

In attendance: Andy Roberts (Chair), John Morgan (Acting Secretary), Robert Souster, Keith Buckby, Derek Krajewski, Dave Rawlings, Bob Clarke

Visitors: Kevin Simons, Phil Bignell, Tom Cliffe, Charles Commins, Adrian Budd

Apologies: Barry Collins, Stefan Krywawych, Simon Miller, Ian Atkins

1.	Welcome
	Andy Roberts (AR) welcomed everyone to the meeting
2.	Minutes of meeting – 10 March 2022
	Agreed – proposed by Dave Rawlings (DR), seconded by Bob Souster (BS)
3.	Matters Arising
A	<p><u>Stand & Land and ACV position</u></p> <p>Andy Roberts (AR) summarised that the deal between West Northants Council (WNC) and County Developments Northampton Ltd (CDNL) – which is owned by Northampton Town Football Club (NTFC) – was agreed at WNC Cabinet on 8 March and is moving towards a legal contract.</p> <p>As Asset of Community Value (ACV) holder for land at Sixfields, the Trust has been notified by West Northamptonshire Council that it intends to dispose of the ACV land behind the stadium's East Stand.</p> <p>The Trust was granted six weeks to make a decision on whether or not to bid for the land and at a special meeting on 11 April the board unanimously agreed to invoke the ACV – the Trust now has until September 3 to submit a bid for the land, approximately 3.61 acres.</p>
B	<p><u>30th Anniversary of the Trust and NTFC 125 years</u></p> <p>AR reported that St Crispin's Social Club in Northampton had been provisionally booked, a date in late September/early October, for a reunion of 1970s NTFC players. Admission would be discounted for Trust members.</p> <p>Phipps NBC brewery will be producing a Trust Celebration ale later in the year. Trust discount to apply. A meeting has been arranged with Phipps for 26 April.</p> <p>It has been agreed to commission a painting of the Bristol Rovers 1998 match at Sixfields and for prints to be made available for sale. Trust discount to apply. BS to take forward with stadium artist Paul Town.</p> <p>The Trust has approached NTFC with a view to taking a table at the club's 125 anniversary celebration event in September. The Trust is waiting to hear back from the club on this.</p>

4	Treasurer's Report
	<p>Treasurer Bob Clarke (BCI) reported that the PayPal account in February had been cleared of £513.15, split in two transactions that had transferred the funds to the Co-op account. PayPal needed to be closed as Barry had found administration a nightmare and their charges expensive.</p> <p>Barry Collins (BC) confirmed he is happy with Co-op and is looking to switch the NatWest Travel Club to a second account with Co-op.</p> <p>Two cheques were written in February, one to Delta Simons for £2,400.00 and one to Helen for £615.84 including £71.95 for Zoom cost and £543.89 for Lonsdale mailout cost.</p> <p>A further payment was made in March to AR for £250.45 - retirement gifts for Helen Hickman, Stuart Taylor and Cheryl Byrne.</p> <p>The last balance at the Co-Op account is £52,304.</p> <p>BC has taken over the Travel Club accounts and has retrieved the accounts and cheque books from Helen Hickman.</p> <p>There is £11,917 in the account including the latest Mansfield trip which netted a profit of £305. Barry will issue a full schedule of accounts at the end of the season and transfer profits to the Co-op account.</p> <p>We will also look at profits for Club 500 and transfer those to Co-op. Both will be shown as income in the accounts.</p> <p>As reported last month, BCI proposes to look at other potential banks later this year including new banks like Starling to see what they can offer including provision of terminals.</p>
5.	Cobblers Travel
	As per Treasurer's Report
6.	Membership Report
	<p>The handover with outgoing Membership Secretary Stuart Taylor has taken place. Membership stands at 710. Discussion took place around the GDPR issues experienced by the Trust, evidenced by the debate among supporters which followed the Trust's member vote on the ACV which was held to inform the board's decision on the matter. Guest Charles Commins told the meeting that running the Trust's membership engagement through Mailchimp could be an effective way of reaching more members as GDPR compliance would automatically follow.</p>
7.	Club 500
	No update
8.	Correspondence
	<p>The only written correspondence has been with West Northamptonshire Council officers and members via email in relation to the stand and land development.</p>
9.	AOB
	<p>AR then went around the table to see if members had any other business to discuss: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Morgan (JM) said that the Trust needed to fill its vacant Board Secretary and Membership Secretary positions as swiftly as possible • Keith Buckby urged members to research possible uses for the ACV land and it was agreed to speak again to Tom Reed and Mott McDonald re the New Hotel End project and also get in touch with Andy Holt at Accrington Stanley FC to look at the

	initiatives they have brought forward, for example the sports hub.
10	Date of Next Meeting
	12 May 2022 via Zoom at 7.30pm