

Shrimps Trust meeting with MFC Chairmen

Date: 25th January 2020

Present: MFC – Graham Howse, Rod Taylor

Shrimps Trust - Steve Doran, Ron Freear, Ian Lyon, Stuart Rae, Jack Steer

Current situation with Andy Fleming – Andy has submitted medical forms to the PFA (Professional Footballers' Association), and the club are continuing to honour his contract until the matter is resolved.

Update on the roof over the back of the Ace Scaffolding Stand – Commercial Manager Martin Thomas is working on it, and the club hope to have some good news shortly. Martin will approach the Trust with news, costs, and a request for financial assistance (Shrimps Trust have been fundraising for this project for over a year now).

Club Centenary plans – MFC have just finalised shirt designs with Macron for the centenary season, and there will be a retro element to these shirts. New directors Charlie Appleyard and James Wakefield have been working on this and other issues, and their assistance is greatly appreciated by the co-chairmen. There are also plans for a few popular events for the centenary year, including hopefully a prestige centenary game at the Globe. Ian Lyon suggested a cricket match featuring MFC at Woodhill Lane, where the club started in 1920.

Re Companies House news on 3 bids received by the administrators for PMG Leisure for the 3G pitches, gym, security control room to the rear of the Globe Arena: this was generally dismissed as old news. The club have no concerns, they fully expect to get these facilities back under MFC control eventually, but there is a lot of horse trading over the price, especially with the building gradually deteriorating and the pitches needing extensive repairs.

The co-chairmen noted that the club owners have put their hands in their pockets during the January transfer window to finance the new players. Lewis Alessandra was actually offered an extension to his contract, but declined the offer.

As part of a communications initiative, the club will be publishing the

Boardroom News from each home programme on the club website the following Monday.

The club appealed to Trust members for any practical assistance with odd jobs at the Globe Arena over the next few months. Please contact the Trust [here](#) if you would like to offer your services.

There will be a Fans' Forum in the near future (possibly February or March) with Derek Adams and several players. Stay tuned for more details!

The next MFC / Shrimps Trust meeting will take place on Saturday 14th March 2020, before the Plymouth Argyle game.