



READING FOOTBALL SUPPORTERS' SOCIETY LTD.  
T/A STAR (Supporters' Trust At Reading)

**Minutes of 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting  
5 September 2024 at 7.30 pm  
Royals Suite, Select Car Leasing Stadium**

Present:

Sarah Turner (Chair)  
Steve Benton (Deputy Chair)

Elected Board Members:

Adam Aust  
Matthew Batten  
Colin Bishop  
Melanie Bishop  
Johnny Hunt  
Sacha Liddiard  
Jack Simpson

Secretary:

Teresa Hicks

STAR members: 39 (18 in person and 21 by Zoom)

1. Apologies for absence were received from Vicci Elliot, Colin Ford, Dave Stevens.
2. The Chair welcomed members to the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting.
3. The Minutes of the 21<sup>st</sup> AGM held on 7 September 2023 were approved and signed as a true and accurate record of that meeting.
4. Matters arising – none.
5. Elections to the Board

5.1 Five candidates were standing for election to the Board. Peter Matthews, on behalf of the Election Sub-Committee, introduced each candidate in turn and all were duly elected:

**Johnny Hunt** was re-elected. Proposed by Peter Matthews; seconded by Jon Hall.

**Sarah Turner** was re-elected. Proposed by Peter Matthews; seconded by Geoff Biggs.

**Greg Double** was elected as a new Board Member. Proposed by Peter Matthews; seconded by Stuart Callender.

**Adam Jones** was elected as a new Board Member. Proposed by Peter Matthews; seconded by Graham Ford.

**Andrew Wearing** was elected as a new Board Member. Proposed by Peter Matthews; seconded by Mick Foster.

5.2 The Board will now comprise of 14 elected Board Members.

## 6. Chair's Report

The Chair gave her report for the year ended 30 June 2024. It had been an eventful year due to the ongoing ownership and sale of Club issues. Of particular note:

- STAR campaigned with other RFC supporters' groups in support of the 'Sell Before We Dai' project;
- Continued to build strong relationships with external parties and key stakeholders throughout the football community;
- Fundraising to support the Club with a focus on improving fans' matchday experience;
- Worked hard to improve STAR's communications including faster comms across all platforms;
- Special thanks to Johnny Hunt for his work with Talking Royals; and to Simon Day for his work with setting up a Disabled Supporters Association.
- Coach service continues to flourish with thanks to Colin and Melanie Bishop and their team of volunteer stewards;
- With thanks to all the STAR Board Members for their work on specific topics and projects – it is very much a team effort.

## 7. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer had prepared audited accounts for the year ended 30 June 2024, and the accounts were accepted. Proposed by Melanie Bishop; Seconded by Jon Hall.

## 8. Appointment of Independent Examiner

It was proposed that Knight Goodhead are re-appointed to examine the Society's accounts for the ending 30 June 2025 and this was agreed. Proposed by Jack Simpson; Seconded by Adam Aust.

## 9. Any other business – none.

The Chair closed the meeting.