

Hykeham Tigers JFC
Special General Meeting Minutes
05 October 2008 8pm at the Lincoln Green Pub

1. Attendees / Apologies

Martin Wagstaff (Chairman), Mike Moore (Secretary), Adrian Doughty (Treasurer), Steve Lamming (Committee), Matt Moore (Committee) and Nigel Arnold (Committee) were all present from the committee. In addition Lee Mullins (Glenn Mullins), Carlton Capeling (Oliver Capeling), Jonny Wilson (Connor Wilson), Fiona Wilson, Simon Tuffs (Daniel Tuffs), Tracy Tuffs, Phil Barratt (Anthony Barratt), Sally Spencer (Josh Spencer), Mark Houlton (Jack Houlton), Steve Husband, Mark Williams, Mark Nott (John Nott) and Roger Page (Ryan Page) were all present as parents.

Apologies were received from Stu Beeby (Joe Beeby), Roger Cooke (Aaron Cooke) and Sean Gilbert (Committee).

2. Chairman's Report

Martin delivered the following report.

Can I say a warm welcome to everyone who is here for the Hykeham Tigers AGM.

The club has once again had an excellent year growing now to an impressive 12 teams and over 150 players. This now makes us one of the major clubs in the League and the future looks as though it may bring even more players and teams.

This year was also a great year for achievements, with the club collected three major awards.

The first of these was "Club of the Year" awarded by the Mid Lincs Youth League. This was awarded based on several categories:

1. Sporting marks from other teams
2. Team behaviour
3. Promotion and development of junior football.

The second achievement was the club obtaining Chartered Standard. The club has been working towards this for a long time now and congratulations must be said to all those who have personally attended courses in order for us to achieve this.

The third achievement was then to win the Chartered Standard Club of the Year.

We must be doing something right!

Another major change for the club was moving to our new home at Manor Leas School. The Usher School had been a great venue for the club last season, but

our growth meant that we needed more pitches. We were approached by Manor Leas, who were looking for a sports club to use their facilities after school and we now have four pitches, toilets and changing and a dedicated kitchen area for match day catering. The move has proved very popular with the club members and the school is very happy to have us on board.

The club is very keen to put on events and last season, we had an amazing Christmas Party, our first tournament and the Club Fun Day. I would like to say a big thank you to all the people involved with the organisation and running of these events, without whom it would never have happened. I would like to also pass on to everyone comments from people including teams at the tournament and staff from the Usher school who said that the events were extremely well organised and what a great day they had had.

Following on from these events, the club has decided that help is required and I am happy to inform you that a Fund Raising Committee has been formed to help with the organising and running of events in the future. I hope that everyone will support these brave people in their quest to ensure that we can be one of the best clubs in the League.

Moving on, I would like to say a personal thank you to all the managers, coaches and helpers. You give up your time for free and have shown dedication over the season. Running a football team is a big commitment, but I can ensure you that players, parents and out of club people are all pleased with the way the club is run and the opportunity we give to young children to enjoy football. I would also like to offer a warm welcome to the new managers and coaches for this season. I hope you will all make them feel welcome and assist them in their new positions.

As many of you know, the club has been very lucky in obtaining grants to help us provide equipment and facilities for the players. This year we managed to secure two grants, one for £9300 for new flood lighting and a grant for over £2000 to purchase a sea container, that will be used to store the new flood lights. The dark nights are now here, but unfortunately as you all know wheels turn slowly and although we now have the lights, the sea container has not yet arrived, but we do hope that the lights will be permanently stored at Manor Leas by the end of the month.

Finally, I would like to say a big thank you to the club sponsors. Without sponsorship, Hykeham Tigers would not exist and the generosity of the sponsors means that we can offer our teams strips, jackets and training aides. It has also meant that this year, the managers and coaches have been given a club top, which not only makes the club look more professional, but also makes the club a safer place by ensuring that players and parents know who are club representatives.

Thank you for all your effort and time and good luck to everyone for the season.

3. Treasurers Report

Adrian presented the club accounts for the financial year 06 April 2007 to 05 April 2008 and these were agreed by majority vote pending an audit.

4. Team Reports

Each team manager delivered a brief report on the progress and goings on of their team over the last season.

5. Election of Committee

The current committee were re-elected 'en bloc' by a majority vote.

6. Any other Business

No other business was raised and the meeting closed at 9pm.