

FINAL Minutes SSAG Meeting held on 3 June 2021 @ 11am Via Teams video conferencing

Attendees:	Sheila Roberts (SRO)	LBN – Licensing and Regulatory Services - Chair
	Edward King	LBN – Licensing and Regulatory Services
	Heeren Parmer	LBN – Building Control
		LBN - Licensing and Regulatory Services - minutes
	Pete Ng	LBN – Highways & Traffic Management
	Sally Burns	Public Health Newham
	Tim Madelin	NHS Tower Hamlets
	Derek Worsford	British Transport Police
	Sara-Ellen Williams	LLDC
	Michael Cannon	London Stadium185
	Jason Eglash	London Stadium185
	Peter Swordy	London Stadium185
	Anna Jankowski	London Stadium185
	Darren Raczkowski	London Stadium185
	Andy Sheldon	Metropolitan Police Service
	Lou Elliston	Sports Ground Safety Authority
	Matt Atkinson	St John Ambulance
	Rosie Watson	St John Ambulance
	Gonzalo Zenteno	Network Rail
	Stuart Phillips	South Eastern
	Steve Ford	London Ambulance Services
	Imteyaz Kurrimboccus	TFL Buses
	Ben Illingworth	West Ham United FC
	Nicola Keye	West Ham United FC
	Philippa Cartwright	West Ham United FC
	Tom Lish	Westfield Stratford City
	Adrian Howles	Westfield Stratford City
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1. Apologies

Meeting convened via Teams, apologies received from Peter Tudor, LLDC; Chris Mitchell, WSC; Gary Ashe, TFL; Graham Gilmore, LS185; Alan Skewis, LS185;

Minutes from the last meeting held 6 April 2021 agreed.

AGENDA ITEMS	Actions
2. Event Update – Strategic actions and learnings	
West Ham v Southampton Sunday 23 May- Return of Spectators LBN will submit their detailed match day debrief report once a new template is received from the SGSA. Highlights of the debrief notes shared with partners.	LBN
Issues around road closures and blue badge parking discussed in detail, LBN to request the deployment of parking enforcement teams on match day to alleviate parking concerns.	LBN
Comms between West Ham and LS185 was exceptional during the event, with compliments received from officials. No concerns noted from SGSA.	
MPS working with LS185 to ensure all CCTV is fully functional. The Chair reminded LS185 that one of the conditions on the premises licence is that recording is kept for 31 days, LBN to follow up.	LBN



3. Ingress and Egress Operation update and impact on travel hubs

Westfield thanked LS185 for the table top exercise which was invaluable ahead of the fixture with the return of spectators. Bespoke signage was in place and egress had minimal impact on Westfield.

No significant issues or impact on public transport noted.

4. SGSA Covid-19 Guidance update

No further update is available to current plans or pilot data.

West Ham informed partners that the Premier League have implemented covid-19 control protocols at the training grounds for the new season from the 1 July.

5. End of Season Report

Police

- Spotters at the BCD fixtures and autograph hunters
- Racial abuse allegation at the Southampton fixture
- Small controlled and managed protests during BCD fixtures

LS185

- BCD fixtures were all a success
- Good working relationships with all partners
- Two fixtures with spectators went well, no issues noted
- Major projects have taken place which include new floodlights and two new stands
- Antisocial behaviour at PML and other minor issues outside of fixtures all dealt with successfully with the help of the police and partners
- Large recruitment campaign for in-house stewards

West Ham expressed their concerns about crime/muggings at PML. Police to share details with local police and visit West Ham offices to speak to staff members.

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6. 2021 - 2022 season and capacity uplift

There has been a planning application to increase the football capacity from 60,000 to 62,500 for BAU. There will be a normal consultation process. A seating manifest will be required clearly identifying the restricted viewing seats.

LS185

LBN reminded West Ham that the wet seats manifest was due. LS185 to share with LBN.

LS185

7. Impact of qualification to Europa League

First range of matches should start early September. A full inspection was carried out to ensure compliance.

Fixtures will be played Thursday evenings which will push the normal premier league games to Sundays. The draw is planned to take place during the first week of August.

West Ham are partnered with a travel agency called Clarity who will be arranging and managing all the fans, team and VIP travel plans for away fixtures.



There has been a review of how the football games will be risk assessed for the new season, the police will adjust their plans accordingly with the Stadium.	MPS
MPS announced that the season will be busier and the police will work closely with partners to prepare and manage these fixtures.	
8. Coach parking and long term solution	
LBN announced that work needs to be done to identify a new coach parking location as PML is no longer available.	
LLDC raised this back in 2019 and requested a long term solution be put in place for coach parking. The multi-story car park and Northwall Road are potential options which can be explored.	
LS185 declared that there is no statutory requirement to provide away coach parking, however, they will work closely with West Ham and review away coach parking on a game by game basis. Discussions continued debating options and potential solutions particularly for the European games.	
LLDC reminded LS185 that available space in the park is normally booked in advance for filming projects and therefore may not be at their disposal, should they wish to secure space advanced requests be made.	LS185
LBN to be kept informed of the final decision and plans for away coach parking.	LS185
9. WHUFC Banning Protocol update	
LBN thanked WHUFC for the document submitted in relation to their banning protocol, additional information is required linking existing bans to persistent standing. Final document to be submitted to LBN.	WHU
LS185 will be restructuring the incident report to capture the root cause of each ban.	LS185
10. Public Health COVID-19 update	
Levels in the borough are currently relatively low. Slight increases in East Ham have been observed and public health are working with LBN enforcement teams to target areas of concern.	
Take up of the vaccination in the borough is still low, public health have several initiatives in place to help increase take up.	
Public Health recommend organisations follow good practice and routinely test staff to control and manage an outbreaks.	
11. Any other Safety Related Business	
No further safety related business noted.	
12. Annual Audit	
London Stadium annual audit is now due for review, LBN will be arranging a visit to examine the operations manual.	LBN



LS185 have engaged a safety officer to start undertaking the review of the crowd management and spectators procedures and will work alongside LBN at the review.	
13. Plans to screen Euros Euro fixtures commence on the 11 June. LS185 are actively working with private organisers looking at screening options. Plans which are currently tentative and not confirmed at present.	
14. Wingfest 24-25 July 4k tickets sold for each day with a waiting list of 3k people. Event day is 12pm till 9pm and event owners are keen to increase the numbers to 4,999 per day.	
Any other Safety related business NHS Vaccination Programme Partners discussed the potential of London Stadium being used as a vaccination centre.	
11. Date of next Football SAG Tuesday 6 th July 2021.	