

## The Football Group Planning Meeting Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019



### **Football Group Meeting Minutes**

**Present: DR (Joint Referee), GT, BMcl, EM, SC (Joint Referee), OO, HL-D, HMcN, SMcA (Manager), SM, LF**

**Apologies: JMcc**

**Staff in Attendance: SR, GF, AB, DT, AB, LQ, HMch**

**Date: Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

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### **Introduction:**

SR introduced the group and why we were all here. The purpose of the meeting was to identify how many players we had interested in taking part in the weekly football training sessions that take place on Wednesdays, with the group meeting at 12pm and heading up to the venue together.

SR asked the group and the staff to give themselves a round of applause as the charity football match that was part of Learning Disability Week 2019, the group has raised the tidy sum of £216.50 for themselves.

Since the charity football match there has not been a training session as there has not been enough numbers so the point in the meeting today was to establish if the group still want to make the weekly commitment to training each week.

We had a vote on this and the full group raised their hands in support of the group continuing on a weekly basis, but we all agreed that a few things need to be put in place to ensure this happens.

### **Action Plan for Service Users and Staff:**

- The group agreed that they wanted more people from Mainstay Trust to be involved and have asked if SR could send out an invitation to all service users supported at Mainstay informing them that they are welcome to attend the group every Wednesday and to meet at the Hub at 12pm and the group will Head up together or they can attend directly at the 3G Synthetic Pitches next to the Palace of Arts, 1152 Paisley Road West, Glasgow, G52 1EQ at 12:45pm as the training will start at 1pm
- The group agreed that the cost will be £4 per week to cover the cost of the pitch and a group member will give the receipt and any excess monies to FMcB upstairs in the Head Office as this will be logged and added to the groups finances which will in time accumulate and allow for more resources to be purchased
- SMcA (Mainstay Madrid Manager) has suggested that if a player from the group is unable to attend the training on a Wednesday then they should call the Head Office before 10:30am and state that they can't attend so that the staff running the group has an idea of the numbers that will be attending on the day. If a group member knows a week in advance that they can't attend the next week then they can let SMcA (Mainstay Madrid Manager) know at the end of the training session and he can log it with staff in his notes.
- As it is regular staff that are involved in this group they have also agreed that if they know they will be on annual leave that they will leave instructions in the Communication Books in services for the benefit of the staff member standing in to ensure they are signposted to the Support Plan that will help them also

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support the individual with the football activity and take part should they be fit enough to do so

- SC and DR will now share the responsibility of refereeing and take a half each and help each other with big decisions
- SR will link with GF about making contact with other providers to see if some matches can be organised. This will be done after the group is back up and running
- The group would like indoor training facilities to be explored in case the weather becomes an issues as this could cancel training for Health and Safety reasons- SR will explore this for the group and come back with some suggestions
- The group has agreed that the first training session back will be next Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2019 and service users will meet in the Hub at 12pm and training will start at 1pm at the:

**3G Synthetic Pitches next to the:**

**Palace of Arts**

**1152 Paisley Road West**

**Glasgow**

**G52 1EQ**

**at 12:45pm as the training will start at 1pm**

**A.O.B:** When the group is up and running again they would like to buy some more training bibs and water bottles for the group. The group will then buy more strips and maybe even get their names and numbers put on them.

SR to send out flyer invited all supported at Mainstay to come and be part of the group.

**Date of Next Meeting:** To be confirmed

**Location:** Mainstay Head Office