Tim Jacob - Manifesto 2026

As a wise philosopher once said, "*the only constant in life is change*." That feels particularly true today. Whatever the future holds, I think we can all agree that significant change is both inevitable and necessary for the Trust, its governance and the wider club.

As someone who has never served on the Board, I bring an independent perspective, an open mind and a fresh voice. I want to help shape a positive future for the Trust, define a new collective voice for the years ahead and, whenever possible, give members a clear, frank view of the challenges we face.

My passion for football spans my whole life, and I have been an AFC Wimbledon supporter for more than two decades. From the moment a colleague first took me along to Kingsmeadow, I was hooked —not only by the magic of live local football, but by the story, identity, and collective spirit of a fan-owned club. It's been quite a journey, and I want to help with the next chapter.

AFC Wimbledon was built by ordinary supporters donating their energy, skills, and enthusiasm to build something genuinely different. How we define fan ownership in this next phase is up to us, and I want to champion your ideas as we navigate whatever that path ends up being.

What I Will Bring to the Board

Time and Commitment: I am in the fortunate position of having the time needed to commit fully to the workload and responsibilities expected of a Board member.

25 Years of Leadership & Change Management: A quarter of a century working in technology recruitment and talent management has equipped me with experience in steering organisations through complex transitions, leading people-focused change, and building strong teams.

Boardroom Governance & Commercial Insight: My professional background includes working directly within boardrooms during private equity investments and business exits, alongside representing members of a national industry body that lobbies government on tax and employment policy. I bring an understanding and experience of corporate governance, strategic direction, and complex stakeholder negotiations.

A Supporter's View: Above all, I experience life as a supporter each week for 25 years: watching from the stands, queuing for a drink, listening to the podcasts and reading the blogs. I want the everyday fan matchday experience to help shape decisions wherever possible, and all your diverse voices to be heard and represented.

Why Vote for Me?

If elected to represent you, my key focus areas will be:

Listening: I am committed to a conversation with supporters from all corners of our fanbase, regardless of their views or membership status. I will always remain approachable, ready to talk, and eager to hear your thoughts.

Finding Consensus: Successful change depends on transparency and unity. We cannot satisfy everyone on every issue, but clear communication and honest dialogue can help us build common ground and keep members involved. As the saying goes, let's disagree agreeably.

Sustaining Our Community Roots: I want to help continue to build the Trust's impact in the local area and ensure we remain true to the ethos that makes AFC Wimbledon special, particularly during these critical upcoming years.

AFC Wimbledon owes its existence to the passion of its members and wider fan community. I would love to represent that spirit on the Board. Thank you for reading—and please vote, whoever you choose to back.

Come on you Dons!