

Dons Trust Board (DTB)
Report of board meeting held at 11.00pm on 25 August 2018
The Cherry Red Records Stadium, Boardroom

DTB members (present)

Matthew Breach (MB)
Roger Evans (RE)
Nigel Higgs (NH)
Tim Hillyer (TH)
Cormac van der Hoeven (CvDH)
Charles Williams (CW)

(via telephone)

Colin Dipple (CD)
Jane Lonsdale (JL)
Sean McLaughlin (SM)

(In attendance)

Erik Samuelson (ES)

1. Introduction and apologies

Apologies were noted from Board member Mark Davis (MD), in whose absence Matthew Breach took the Chair for the meeting.

The meeting was held at short notice. An email poll held prior to the meeting confirmed acceptance of Board members accordingly.

2. Summary of Discussion

ES ran through the history of the New Stadium project since the selection of Scotts as our contractor to develop the final design and detailed costs; a process known in the industry as a PCSA (Pre-Contract Services Agreement). For a number of reasons we had been unsuccessful in getting satisfactory proposals from Scotts, so ES was requesting approval from the Dons Trust Board to cancel the PCSA and to look to alternative contractors to provide us with detailed costs for the stadium.

The DT Stadium Working Group had already met with ES on this subject, so the main part of the meeting involved a detailed Q&A between ES and DTB members over the implications of making this decision and the impact on the programme.

After the discussion it was clarified that the appointment of a new contractor would be made by the DTB based on a recommendation to be given by ES and the Stadium Working Group. On that basis the DTB voted unanimously to cancel the PCSA and authorise ES to find suitable alternative contractors.