BFCISA Meeting Notes
Monday 2 November 2026

Apologies: Joe Redmond, Simon Jackson (for missing the start, but who joined when indicated below)
Participants: Oliver Norris, Graham Fox, Chris Wells, Sue Graham, John Robertson, Chris Johnson

Sue chaired the meeting throughout, with Simon's agreement

Meeting started: 7.30pm
Meeting ended: 9.00pm

The resignation of David Thompson was discussed and our collective thanks to David for his contribution to BFCISA are sincerely noted.

Notes From The Last Meeting (19 October2026):
The meeting notes were approved for upload to the BFCISA website.

Membership:
The latest number of members is 506, an increase of 12 from the last meeting.

Chris J requested help in checking if potential BFCISA members known to him have yet joined. Chris J is to send a list of names to Oliver to be cross-checked against the latest list of confirmed members.

Finances:
A net outflow of £27.01 since the last meeting has seen the bank balance reduce to £3,594.84. Now that membership has exceeded 500, an upgrade with Membermojo was required and this cost £123.21. New subscriptions brought in £96.20.

Next Meeting With BFC Officials:
Prior to the meeting Simon relayed to committee members that Russell Ball had messaged that he was still open to meeting with BFCISA representatives, but that it would likely be late November else early December.

Committee members asked that Simon contacts Mr Ball to expedite that meeting; the sooner, the better.

Ongoing Membermojo Issue:
Committee members expressed concerns that this issue remains unresolved, with one BFCISA member still not receiving BFCISA communications. After discussion, during which Simon joined the call, an action plan was agreed with the need now for urgent resolution.

Oliver is to again contact Membermojo support services, then the affected member is to be advised as soon as practicable thereafter when Membermojo has confirmed it has successfully taken necessary remedial action.

BFCISA Communications:
The formation of "working groups" utilising the contributions of appropriately 'qualified' members, under the leadership of a BFCISA committee member was discussed and agreed in principle. As a trial, BFCISA members are to be contacted to invite 'declarations of interest' in potentially joining a Football Finance-focussed working group, to be overseen by Treasurer, Graham. Simon is to pen a suitable piece for inclusion, by John, in the next newsletter.

There was further discussion about roles and responsibilities, decision making within the committee and the practice of routinely informing the committee on progress. Further, there was helpful debate on how to manage the various administrative tasks beholden upon committee members.

Oliver outlined the upcoming weekly sequence of member communications.

FSA and IFR Updates:
Sue informed that she has booked onto an upcoming "women in the men's game" meeting organised by the FSA. Oliver is scheduled to participate in an online FSA Championship Network meeting, but the 6pm start time is problematic given family commitments.

Simon is to prepare a list of questions to share with the IFR in follow-up to recent introductory dialogue. The committee will review and have the opportunity to edit the list before it is put forward.

Level Playing Field:
Chris J remains keen to for BFCISA to work closely with the Level Playing Field to help disabled fans of BFC to attend events, including games. Chris J is to provide committee members with written details of what such an alliance would entail together with clarification on how it could benefit BFCISA members.

Any Other Business:

a) Simon will draft a 'thank you note' to be sent to David Thompson, with committee members to review and add-to before it is sent
b) Monthly BFCISA newsletter – it was agreed that John coordinates and formats the content, but the responsibility to write pieces must be shared by committee members

c) Simon volunteered to prepare an article for inclusion within the next London Clarets publication, after John received an invitation to include a piece by BFCISA
d) An informal meeting has been agreed to by representatives of the Clarets Trust and BFCISA. Oliver will progress on behalf of BFCISA
e) Concerns about the management of pre-match "light shows" at Turf Moor will be raised by Chris W at the next SAG meeting, along with other matters including the provision of hand rails in the upper tiers of stands and stadium exit signage
f) John will contact Jane at the FSA to obtain contact details for the EFL clubs said to be excelling in their fan engagement
g) A new modernised BFCISA logo has been selected. Thanks to Oliver and John for their respective contributions
h) Simon suggested committee members should seek to convene for a festive drink to coincide with a suitable BFC fixture – date to be confirmed
i) Oliver will respond to an enquiry received from a reputable sports publication on the topic of finances in football
j) Sue agreed to pick up the task of preparing meeting agendas

Next Meeting:
Monday 16 November 2026 at 7.30pm (use the link previously provided)