



Eastbourne Borough Walking Football Club Annual General Meeting

**Held in the Committee Room, Langney Sports Club, Priory Lane, Eastbourne on
9th January 2020**

Present:

David Blackburn (Chair), Terry Stubbings, John Langton, Roy Fouracres, Carl Hodgkinson, Brian LeGrove, Alan Walmsley, Chris Wheeler, Terry Whippy, Frank Claments, Roger Barnett, Tom O'Connell, Antonio Forte, Tony Cleaton, Michael Richardson, Gary Farthing, Chris Mottershead, Terry Bellamy, Bob Bagley, Ian Nisbet, John Bartlett, Paul Sutton, Ahmad Lalmahomed, Stephen Longbottom, Maurice Lawlor, Ken Eason, Phil Cousens, Mike Winton, Les Ward, Jude Hawes, Graham Skinner, Richard Dodman, Stuart Callf, David Blackledge

1: Apologies:

Chris Smith, Steve Benterman

2: Minutes of AGM 10th January 2019:

The minutes of the last AGM were approved. There were no matters arising.

3: Chair's report: David Blackburn.

See attached. No questions.

4: Secretary's report: David Blackledge

See attached. No questions.

5: Financial report: John Langton

See attached with one clarification: The additional £80 donated to Pancreatic Cancer Research comes from those playing football on Monday afternoons at Priory Lane.

6: Social secretary report: Brian LeGrove

See attached. No questions.

7: Publicity officer report: Terry Stubbings

See attached. Terry explained that he manages to get pieces published in the Eastbourne Herald 3 or 4 times a year but getting further coverage is difficult because it is not "news".

8: Club Captain report: Roy Fouracres

See attached. No questions.

9: Election of committee

The Chair proposed that, as there was only one nominee for each Committee and non-Committee position, the candidates should be elected en bloc. This was agreed with the following results.

<i>Position</i>	<i>Nomination</i>	<i>Proposed</i>	<i>Seconded</i>	<i>Elected</i>
Chair	David Blackburn	Brian LeGrove	Terry Stubbings	Unanimous with one abstention
Secretary	David Blackledge	David Blackburn	Terry Stubbings	Unanimous with one abstention
Treasurer	John Langton	David Blackburn	David Blackledge	Unanimous with one abstention
Club Captain	Brian LeGrove	David Blackburn	Terry Stubbings	Unanimous with one abstention
Press & PR Officer	Terry Stubbings	David Blackburn	David Blackledge	Unanimous with one abstention
Social secretary	Roy Fouracres	David Blackburn	Terry Stubbings	Unanimous with one abstention
Membership secretary*	Paul Sutton	David Blackburn	Terry Stubbings	Unanimous with one abstention
Vice club Captain*	Ahmed Lalmahomed	David Blackburn	Terry Stubbings	Unanimous with one abstention

*Non-committee positions

10: Resolution: That the Club organises one additional football session at Priory Lane on Monday afternoons for the benefit of its members or at another suitable time, subject to pitch availability. PROPOSED: Ken Eason. SECONDED: Maurice Lawlor.

The motion was CARRIED with a majority in favour of the sessions being organised on Monday mornings as the pitch is no longer available on Monday afternoons.

ACTION: Maurice Lawlor and Paul Sutton to organise the sessions and keep the Committee informed.

11: Any other business

A. WFA National Tournaments 2020: A tick sheet was circulated for members to indicate their availability for the National Cup tournament dates in 2020.

ACTION: The Committee to propose squads for the different age groups and to organize practice sessions.

B. Local Tournaments 2020: Agreed that the club will organise a tournament at Priory Lane at the end of June. ACTION: D Blackburn to speak to the Club about pitch availability on Thursday 25th instead of Saturday 27th June (for which a provisional booking has been made).

Eastbourne Sports Park Mini-League – Agreed that the club will continue provide players for both Eastbourne Borough and Shinewater teams to maximise involvement for our members.

Other Local Tournaments – Information awaited.

International Tours 2020:

Spain (May) Proposed tour abandoned due to lack of interest.

ACTION: Possibility of revisiting Spain in 2021 to be reviewed in November.

Teams from Scotland will visit us from 1st to 5th June and join us for competitive matches on Tuesday 2nd and Thursday 4th June. 3 pitches will be needed.

ACTION: Alan Walmsley and Tom O’Connell to organize activities including social events.

Portugal (October) 18 participants confirmed and two teams entered into the 7-a-side tournament in Olhao on October 15-16. Friendly matches to be organized as well. Flights and accommodation booked.

ACTION: Dave Blackledge organizing the trip. Roy Fouracres to set up practice sessions with the tournament rules.

C. Eastbourne Borough match sponsorship: The club practice of sponsoring 2 or 3 Eastbourne Borough first team games per year was APPROVED by majority vote.

D. Charity Events: The following events with proceeds going to charity were approved unanimously:

Quiz evening at the Fishermen’s Club in May:

ACTION: Richard Dodman and Tom O’Connell

Running football session 6th August:

ACTION: Roy Fouracres

E. Provision for New Members: Terry Bellamy asked whether the club should do more to integrate new members, especially those lacking football experience or skills.

ACTION: To be considered by the Committee.

12: Date and time of next AGM: 9th January 2021 12-15pm