**Chairs Report – AGM 2019**

In November 2017, I was asked to be the CTSA chair after only 1 week earlier agreeing to join the board itself. I wasn’t prepared for this but as there were no other willing candidates I agreed, not fully knowing what to expect.

The CTSA had just agreed to donate £8,000 to the club in return for a seat on the CTFC board. Since then the Fan Representative (nominated by yourselves) has attended a handful of meetings - all of which have been instigated by the CTSA and all of which we have led the agenda. I am disappointed that in this time we haven’t met our club’s owner. Although I don’t feel this agreement has worked out how it was envisaged, I am pleased we managed to agree an extension to this arrangement so that the CTSA (and therefore the supporters) can have another season of close dialogue with the board. I personally feel that this dialogue shouldn’t come at a cost and should be common practice at every football club.

When I took on the mantle of being CTSA Chairman, I was determined to unite the supporter base and have one Supporters organisation. Despite discussions with GH Travel on more than one occasion, they don’t wish to move on from incidents that happened well before my time.

I am proud that we have collected and delivered more than 650 Easter eggs to Chestnut Tree House and raised nearly £3,500 at 2 Football festivals.

With the volume of work and family commitments I have, I don’t feel I have the time that the role of Chairman of the CTFC Supporters organisation deserves to make further progress. Therefore this will be my last AGM and I will be stepping down as CTSA chair on 30th September or when a replacement has been found, whichever is soonest.

I’d like to take the opportunity to thank the board members of the CTSA for all of their own time they give up to serve you the Supporters. I urge anyone who feels they would be able to help move the CTSA forward to contact myself or one of the board at their earliest convenience as this club that I hold so closely to my heart deserves to be represented by people who can make a real difference amongst our supporter base and the community.

To close I’d like to thank all the staff at the club who work hard to make our club what it is. Especially to Kelly, Joe & Erdem who were always willing to take questions no matter what they were.

Sam Jordan