

ARGYLE FANS' TRUST
SOCIETY BOARD ELECTION 2021
ELECTION MANAGEMENT GROUP'S REPORT OF THE
ELECTION PROCESS

21 OCTOBER 2021

As the Independent Scrutineer and Chairman of Election Management Group for the Argyle Fans' Trust Board Elections 2021 I am sorry to report that at the end of the period set aside for Nominations for the Election we have received only three valid nominations, namely:

Virginia Pike

Roger Willis

Susan Clark

As there were six vacancies this means we are four short of the number of nominations needed to have a contested election which is disappointing and something that the new Trust Board will need to address, both the continuing vacancies and the lack of engagement from the membership to stand for the Trust Board.

As part of my role, I am required to report whether the current Society Election Rules Regulations and Procedures and the Society Constitution were adhered to, and I can confirm that they were.

I have attached an annexe below containing the Election statements of the nominees and their statements for publication/circulation to your members.

Neil Le Milliere

On behalf of the AFT Election Management Group 2019

NOMINATION DETAILS AND STATEMENTS 2021

VIRGINIA PIKE Nominated by: Michael Perry and Greg Foxsmith.

I am happy to be nominated to continue working on the board of the AFT on behalf on members, Plymouth Argyle, and football in general through the Football Supporters Association.

ROGER WILLIS Nominated by David Hocking and Troy Mayne.

I was born in and live in Plymouth, and I have been an Argyle fan for 45 years. Quite simply I want Argyle to be the very best Argyle that it can be and then to improve some more.

I would like to see AFT and all Argyle fans at the heart of the club and the club to be at the heart of the local community as it uniquely represents the city of Plymouth and the wider local region nationally and internationally. You can read my thoughts about various things, but mostly Argyle-related, in my blog at babararacucudada.blogspot.com.

I have long since been sceptical that the authorities controlling football are particularly concerned with us, the fans, who ultimately pay for everything whether it be through buying tickets for games, subscriptions for TV channels, club merchandise or by purchasing the products advertised by the game's sponsors. As

individuals football supporters are easy to ignore but collectively as a Trust we have a voice which must be listened to very carefully because without fans the game is nothing.

I believe that AFT should be active nationally and engage with the Trusts of other clubs. Collectively we really can influence national policy on issues like policing matches, match scheduling, standing areas at matches, admission prices and far more besides.

I have been a member of the AFT board for a year during which I have helped to coordinate the introduction of our new website, been largely responsible for posting messages through social media, been at the heart of compiling the last 3 years' accounts (which in turn have enabled three successful AR30 registrations with the Financial Conduct Authority) and recently have been acting as Membership

Secretary.

If elected I will continue to help AFT in any way I can

SUSAN CLARK Nominated by: Bob Foale and Gareth Clark

My name is Susan Clark and I have been a board member for a few years now.

I have taken an active part and support the trusts objectives and aims.

I have taken an interest in issues that our disabled supporters may have at home or away games. I have supported a disabled fan for many years in attending games as their carer.

The past 18 months have been a challenge, but I have actively taken part in zoom meetings especially those from Level Playing Field charity who support disabled fans.

I have gained much knowledge especially in these uncertain times on how things change and how things are improving digitally.

I also believe at times an independent voice is needed to raise issues or make suggestions which the AFT have done.