



<b>Committee</b>	RICT, FPA, LCFC & Foundation
<b>Location</b>	Co-op Community Hub
<b>Date</b>	18 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
<b>Time</b>	1.00pm

## **Minutes of the RITC, FPA, LCF, and LCFC Quarterly Meeting**

**Date:** 18<sup>th</sup> December 2025

**Venue:** Lincoln City Football Club

**Chairperson:** Rob Bradley

### **1. Introductions**

- Apologies: David Lowes.
  - Minutes from the previous meeting (18<sup>th</sup> September 2025) were confirmed as circulated and agreed.
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### **2. Red Imps Community Trust (RICT) Updates**

- Regional Trusts meeting held in Grantham attended by local supporters' trusts, Kevin Rye (Think Fan Engagement) also attended. Discussion covered the Football Governance Bill and comparing approaches/stages of fan engagement across clubs.
  - Martyn Henderson (Chief Executive of the Football Regulator) attended the Trust Board meeting on 12 November. Update provided on progress and the Trust's work shared.
  - Trust accepted Rob Noble's invitation to be involved in a fan-led heritage strategy and looks forward to contributing with others in the New Year.
  - Youth focus survey is ongoing led by Emma Crellin and Anita Pritchard. Early results are encouraging, but response volumes are not yet sufficient; survey will continue via face-to-face and other channels to increase participation.
  - Trust shared a summary of typical matchday involvement and supporter-facing activities.
  - 1975/76 anniversary plans are in motion and Trust and FPA both willing to get involved where required.
  - Thanks recorded to club staff for support with an "AV player walkout" opportunity to be offered with potential use for Trust, Foundation and club activity.
  - Rob Bradley and Gavin Gordon attended an EFL Mental Health First Aid course and will share learning with the wider team.
  - RICT confirmed it intends to continue with the Foundation as an ongoing/permanent charity partner.
  - RICT wishes to revisit plans for a mental health support bench at the LNER Stadium. Prior location issues were a barrier; parties agreed to re-explore suitable placement.
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### 3. Former Players Association (FPA) Updates

- FPA AGM held at the Port Vale game. Thanks, recorded to the club for support and providing the room. Gavin Gordon confirmed continuing as Chair.
- Chris Travers has approached FPA regarding potential support/initiatives with the Academy (e.g., former player visit/talk). Gavin to meet Chris at the Cardiff fixture.
- A care home visit took place (Stones Place), generating positive feedback and interest from attendees connected to the Port Vale game.
- Discussion held regarding presenting the donation around the Bradford fixture.
- Former players attendance ongoing at games and Legends Lounge operations working with team sheets along with timeline for other locations in the stadium.

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### 4. Lincoln City Foundation (LCF) Updates

- Lincoln City Foundation's new strategy has been launched, setting out ambitions through to 2030.
- LCF reported its biggest year to date at £1.7m income and reiterated its aim to achieve further significant growth over the next five years.
- Update provided on plans to convert the former offices under the stand into a more usable indoor space to support 3G users.
- Lincoln Golf Club have chosen the LCF as their charity partner for 2026 with opportunities for events noted.
- ITV EFL highlights feature on the LCF cancer care programme scheduled to film on 13 January to air in January.
- City-based facility opportunities still ongoing.

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### 5. Lincoln City Football Club (LCFC) Updates

- Early concept designs for next season's shirts were shared and noted as iterations with further tweaks anticipated.
- Club shared headline results from EFL Fans Survey. Key highlights included high overall positivity and above-average scores versus EFL benchmarks across a range of measures, including engagement and matchday experience.
- EFL Family Excellence first visit report received with 9/10 overall rating and a strong early league position within the EFL.



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- Club provided a confidential update regarding an EFL-regulated Change of Control process currently underway.
- Update provided on planned capital works aimed at improving fan experience and matchday revenue, most notably improvements to the Fan Zone.
- Temporary big screen trial underway from Saturday. Commercial discussions ongoing with suppliers regarding costs and ongoing provision but planning to install a big screen in the stadium.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 18th March at 1.00pm.