

PAPER 2 – MEMBERS’ RESOLUTION RE: MEET THE MANAGER

The following members’ resolution was submitted to the Trust Secretary in accordance with rule 23 of the Society’s rules. You can find the rules at <http://thedonstrust.org/constitution/>

Resolution submitted by Xavier Wiggins:

"I would like to propose a motion that there are four Meet the Manager events per year, with one of those being online to cater for Dons Trust Members who cannot attend meetings. This motion is, simply, to better inform the Dons Trust Members of playing matters."

This motion has also been supported by Dons Trust members Andrew Cassell, Matt Lowndes, James Macdonald, Nick Palmer and Charlie Talbot.

The Dons Trust Board is not formally making a recommendation for or against this issue, but would note the following points:

- We recognise that there is scope to increase the number of Meet the Manager meetings beyond the current level of (typically) one per season.
- Whilst very open to listening to members’ views on the frequency of these meetings, our initial reaction is that four Meet the Manager meetings per year might be excessive and might result in declining interest and fewer people attending.
- Whilst the first team manager is an employee of the Football Club rather than the Dons Trust, if the motion is passed, the Dons Trust Board will need to liaise with the Football Club Board to arrange the manager’s participation in these meetings.

Please note that, whilst this resolution is not a Restricted Action, rule 23 of the Society’s rules stipulates that a members’ resolution is only carried if it has the support of two-thirds of the members voting at a general meeting. This includes proxies as well as those attending on the day.

In the event that a poll (rather than show of hands) is directed or demanded at the meeting, in accordance with rule 46 of the Society’s rules, the Chair will cast those proxy votes left to his/her discretion in accordance with the majority view (following discussion) of those members who are present at the meeting.