26th meeting

Latest ATT Voices Panel meeting at PPG Canalside

- ATT Voices Panel meeting in May 2019
- Fans' panel meeting attended by Chief Executive Julian Winter, Operations Director Ann Hough, Head of Marketing & Communications David Threlfall-Sykes, Retail Manager Luke Cowan, Marketing Manager Jonathan Wilkinson, Club Ambassador Andy Booth and Supporter Services Executive Rachel Taylor

10 members of the Voices Panel were in attendance

Details from the May 2019 'All Together Town' meeting have today been released

The meeting topics were PPG Canalside development, HD1/Stadium update, Fanzone, parking, stadium shares, potential financial and operational impact of Brexit, Head of Football Operations and recruitment

Andy Booth opened the meeting by welcoming the Voices Panel

Apologies were received from Directors and members of the Panel

PPG Canalside development update

JW advised that phase 1 of the development relating to the new pitch should be completed mid to late July when the players return from Austria. New water tank has been installed already and this will be followed by a new energy centre. Investment and upgrades will take place on the academy pitches. Looking at amending the new main building to a two storey rather than three as not a need to relocate stadium staff to the training ground as gaining more office space at the Stadium. Relocating the current users of PPG Canalside to Leeds Road Playing Fields, the Club have met with these groups to advise. Town Foundation already based at Leeds Road Playing Fields planning and work to increase footprint to incorporate all the groups. Currently issues with the surveys which the Club and Council are working on.

HD1/ Stadium update

JW advised that plans are progressing, the hotel is due to be situated on the grassed compound area at the end of the Town Avenue along with some car park spaces. The Leisure Development situated in the St Andrew's Road Car Park is progressing. The HD1 project is a way for KSDL to bring monies into the stadium therefore helping all parties involved.

Parking

JW advised due to the building works at PPG Canalside there will be no match day car parking for the 2019/20 season. The Club have the Gas Works Street Car Park and this can fit between 1,200 – 1,500 cars in, so this will be promoted to supporters. As part of the HD1 project the Club on a match day will have 979 spaces along with spaces allocated for coaches

Update on Social Media policy (Action Point from previous meeting)

DTS advised that following on from the last ATT meeting in February the Club will have a position relating to social media on the customer charter that will advise supporters that the Club will not tolerate abuse to staff online and they will be liable for the same sanctions that apply to incidents on a match day.

AP RT to send statement to ATT Voices Panel

Fanzone

VP asked for an update on where the Fanzone would be?

JW advised due to the developments at PPG Canalside, the Fanzone would be relocated elsewhere

AH commented that the Club had identified a possible near the Stadium.

Note – details of this new location will follow on htafc.com when confirmed.

Stadium Shares

VP asked about the situation as Dean Hoyle had referenced the shares in his Q&A at PPG Canalside at the Manchester United game. He advised that he hoped Phil would put the shares in a trust, is there a set criteria for this and timescale

JW advised that this would be for Dean and Phil to come to an agreement

VP asked if the Stadium is valued as a community asset like Leeds United

JW advised yes the Stadium is a community asset, Kirklees Council have a 40% stake in KSDL

Potential financial and operational impact of Brexit

VP advised that HTSA representative had attended PL meeting where this had been discussed

JW commented that any player we sign before Brexit will be able to remain. The FA are working on other solutions

VP asked the Club's view on the ECA/UEFA proposals to reform European club competitions

JW advised that this had been voted on at the PL meeting and all Club's had voted against

Head of Football Operations and Recruitment

VP asked for an update on the role

JW commented that the Club had advertised today for a Head of Football Operations reverted back to this role as opposed to a Sporting Director as felt this wasn't the right fit for a Club like ourselves. Have three candidates already in mind and possibility of a further two. Phil, HR Manager and JW will be conducting the interviews. Head of Recruitment Josh Marsh and his team on with the recruitment for next season

AOB

VP asked if we could invite Phil to come along and speak to the ATT Panel

DTS – once the EFL confirm the deal for the transfer from Dean to Phil. The Club are looking at Phil doing Q&A's with supporters

VP asked if the ATT notes could be published earlier and raise the profile of the group and gain more members

AB commented that depends on staff work load on how quick we can get them published. Have tried to broaden the diversity of the group unfortunately a number of VP were unable to attend

DTS advised there is an article scheduled for the website to increase the numbers of the group

VP asked for it to be noted the thanks of the supporters to Nathan Hosker the Volunteer SLO who has stepped down from the position

VP asked if a new finance company has been sourced for Season Cards

AH advised finance company should shortly be in place and will be contacting supporters

DTS commented that no one has been declined. We have around 150 season cards left to get to 18k

VP asked if there is a date for the shirt release, still Umbro

LC advised no date yet for launch and still Umbro. Badge will be embroidered on the shirt. The Terrier Dog was only for one year.

Date of next meeting

July 2019