



NC United Football Club
 Tolkien Way
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NC United FC – Club Meeting
Date: February 8, 2025
Time 18:00 – 19:56.

Meeting Minutes

Chairperson: Mark Neate
Secretary: Scott Marshall
Treasurer: Mark Duce
Trustees: Mark Neate, Scott Marshall
Location: Club Pavilion, Wellington
Next meeting: March 09th, 2026.

Attendees

<i>Sunday League</i>	<i>MJPL</i>	<i>Salop Leisure</i>
Alexander Hewlett (U7 White) Mark Brown (U8 United) Simon Coates (U8 Blue) Alan Thornton (U10 Whites/Rookies) Mark Brown (U10 Junior) Matt Maiden (U11 White) Matt Bates (U12 Blue) Donna Woodvine (U13 United)		Mark Duce (U17 United) Scott Marshall (Adult Dev)

Apologies	No Apologies (Fine Incurred)
Oliver Allport (U8 White/Rookies) Rich Vickers (U15 MJPL) Liam Pearson (U9 United/ U14 Blue) Sam Dauncey (U9 Blue) Mark Barr (U9 White) Simon Waterhouse (U10 Blues) Jack Cresswell (U12 MJPL) Scott Thompson (U13 Blue) Mark Neate (U16 United) Stuart Davies (U13 MJPL) Carl Askew (U17 MJPL/ U17 Blue)	George Carter (U7 United) Vytautas Simkaitis (U7 Blue) Tom Peach (U8 Silver) Sheree Brownhill (U10 United) Adam Saunders (U10 Yellow) Lee Waterstone (U16 MJPL)

Agenda

- **Chairman Report (Mark Neate)**
- **Secretary Report (Scott Marshall)**



- **Treasurer Report (Mark Duce)**
- **Welfare Report (Matthew Armstrong / Melissa Giles)**
- **Social Secretary Report (Mark Neate)**
- **Fund Raising (Richard Vickers)**
- **Sponsor Boards (Carl Askew)**
- **AOB**

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Meeting was opened by SM.

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<p>Chairman Report (MN)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Attendance:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ SM welcomed all coaches to the meeting and thanked those in attendance.○ SM expressed disappointment at the low turnout and reminded coaches of the importance of attending club meetings to ensure effective communication and alignment across all teams.• Chairman Availability:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ SM informed coaches that MN currently has increased work commitments and will have reduced availability for the time being.○ Coaches were instructed to contact SM directly with any club matters, concerns, or support requests during this period.• Subscription Fees:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ SM reminded coaches of the importance of ensuring that player subscription fees are collected and kept up to date.○ It was explained that outstanding fees can impact key club activities, including presentation events, purchasing kits, and general club operations.○ Payment options were discussed, with SM outlining previous systems trialed and explaining the reasons for the current payment process.• Coaching Qualifications:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ SM confirmed that five teams currently do not have a coach holding the FA Introduction to Coaching Football qualification.○ Some coaches have already enrolled on courses, and progress is underway.○ SM reminded all coaches that gaining and maintaining required qualifications is mandatory to remain compliant with FA and club standards.• FA Compliance and Enforcement:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ SM advised that Shropshire FA are actively enforcing coaching compliance requirements.○ Teams are being suspended where coaching staff do not have valid DBS, Safeguarding, and First Aid qualifications.○ It was noted that FA representatives are attending local fixtures to carry out spot checks.○ Coaches stepping back from their roles must notify SM immediately so they can be removed from the FA system and avoid compliance risks to the team.	



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<p>Secretary Report (SM)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Return of League Shields and Cups:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Telford Junior League have requested the return of all shields and cups from last season's winners.○ Managers in possession of any league trophies must arrange to return them as soon as possible.• League Free Weekend:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Saturday 15th February has been confirmed as a league-free weekend due to the half term break.• Silent Weekend:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Silent Weekend will take place on Saturday 15th March.○ Coaches are reminded to follow Silent Weekend guidance and ensure parents and spectators are aware of expectations.• Respect and Conduct:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Telford Junior League have reported that abuse towards referees from coaches has improved.○ However, there has been an increase in poor behaviour from spectators and parents.○ The league have confirmed that parents may be suspended from attending fixtures if misconduct continues.○ Coaches were instructed to inform the club immediately if they experience any issues with spectator behaviour so situations can be monitored and addressed appropriately.• Presentation Event:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Presentation dates are currently to be confirmed.○ Lilleshall are reviewing availability, and confirmation will be communicated once received.• 3v3 Format Update:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Telford Junior League are awaiting a meeting with Shropshire FA to confirm their position on the FA 3v3 format.○ Further information will be communicated to clubs once guidance has been received.• NC United Equal Game Time Policy:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ SM reminded coaches that regardless of league handbook guidance, NC United policy states that in non-competitive age groups, game time must be shared equally among players.○ This remains NC United's best practice standard and must be followed by all teams.• Girls Training Sessions:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Girls-only training sessions will be starting soon as part of the club's commitment to maintaining FA accreditation status.○ Communication will be issued shortly with full details.○ Coaches were asked to volunteer to support these sessions, which will operate on a rota basis to ensure sustainability.• Club Tournament:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ The NC United tournament has been provisionally scheduled for the weekend of 16th / 17th May.○ Final confirmation of dates and operational planning will be communicated once confirmed.	

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<p>Treasurer Report (MD)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Outstanding Subscription Fees:	



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<p>Fund Raising (RV)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Grant Funding Update:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ No grants are currently available from local councils due to the upcoming elections.○ Grant opportunities will be revisited once council funding programmes resume.• Sponsorship Opportunities:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ RV and AT have attended a meeting with a local company to discuss potential sponsorship of the club's Sunday teams.○ Discussions are ongoing, and the outcome is expected to be finalised within the next 8 weeks.○ Coaches will be informed of any confirmed sponsorship arrangements at the appropriate time.• Fundraising Activity:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Fundraising levels have been lower this year compared to previous seasons.○ It was noted that increased effort across the club will be required to support fundraising initiatives and maintain club resources and development.	

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<p>Sponsor (CA)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No Report	

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<p>Equipment (MB)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• No Report	

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<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Playmakers Update:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ AT confirmed they will be stepping down from running Playmakers at the end of the current season.○ It was noted that Playmakers sessions may cease unless another coach volunteers to take over the role.○ Coaches were invited to express interest if they are willing and able to continue delivering Playmakers sessions.○ Playmakers have been allocated 12 spaces for the Presentation Evening.• Rookies Friendly Fixtures:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Rookies will begin arranging friendly fixtures with other clubs.○ These are scheduled to start from the end of March onwards.○ The purpose is to support player development and prepare new U7 teams and managers ahead of the transition into league football.	



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