

## **FINAL** Minutes SSAG Meeting held on Thursday 13 July @ 11am Via Microsoft Teams

| Attendees: | Sheila Roberts (SRO) | LBN – Licensing and Regulatory Services - Chair   |
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|            |                      | LBN – Licensing and Regulatory Services - minutes |
|            | Louise Jeffery       | Aniara  |
|            | Nicholas Brandon     | British Transport Police                          |
|            | Mark Ashley          | British Transport Police                          |
|            | Bes Yemane           | JLL Estate Management                             |
|            | Pip Thomas           | LLDC  |
|            | Tony Tolley          | LLDC  |
|            | John Walker          | LLDC  |
|            | Jamie Smith          | London Ambulance                                  |
|            | Graham Gilmore       | London Stadium 185 Limited                        |
|            | Peter Swordy         | London Stadium 185 Limited                        |
|            | Darren Raczkowski    | London Stadium 185 Limited                        |
|            | Anna Jankowski       | London Stadium 185 Limited                        |
|            | Jason Eglash         | London Stadium 185 Limited                        |
|            | Andy Fraser          | London Stadium 185 Limited                        |
|            | James Clarke         | London Stadium 185 Limited                        |
|            | Jan Chadwick         | London Stadium 185 Limited                        |
|            | Alex Collins         | Metropolitan Police Services                      |
|            | Malcolm Gillespie    | Metropolitan Police Services                      |
|            | Kerry-Ann Tilley     | Metropolitan Police Services                      |
|            | Andy Sheldon         | Metropolitan Police Services                      |
|            | Stuart Murray        | Metropolitan Police Services                      |
|            | Robert Skingle       | Metropolitan Police Services                      |
|            | Daniel Wood          | Metropolitan Police Services                      |
|            | Martin McGowan       | MTR Elizabeth Line                                |
|            | Christina Dockerill  | KeolisAmey DLR                                    |
|            | Umar Ali             | KeolisAmey DLR                                    |
|            | Graham Lehr          | St John Ambulance                                 |
|            | Rebecca Southcombe   | SouthEastern Rail                                 |
|            | Stuart Phillips      | SouthEastern Rail                                 |
|            | Darryl Morgan        | West Ham United Football Club                     |
|            | Nicola Keye          | West Ham United Football Club                     |
|            | Ben Illingworth      | West Ham United Football Club                     |
|            | Philippa Cartwright  | West Ham United Football Club                     |
|            | Sophie Lawson        | West Ham United Football Club                     |
|            | Gary Ashe            | Transport for London Underground                  |
|            | Imteyaz Kurrimboccus | Transport for London Buses                        |
|            | Chris Mitchell       | Unibail-Rodamco-Westfield                         |

| MINUTES     | ACTIONS UPDATE FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES  | CONCLUSION |
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| 2 August 22 | <b>Fan Behaviour and Code of Conduct</b><br>The Supporters Charter detailing sanction policies, procedures and appeals<br>process will be published on the West Ham United FC website for the new<br>season. <i>WHUFC to finalise the appeals process and will share the link</i><br><i>once uploaded to the site before 1<sup>st</sup> October 2022.</i> |            |
| 7 Feb 23    | <b><u>Update</u></b><br>WHUFC confirmed the Charter has been published on the website. SR stated<br>that it needed to be more prominent and searchable as it was hard to locate.  |            |

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|             | <ul> <li>SR also asked by the next SAG meeting the following actions:</li> <li>The situation regarding the panel and confirmation of the 3 members</li> <li>A comms plan / strategy around publishing of banning data and reasons (GDPR complaint) as this was identified as best practice ahead of a Premiere league review into the matter</li> </ul>   |            |
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| 13 July 23  | <u>Update</u><br><i>Still outstanding:</i><br>1. Link to the WHUFC Charter<br>2. Confirmation of the 3 members on the appeals panel<br>3. Comms plan/strategy around publishing of banning data   | WHUFC      |
|             | SL (WHUFC) to share link after the meeting.   | (SL) WHUFC |
| 2 August 22 | Any other football related business<br><u>Traffic calming measures on the North South Highway</u><br>A separate meeting will be held between LLDC, LAS, SJA, WHUFC & LS185<br>facilitated by LBN, to review and discuss in detail the traffic calming measures<br>in place around the stadium. <i>Initial and follow up meeting has taken place.</i>  |            |
| 7 Feb 23    | <b>Update</b><br>PT (LLDC) confirmed that all speed bumps have been removed and a new scheme will be designed and shared with partners for comment. The proposed removal of a limited number of the speed humps as an interim measure was not effective. Some increase in speeding has been reported by school parents. PT to feedback on alternative traffic calming measures being considered. SR raised concern that the remedial works should be instigated as soon as is possible. | )          |
|             | WHUFC to mention to players leaving post-match that dangerous driving / speed has been reported by residents.   |            |
| 13 July 23  | <u>Update</u><br>1. Traffic Calming measures - no further updates, still with planning<br>and details shared with SAG once finalised.   | TT (LLDC)  |
|             | 2. WHUFC Players have been informed and reminded about speed limits within the park.  | Completed  |
|             | 3. High-end vehicles observed racing down Cooks Road and Barbers Road on non-event days, LLDC are working on tackling this.   |            |
| 7 Feb 23    | SGSA update and match day observations<br>SGSA acknowledged the continuing improvement with the management of<br>persistent standing, although promote investigating the viability of safer<br>standing rails in the lowers particularly in home areas. The Stadium is<br>licenced as an 'All Seater Stadium' and therefore is currently not compliant.   |            |
| 2 May 23    | <u>Update</u><br>SGSA remain concerned about persistent standing in the lower tiers and<br>reiterated that the Stadium is only licensed as an 'All Seater Stadium' and a<br>solution to mitigate persistent standing and migration needs to be<br>implemented by LS185.   |            |
|             | It was agreed that there is still work to be done ensuring fans remain seated<br>in both the home and away lower tiers. <b>LS185 to continue working with</b><br><b>WHUFC on messaging and mitigation strategies.</b> SJA added that rails in   |            |



| 23 Jul 23   | the lowers would not leave sufficient space between the rail and seating to carry out any emergency procedures.<br><b>Update</b><br>There is ongoing work and meetings between SGSA and LS185 to consider these concerns and agree mitigation actions. SGSA added they would be taking more of an enforcement stance going forward. Building Control will be consulted. |  |         |
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| 2 May 23  | <b>Ejections on banning list</b><br>LS185 and the club investigate the source of the tickets of all fans ejected<br>and if found to be purchased from an unauthorised agency then details are<br>shared with the league and appropriate action taken. <b>WHUFC to confirm if</b><br><b>these have been included on the banning list.</b>                                |  |         |
| 13 July 23  | <u>Update</u><br>BI (WHUFC) confirmed that there are penalties for breaking of ground<br>regulations, seat migration and misuse of tickets. Once an investigation has<br>been concluded and particulars of ejection established, WHUFC arrange the<br>appropriate ban. SR (LBN) requested an up to date banning list<br>indicating those resultant from an ejection.    |  |         |
| AGENDA ITEN   | IS  |  | Actions |
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| Apologies received from: Matt Atkinson (SJA), Sara-Ellen William (LLDC), Peter Tudor (LLDC), Christopher May (LFB).   |   |  |         |
| 2. Minutes  |   |  |         |
| Minutes from the last meeting held on 2 May 2023 approved.  |   |  |         |
| 3. Strategic le   | earnings and actions  |  |         |
| 7 May 23 WH vs Man United KO: 7pm<br>11 May 23 WH vs AZ Alkmaar KO: 8pm<br>21 May 23 WH vs Leeds KO: 1.30pm   |   |  |         |
| LS185 announced that there were no major issues of concern at the last three fixtures of the season, BAU with some challenges around coach parking, which were resolved.                                |   |  |         |
| Police dealt with ticketless fans and drug related concerns. Leeds fixture was BAU with issues noted.   |   |  |         |
| 4. Ongoing concerns raised by DLR re fan behaviours at PML & NTH  |   |  |         |
| Following February 2023 concerns, more BTP staff now stationed at PML.  |   |  |         |
| PS (LS185) recommended a transport representative sit in SOR (egress operation) to benefit from the oversight and where reports/incidents can be actioned live on the day in conjunction with partners. |   |  | DLR     |

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| PS (LS185) announced that WHUFC at the London Stadium has the highest arrest record in the League, which is evident of the good in-house processes and strong partnership working.   |    |  |
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| GA (TFL) will reach out to DLR colleagues, to report in real time to SOR.  |    |  |
| Transport partners to share data with the MPS and BTP. WHUFC will review any data from PML and NTH and reiterated that good evidence is required to issue the appropriate ban.   |    |  |
| Bodycams are encouraged for data collection. CD (DLR) stated that body worn cameras will be in place from the first fixture of the new 2023-2024 season and CCTV is available to review. Bodycams are widely used at Stratford Regional. LS185 to share the contact number for reporting on the day with CD (DLR). | PS |  |
| 5. End of season report (LS185, SGSA, MPS, WHUFC)  |    |  |
| <u>MPS</u><br>MPS shared their summary of 2022-2023 West Ham United Football fixtures at the London Stadium.<br>There have been 27 1 <sup>st</sup> team fixtures policed at the Stadium plus one U18 FA cup Semi Final.  |    |  |
| 2022-2023 saw an increase in arrests for both home and away because of the proactive approach taken by partners and the package in place. Coach parking is working well.   |    |  |
| WHUFC are back in Europe for 2023-2023 season and the draw will take place on the 1 <sup>st</sup> September.   |    |  |
| Police would like to target youth restorative work and youth engagement piece for the new season.  |    |  |
| LS185<br>LS185 thanked stakeholders for their continued support and engagement.  |    |  |
| <u>SGSA</u><br>LE thanked all present and added that the police and LS185 had performed incredibly well. There<br>has been obvious improvements made all around, with persistent standing remaining a work in<br>progress.   |    |  |
| <u>WHUFC</u><br>Great season with the European win. Stewarding is improving and West Ham FC thanked partners<br>for their continue support with excellent cooperation from the stadium. WHFC are proud of the<br>proactive action taken at the stadium.  |    |  |
| <u>LBN – Certifying Authority</u><br>2022-2023 season has been a success despite all the pressures on LS185. Delivery and planning<br>has been excellent with policing running smoothly and increased steward confidence.  |    |  |
| 7. Platform 13 update  |    |  |
| LBN to organise a TAG (Transport Advisory Group) meeting to discuss and review the operational plan for Platform 13. It was noted that TFL are unable to manage the route without additional intervention. SGSA recommend and support closure during egress.   | АТ |  |
| 8. Safety related issues raised by fan groups  |    |  |
| <u>Height of the west stand wall</u><br>LS185 confirmed that the wall works well in preventing seat migration, which has been raised as a<br>concern by the SGSA. CCTV is used proactively and forms part of the overall enhancement strategy.<br>No specific concerns or issues noted.                            |    |  |



### Stop & Holds

This will be raised and discussed at the TAG meeting.

#### Westfield shoppers filming egress

URW have security and stewarding in place and will continue to move shoppers along as they usually do.

SGSA announced that based on the current attendance group of the SAG, it would make it unsuitable for supporters groups to attend. SAG have done their best.

### 9. Any other football safety related business

#### ABBA Arena

Organisers would like to continue to close Barbers Road during major stadium events. LBN raised some concerns and discussion will continue offline.

#### WHUFC Fixture updates

SP (SouthEastern) requested proactive updates be shared with transport providers when fixtures change. DM (WHUFC) to arrange and organise WHUFC

Taxi Pickup point

TFL Taxis have requested a pickup point for private hire during closures. It was noted that TFL Taxis had been consulted earlier and it was never raised.

#### 12. Date of next Football SAG

Tuesday 1 August 2023