

From the feedback received we have four questions we would like to table in advance for discussion at the meeting.

1. We know some of the names, but we don't understand the overall structure of the club. Can Mr Southern provide an organisation chart showing the off-field management structure that is in place?

As mentioned at the meeting the Club is divided into two sections, Footballing and non-footballing operations. Obviously Csaba Laszlo manages the first team squad and its related functions such as physios, coaches etc and Darren Taylor manages the football operations side of the business including responsibility for scouting for the first team squad and potential development squad players. David Southern covers all other aspects of the off-field business in his capacity as General Manager. Heads of the Club's different departments, ie. Commercial, Media, Ticketing, Finance, Security, Stadium etc report directly to David.

2. Children are the future of our club and should be encouraged to attend games as often as possible. Therefore, can the club consider admitting 2 or 3 children free of charge provided they are accompanied by a season ticket holder for the less attractive fixtures? They could be accommodated in the Jerry Kerr stand or the Shed as these are usually almost empty. This would also increase the value of the season ticket which was a discussion point at the last meeting.

The Club already have a number of initiatives in place regarding developing supporters of the future. Schools are given free tickets on a regular basis and the Club give over 400 "Season Tickets" free of charge to the United for Kids initiative. The cost of Children's season tickets, which is always the most effective way of encouraging children to attend as many games as possible are pegged at £18 for under twelves – that is only £1 a game.

3. Is there a maintenance plan for the stadium as it is starting to look in poor condition and is very noticeable. If so is it being implemented fully or has it been affected by budget cuts? Examples are; flaking paint, United crest on scoreboard with 'bulbs' missing, wrong coloured seats being used as replacements for broken ones, not displaying season ticket book numbers at turnstiles, grubby doors and railings externally, poor quality pictures on concourse televisions.

There is obviously a priority system in place when it comes to maintenance and up keep of any large premises. The stadium must pass rigorous Health and Safety checks by both the local Authority and the SPFL and every year the costs to ensure that the stadium meets the criteria runs into Thousands of pounds. Clearly though the priority must be financing a team to return the Club back to the Premiership. Once there, the increase in revenue streams will provide funding to address the stadium maintenance issues you raise. PS: Scoreboard has subsequently been fixed.

4. Some of our members commented that the question of opening cash gates at the George Fox stand has not been fully examined or adequately answered and see no reason why this cannot be in place for the remainder of the season.

There was a full debate on this during the SLG meeting on the 19th of November. You will find details of this, and other ticketing issues discussed in the published minutes.