors of the Club and held at the Station Hotel, Chesterfield, on Thursday April 24th 1924 at 7.0 pm.

Present Messrs H Cropper, Chairman; AE Mitchell, T White, H Shentall, RL Weston, F Stokes, WH Atrill, G Geeson and the Financial Secretary J Black, together with the following debenture holders:
Messrs AW Webb, JE Salt, Wm. H Storer, W H Urton, T Hufton, HW Lingard, TR Madin, JH Stephens, F Wright, A Swale, A Bradbury, R Thompson, EA Barker, E Whittle, TR Smithson, SW Swale, W Ellis, W Silcock, J Julian, Thos. Morton, J Fisher, F Shemwell, F Bestall, GB Woodhead, Thos. Bailey, A Hunt, CW Everest, PD Stanton, A Ward, H Porter, J Humphries, TH Buddington, A Adams, R Holdsworth, G Gascoyne, T Ellis, F Crow, C Toseland, JW Damms.

The future policy of the Board was explained to the meeting by Alderman H Cropper, together with the present financial position of the club and after discussion it was proposed by Mr WH Urton and seconded by Mr TH Buddington and carried unanimously that a committee of twenty be appointed to represent the Debenture Holders, the committee to confer with the Directors of the club re the financial position and afterwards report to a further meeting of the Debenture Holders.

The Committee was appointed as follows:
Messrs HJ Watson, SW Swale, AW Webb, Robt Swale, Peter Warner, R Thompson, JH Gregory, TR Smithson, EA Barker, A Adams, JE Salt, CW Everest, WH Urton, T Hufton, J Humphries, W Ellis, A Swale, JH Sephens and C Toseland.
The Committee appointed WE Barker Chairman, and WA Adams Secretary, and it was agreed that the Committee should meet the Directors of the Club on Monday April 28th 1924 at 8.15 pm at the recreation Ground, that members of the committee who were not present should be informed of the meeting and that an invitation be sent to Colonel BM Humble-Birkitt, who had expressed his willingness to assist the club.

AW Swale
Chairman
April 28th 1924.

Minutes of a meeting held at the Recreation Ground, Chesterfield, on Monday April 28th 1924 at 8.15 pm between the Committee elected at the Special Meeting of Debenture Holders held on April 24th 1924 and the Directors of the Chesterfield Football Club Ltd.

Present Messrs AW Webb, EA Barker, R Thompson, WH Urton, JH Stephens, JE Salt, W Ellis, A Swale, CW Everest, R Swale, SW Swale, P Warner, HJ Watson, J Humphries, T Hufton and A Adams, together with the following directors of the Club:
Messrs H Cropper, AE Mitchell, G Turner, T White, F Stokes, WH Atrill, H Shentall, G Geeson and RL Weston.

Chairman WA Swale was elected Chairman.

Minutes The minutes of the Special Meeting held on the 24th inst were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Secretary Mr Arthur Adams was elected Secretary of the Committee.

The financial position of the club, together with the future policy of the Board, was further explained by WH Cropper and Mr Cropper informed the Committee that six of the present Directors were prepared to sign a guarantee to the Company's Bankers for an overdraft of £4,000 providing four other guarantors could be found and providing a subsidiary guarantee to the Directors would be signed. The Directors who would sign the guarantee to the Bank were Messrs Cropper, Mitchell, Stokes, Shentall, Weston and Atrill, and Mr Cropper informed the meeting that Colonel Humble-Birkitt would also sign the guarantee to the Bank.

Mr A W Webb and Mr Robert Swale agreed to sign the guarantee to the Bank conditional on their obtaining a seat on the Board of Directors, and SW Swale also agreed to sign the guarantee to the Bank conditional on having the power to nominate a Director to act in his stead.

It was then proposed by Mr EA Barker and seconded by Mr WH Urton and carried unanimously that a subsiduary guarantee to the Directors who signed the original guarantee to the Bank, be signed conditional on efforts being made to reduce the debt of the club.

The form of Guarantee to the Directors was then read and it was agreed that the whole of the Committee present together with the Directors who signed the original Guarantee to the bank and the retiring Directors should sign this subsiduary guarantee for the amounts given and recorded by the Secretary.

It was agreed that a further meeting be held at the Recreation Ground on Monday next, May 5th, 1924 at 7.15 pm and that notice of such meeting to be sent to members of the Committee not present.

AW Swale
Chairman
May 5th, 1924.

Minutes of a meeting of Directors held at the Recreation Ground on Tuesday, April 29th 1924, at 7.30pm.

Present: Mr AE Mitchell (Chairman)
Mr F Stokes
Mr RL Weston
Mr T White
Mr G Geeson
Mr G Turner
Mr H Shentall
WH Atrill

In attendance H Parkes, Manager; JR Black, Secretary.

Minutes The minutes of the previous meeting were read, confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

Gate Receipts The Statement of Gate Receipts was read and approved.

Programmes The Statement of Programme Sales was read and approved.

Bank A/c The Statement of the Bank Account was read and approved and it was agreed the following cheques be drawn:

H Parkes	Wages	158.4.6
Customs & Excise	Tax	36.3.1
H & J Hancock Ltd	Travelling	10.10.0
H Parkes	Petty Cash	5.18.5
		£210.16.0

Manager's Report A letter was read from Mr JJ Caffery, asking for the use of the Ground for Saturday May 3rd 1924 after the Ashington match for the Bayley Cup Final and it was agreed the Ground be loaned at a fee of £1.

WH Cropper attended.

Manager's Salary It was agreed that the Manager's salary be increased to £7 per week, commencing from May 5th, 1924.

Players The question of players was discussed and it was agreed that the following players be placed on the retained list: Birch, Dennis, Potts, Saxby, Edwards, Thompson, Lane, Whitfield, Fisher, Crockford, Wass, Oxley, Milner, Mellor, Whitworth, Widdowson and Littlewood.
That the following players be placed on the open to transfer list at the fees stated. McIntyre: £100. Greatorex: £50. Sharp £200. That the fees at present on Bradbury and Garratt be renewed, that Smithurst be granted a free transfer and that all players remaining on the books of the club be granted free transfers.

Trainer The question of Trainer was discussed and it was agreed that Thacker's agreement continue after May 3rd 1924, pending a report by the Chairman and Vice-chairman.

(Note that this minute was amended in the book: it originally read "...that Thacker's agreement not be renewed after May 3rd 1924, any application by Thacker for re-appointment to be dealt with by the Chairman and Vice-chairman.")

H Cropper
Chairman
May 6th 1924.