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GOAL LINE TECHNOLOGY POLICY

Date of Review	Reason for review	Amendments
13/01/2011	New Policy Approved	Not Applicable
12/12/2013	Periodic Review	Minor Amendments
11/08/2016	Periodic Review	New format and Para. 5 added
09/11/2017	Periodic Review	Update for Technology Introduction
09/08/2018	Periodic Review	Revised Paras. 5 and 6

1. Introduction

This document is drafted in accordance with the Rules of Reading Football Supporters' Society Limited and sets out the Goal Line Technology Policy adopted pursuant to a resolution at a Board Meeting held on 13th January 2011.

2. Definitions

Definitions of the terms used in this policy are laid out in a separate Definition of Terms document, which should be read in conjunction with this policy.

- 3. STAR has always been in favour of the introduction of a technological method at each Football League and Premiership football ground and at any stadium where competitive England International matches are played to assist referees in deciding whether the football has crossed the goal line.
- **4.** It has held the view that a universal technological method should be employed which should be able to provide a virtually instant indication to the referee that the football has crossed the goal line without there being a need for a break in play.

5. It was pleased, therefore, that such technology was put in place with effect from the start of the 2017-18 season.

During the season, STAR monitored the use of the system in live matches, with particular emphasis on the following:-

- (i) that it worked; and
- (ii) that the officials communicated the outcome clearly and in a timely manner to both the players and supporters.

The conclusion of the Board is that these criteria were both met on the limited number of occasions that the system was utilised to take a decision.

It is agreed, therefore, that, unless shortcomings come to the attention of the Board, there is no need to continue to monitor the situation.

6. This policy will not be reviewed by the STAR Board, but members may call for it to be reviewed at any time by contacting the Secretary.