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MANAGER'S NOTES

Good afternoon and welcome to the Avenue Stadium for today's game. I'd like to welcome Craig, his staff and players to the club and wish them the best for the season.

I'm sure the group will be fired up and looking to amend for Saturday. When you concede so late it always make a draw feel like a loss and there was evidently a lot of hurt in the dressing room after that match - and of course a lot of frustration with the new rules. I don't want to appear bitter but the issue of added time is one that we need to fix for the good of the game. There's a lot of frustration from managers all around non-league, including Harrow's. I don't blame the referee at all as he explained to us that under the rules, he had to add an additional eight minutes, then with stoppages for goal kicks, throw ins etc had to add an additional two-and-a-half minutes added added time and then another minute. It's farcical to ask part-time players who do not have the fitness levels of full-time pros to be playing 100-110 minute games - not to mention being limited to three subs. There is a lot of anger with other managers I've spoken to recently, so hopefully the FA will see sense and limit it to the top leagues, where time wasting is a problem. I'm not sure we see it in grass roots to anywhere near the same extent.

Despite that, let cannot kid ourselves that there's a few lessons to be learnt quickly from Saturday. I felt we were a bit too passive after Harrow's first equaliser and invited pressure onto ourselves. It's important for us that we rectify that and realise that those period's after you do concede are when you must be most switched on and vigilant.

But credit to the guys, I thought were we excellent in the second half once we went down to 10 men. Our shape when we didn't have the ball was very well organised and we made life extremely difficult for Harrow during a period when they had their tales up.

And then when we did have the ball we were a real threat on the counter attack. We passed the ball quickly and decisively and we got our just rewards with Shaq's second. So there were positives to come out of the game and we need to remind ourselves of that.

Cheers, Glenn

IN TOWN TODAY

The Winchester Football Club was founded in 1884 as a result of the endeavours of two residents of the city – Oxford graduate and former England Rugby cap Charles Sylvester Wooldridge and Huntingdon-born all-round sportsman (and, incidentally, inventor of ice hockey!) Arnold Tebbutt. The football club, which had strong links with Winchester College, made quite an impact in the early years of association football in Hampshire, reaching the final of the inaugural Hampshire Senior Cup competition in 1888 and providing a number of players to represent Hampshire in county-based competitions. However financial difficulties, combined with the indifference of Winchester residents, led to the 1884 club folding in 1893.

The decline of the city's most high-profile club left a void that was subsequently to be filled by the Winchester Swallows FC. Formed in 1891, the Swallows were less socially exclusive than the 1884 club and had a membership more reflective of that of Winchester as a whole. The club changed its name to Winchester FC at the start of the start of the 1894/95 season, and again in 1907 when it became Winchester City FC. Like the 1884 club, the Swallows appeared in a dark blue and white strip and played their home games at Bar End, before moving in 1896 to a field adjoining the Old Red Deer pub in Stockbridge Road, and relocating again to the Roebuck Inn in 1902.

The club first played in a league-based competition in 1896/97 when it entered the newly-formed South Hampshire League. Winchester FC won the title in this first season, and repeated that feat in the each of the following three years. The club joined the Hampshire League in 1898/99 where, after struggling during their first few seasons, they remained unbeaten throughout the 1904/05 season and won the League's Northern Section. The club also enrolled to the Southampton and District League in 1908/09, but with no notable success.

Like a number of other football clubs, Winchester City FC effectively disbanded at the start of the First World War in 1914, and didn't reappear until 1920.

The rebirth of the club signalled two significant changes. Firstly, the club had moved again, this time playing its home fixtures at the Fair Field at Bar End (now the site of the Bar End Industrial Estate), a site where it was to stay until the Second World War. Secondly, it adopted a new strip, discarding its navy-blue colours in favour of red and white stripes.

The late 20s and early 30s proved to be a purple patch in City's fortunes. The 1929/30 season saw the side again win the Northern Section of the Hampshire League, and achieve its most successful FA Cup run to date. That year saw City reach the fourth qualifying round of the tournament where a 3-0 defeat by Thames FC at the 120,000 capacity West Ham Stadium deprived them of an away trip to Fulham in the First-Round

proper. Any disappointment at this would have been forgotten two years later in 1931 when City lifted the Hampshire Senior Cup for the first time after defeating Andover at The Dell.

One of the key members of the team in that era was the teenage Ted Drake. A local gas meter-reader at the time of joining City, Drake went on to enjoy a successful career with Southampton before joining Arsenal and also collecting five England caps. The highlight of his subsequent managerial career saw him steer Chelsea to their first (and, until 2005, their only) league title in 1955.

Play was again interrupted by war in 1939, although the club did continue to play and took advantage of the presence of a number of enlisted players that passed through the city. The end of hostilities saw City move yet again, this time taking up a lease of the Army's playing field at Airlie Road, Stanmore.

The 1950s saw a second notable period of success at Winchester City. The side were runners up in the Hampshire League in 1949/50 and, in the same season, won their first Southampton Senior Cup final, an achievement which was repeated in 1951/52. The Russell Cotes Cup was also won for the first time in 1954/55. Success on the field was mirrored off the pitch as the club enjoyed some of its largest gates with crowds that regularly topped 1,000 filing into the Airlie Road stands.

It was during this period that the young Terry Paine ran out for his hometown club. His prodigious talent led to his being signed in 1956 by Southampton with whom he made a record number of appearances (713 over 17 seasons). Paine also made 19 appearances for England, the last of which was against Mexico in the 1966 World Cup finals for which he (belatedly) received a winner's medal in 2009.

Prior to the 1970s City had played virtually all of its competitive football, with the exceptions of the Amateur and FA Cups, within the confines of the Hampshire county border. However, after the club's Russell Cotes Cup victory and a creditable second spot in the Hampshire League in 1970/71 the club's Board decided to make the step up and enter the Southern League for the first time. City survived for just two seasons at that higher level, achieving disappointing final positions of 12th out of 16 (1971/72) and 21st out of 22 (1972/73), before electing to return to the Hampshire League.

For the remainder of the 1970s City yoyo'd between the top two divisions of the Hampshire League before a potentially fatal blow hit the club in 1981. In that year the lease agreement with the Army for Airlie Road expired and was not renewed. Briefly homeless, the club eventually moved to its current ground, a pitch leased from the City Council at Hillier Way. The ground needed a considerable amount of work to get it up to scratch, as did the team which had tumbled into the Hampshire League's third division by 1982/83. The ignominy of this decline was made all the greater by the success of local rivals Winchester Castle in the first division – City could no longer claim to be Winchester's premier club.

The continuing existence of Winchester City FC throughout the 1980s owed much to

the work of Geoff Cox who at various times acted as Chairman, Manager, Coach and Groundsman at the club. Under his guidance the club was eventually to return to the Hampshire League's top division in 1993/94.

The new millennium ushered in a period of unprecedented success for Winchester City. Prompted in part by the arrival of new and ambitious members to the Board, the club merged with Winchester Castle and began a rapid rise through the local league structure. Promotion to the Hampshire Premier League was achieved in 2000/01, and followed two years later by promotion to the Wessex League. The Wessex League title was secured at the first attempt.

That same season witnessed the club's greatest ever triumph. May 2004 saw City face Suffolk side AFC Sudbury in the final of FA Vase at Birmingham City's St Andrew's ground. Few that were there will forget the spine-jangling moment when club captain Danny Smith lifted the trophy after the 2-0 victory.

Further successes were recorded in the seasons that followed – 2004/05 saw City win the Hampshire Senior Cup for the second time, beating Aldershot 2-1 at Bournemouth's Dean Court ground, whilst 2005/06 witnessed the club regain the Wessex League championship and win promotion to the Southern League for a second spell.

City's return to the Southern League lasted three seasons. Financial problems, followed by a final day points deduction saw City return to the Wessex League for the 2009/10 campaign. Despite a concerted push to gain promotion back to the Southern League which ultimately proved successful in 2011/12, the resources required to sustain the club's position at that level proved elusive. Winchester City FC finished the 2012/13 season at the foot of the Southern league and facing an uncertain future. The late spring of 2013 saw a takeover at the club and, with a new Committee structure and financial backers in place, the 2013/14 season heralds the start of a new chapter in the history of Winchester City FC.

2013-2014 saw a season of re-organisation and team building, with City retaining a place in the Sydenhams Wessex League.

2015-2016 – City made a valiant attempt to take the Wessex title but just fell short to a very successful Peters field Town side who were rightly promoted to the Southern League. City under the Managership of Paul Masters then set about strengthening the squad to win the title next season when out of the blue they were offered a place in the Southern League due to a withdrawal. The Club were given 24 hours to pay their fees and attend the AGM in Torquay. A frantic drive by Director of Football Dave Malone saw him arrive just in time with the relevant papers and bank draft! As a result, our neighbours, Peters field Town, were moved out of Division 1 South and West to accommodate City and placed in the Central Division! City's first season back in the Southern League was a success with them reaching the play-offs final losing to Banbury United in the quarter finals, who were promoted and coming within minutes of winning the Hampshire Senior Cup losing on penalties to Havant and Waterlooville. City's preparation for this season were disrupted by the unexpected resignation of Manager Paul Masters in the middle of pre-season friendlies. The Club quickly filled the vacancy

by appointing Petersfield Town's Manager Ian Saunders to the post.

The club started the season brightly and made it to the fourth Qualifying Round of the FA Cup, beating US Portsmouth, Street and Truro City before finally succumbing to Harrow Borough. The club also had a successful run in the FA Trophy, thanks to wins against Petersfield Town, Fleet Town and Phoenix Sports before getting knocked out narrowly by Dulwich Hamlet. Craig Feeney and Howard Neighbour forced a strong strike partnership, added to that the midfield flair of Captain Stuart Green and winger, Andy Jenkinson, City recovered from a difficult spell before Christmas to mount a play-off push in the early stages of the New Year. Manager, Ian Saunders, went away with the military, and during this time, Mick Catlin stepped in to take over the running of the First-Team. When Saunders returned, form deteriorated and Saunders subsequently left the club and was replaced by Interim Manager, Craig Davis, who joined the club from Fleet Town. Davis took control of the club until the end of the season, when it was announced that he would officially be becoming Permanent First Team Manager.

'Davo' finished 11th with City in his first full season in charge, a season that saw a successful run, resulting in a Hampshire Senior Cup Semi-Final where City eventually lost to Blackfield & Langley. The Citizens also hosted Southampton FC in the Southampton Senior Cup and achieved memorable league victories against Didcot Town, Evesham United, Swindon Supermarine and Wimborne Town as well as impressive away draws at both Swindon Supermarine and Salisbury, the latter seeing City come from 2-0 down to salvage a point at the Raymond McEnhill Stadium.

In the 2018-19, City had an impressive pre-season including victories over Dorchester Town and Eastleigh. City started strongly in the league too. This went hand-in-hand with a cup run that saw the Citizens make it through to the 4th Qualifying Round of the FA Cup, following victories against Bournemouth Poppies, Frome Town, Merthyr Town and Cirencester Town before eventually losing 4-1 away at Torquay United. City's league form dipped slightly during this period but a strong finish to the season meant that City missed out on the play-offs on the last day of the season. City needed three points away at Cinderford Town, but the game finished 0-0 meaning it was in fact Cinderford that finished in the final play-off berth.

Tyrell Mitford, Joe Cook and Josh Harfield left the club during the 2019-20 pre-season and into the club have come Kieran Douglas, Keith Emmerson, Olly Balmer and Dan Williamson has returned to City. City performed well during the 2019-20 campaign and were 4th in the league with a play-off berth looking likely when the season was curtailed due to Covid-19. City made the First Qualifying Round of the FA Cup before losing to Taunton Town but impressive cup runs in the local competitions took place once again. City were also League Cup semi-finalists, securing £1000 prize money for doing so.

City had several Covid interrupted seasons, both of which would have seen the club finish in the play-offs in the Southern League Division One.

However, the 2021-22 season saw City reach the Southern Premier League for the first time in the clubs' history, beating Cirencester Town in the play-off semi-finals and Bristol

Manor Farm in the play-off final in front of well over 1,000 fans at the Charters Community Stadium.

Craig Davis' side began their first ever campaign in the Southern Premier Division (season 2022-23) with a challenging game against Poole Town. However, once the club got into its stride, the team picked up many impressive results along the way, including away wins at Beaconsfield Town, Swindon Supermarine and Tiverton Town throughout the season. City finished comfortably outside the relegation zone, an impressive feat for a club in its maiden season at this level.

This season, City enter the 2023-24 season after an unbeaten pre-season, which saw wins at Cribbs, Badshot Lea, Corsham Town, Downton, Laverstock & Ford, Christchurch and also an eventful draw at Westfield FC. City's first game of the season started impressively against Walton & Hersham, with the side 2-0 thanks to goals from Pip Nolan and Warren Bentley, but the game was abandoned after just 47 minutes due to a waterlogged pitch.

MEET THE VISITORS

CHARLIE PHILPOTT – Young Goalkeeper who has made the number one berth his own in his fourth season at the club. A Wales Futsal International with a bright future ahead of him. Philpott was at Eastleigh initially and served City as a loanee but has now signed for the Citizens on a permanent basis.

DANNY KING - Left sided defender, the club's longest-serving player currently and a real fans favourite. A teacher by trade, he has played for Chelsea and Southampton in his youth. Danny reached his testimonial year last season and had his testimonial at the end of the 2017-18 campaign. 'Kinger' also skips the side in the absence of Jamie Barron.

JAMIE BARRON – Re-signed from Gosport Borough Jamie has played for Salisbury, Andover, Sholing and Folland Sports. A winner of a Schools National Cup medal. Appointed Captain for another season and a really important player for us. 'Baz' has remained loyal to City despite interest from elsewhere and was integral in the club securing promotion in the 2021-22 campaign. Baz continued to skipper the side in their maiden season in the Southern Premier League and is still an integral player for Craig Davis.

SIMBA MLAMBO – Signed for the club from Craig Davis' former club, Fleet Town. Mlambo has spent some time in North Hampshire and was an Alton Town player before this. Can play wide or up front and a player with immense speed and power in the air. Another playing starting his seventh season with City. Simba works tirelessly for the cause and scores important goals as well. A firm fans, but also a favourite amongst his teammates, winning Players' Player of the Year in 2022-23.

MAX SMITH - Max Smith - Max has previous experience at Moneyfields and most recently and, Alton Town, before joining City ahead of the 2019-20 season. He started his career at the Portsmouth FC academy. Max scored some vital goals last season, including the fourth and final goal in the play-off final against Bristol Manor Farm in May 2022. A dynamic Midfielder that looked at home in his first season in the Southern Premier League and great things are expected of him once again this campaign.

WARREN BENTLEY - 'Wazza' returned 'home' in City's promotion winning season, after scoring over 100 goals during his last spell at The City Ground. Bentley left in 2016 to join Gosport Borough and has since played for Hungerford, Poole Town, Weymouth, Salisbury and most recently has a second spell at National League South side, Hungerford Town. A prolific striker and a firm fans favourite. Bentley was the club's top scorer in the 2022-23 season, scoring 17 goals and he also won the Supporters' Player of the Year award last season.

HENRY BROOKS – Young midfielder that made his senior debut for the club away at Mangotsfield United in December 2021. Brooks came off the bench that day, got an assist and a goal and has never looked back. At the end of his breakthrough season, Brooks signed a contract and has once again impressed throughout his first season as he gears up for his second full season at in the first team.

JACK TORNIAINEN – Jack joined the club last summer having left Eastleigh, where he had been part of the Development Squad. He started out as a youngster at AFC Bournemouth, where he served Dorchester Town on loan before switching permanently to Eastleigh. 20-year-old right back with a bright future ahead of him. Played a key role in his first season at the club and we are excited to see him action again this season.

DAN NEILD – Young midfielder that has joined the club last summer having received several accolades whilst playing for Weymouth U23s in 2021-22. Exciting prospect that scored some impressive goals for the U23s last season and also served Bemerton Heath Harlequins and Shaftesbury on dual-registration forms.

JOSH BERTIE – Josh is a highly-sought after talent that joined City last summer from Andover Town. He did sign for Dorchester Town two years ago, but his campaign was hampered by injury. A versatile player that can play in several different positions and is a powerful presence. Hails from the British Virgin Islands. Bertie served Bemerton Heath Harlequins on dual-registration forms last season but appeared for both the first team and U23s as well last season.

IK HILL – IK is a fans' favourite that has returned to the club following a spell away at Westfield FC. IK is a pacy, skilful wide player that excites supporters. IK suffered an injury early into last campaign, but once he returned to fitness, he grew into his role at the club and cemented his role as a popular playmaker. IK has had an excellent pre-season, scoring against Cribbs and Badshot Lea.

OLLIE GRIGGS - Combative Midfielder who we are pleased have re-signed. Griggsy has played for both City and Dorchester in recent years and has now signed for City once again. Griggs joined midway through the 2022-23, returning from Dorchester, and has signed forms again with City this summer for the forthcoming season. A popular and key member

CALLUM CHUGG - 'Chuggy' re-signed for City in October 2022 from Wessex Premier League side, Hythe & Dibden. Callum is a local lad who played an integral role in City's promotion winning campaign, in central defence. Lists Wimborne Town and AFC Totton amongst his former sides.

DAN WALSTER - Central defender who also returned to the club recently, in late September 2022, from Gosport Borough. Dan was involved in City's promotion winning squad in 2021-22 dual-registering from Aldershot Town U23s. A former AFC Bournemouth Academy defender who has also served Badshot Lea and Alresford Town on dual-registration forms.

CALLUM BAUGHAN – Young full back who joined City last season from AFC Totton, Callum has slotted in for his full back berth and made the position his own. A real asset on and off the pitch and a very friendly and popular part of the squad.

OLLY BALMER – Revered for being the scorer of many impressive free-kicks (Cirencester Town away most memorably), Olly Balmer re-joined City last season after brief spells away at Dorchester Town and Bashley. A former Poole Town youngster, Balmer has grown at City and become a real character around the club but is a handful going forward with an eye for goal.

JASPER SHEIKH – Young Goalkeeper who has signed on dual-registration forms from Aldershot Town. Jasper has featured heavily in pre-season and links up with the Citizens having spent last season in Aldershot's U23 side. An impressive prospect with a bright future ahead of him.

MARK JAMISON – 'Jamo' is in his second season at City. Mark joined last summer from Wimborne Town and was a reliable and dependable performer in the heart of the defence in the clubs' first ever season in the Southern Premier League.

DAN JONES – A young midfielder with a bright future. 'Jonesy' was a regular in the clubs' U23s last season and made several first-team appearances also. Jones is entering his second season at the club.

CONOR LYNCH – Conor has signed for City this summer from Bracknell Town and has made an instant impact with a prolific pre-season campaign. Lists Basingstoke Town, Hungerford Town, Binfield and Thatcham Town amongst his former clubs.

TREVOR CABORN – Trevor signed for City this summer from fellow Hampshire-based club, Alton. Caborn had an impressive season in the Combined Counties Premier Division South and joined City on trial this summer. A lively winger with electric pace, Caborn has excelled in pre-season and looked a real handful and is an exciting prospect for the season ahead.

SAM STEEL – Sam signed for City shortly before the start of the season from Wessex Premier Division side, Blackfield and Langley. Another impressive youngster, Sam has performed well in pre-season and is another defensive prospect for the Citizens.

PIP NOLAN – A firm favourite with fans and supporters alike, Pip Nolan has re-signed for another season. The former Team Solent and Brockenhurst man was integral in both the promotion winning campaign and also City's survival season in the Southern Premier League last season.

TOMMY WRIGHT – An experienced and exciting forward, Tommy Wright has joined Winchester City this summer from Havant & Waterlooville. Wright is a much-sought after forward who lists AFC Totton and Sutton United amongst his former clubs. A prolific striker with an eye for goal.

JORDAN ROSE – Experienced, powerful central defender that has signed for City this summer from Sholing. Jordan started his career at AFC Bournemouth and has gone on to have a distinguished career in non-league football turning out for Salisbury, Bashley, Weymouth, Bath City, Stockport County, Eastleigh, Hereford United, Hayes & Yeading, AFC Telford Utd, Tamworth, and Farnborough amongst others.

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AVENUE FANS 70

Good evening everyone and welcome back for tonight's game against visitors Winchester City.

It's a quick return to the Avenue after our game against Harrow on Saturday when we must have played the longest amount of additional time ever seen at this stadium..... however this wouldn't have been so bad if we hadn't conceded in almost the last minute, thus ruining everyone's afternoon!

The lads had put up a spirited and very determined performance after being reduced to ten men just before the second half and at one all I think most people would have been thrilled if they'd managed to hold on to that, given the circumstances.

Obviously the team were not of that mind and after Shaq put away the penalty to give us a 2-1 lead we didn't really look like giving anything away. Three points were within our grasp and then came all that added on time and the rest is history. ... fans ranting, manager ranting, and players probably kicking the dressing room walls in frustration!

There can't be many occasions when a draw can feel like a defeat but this was certainly one of them and after the admirable performance from our depleted team there was a certain amount of shock and disbelief that football could be so cruel!

Of course we should all know by now that the beautiful game really can be very cruel at times but at some point during the course of the season we may also have the chance to score the latest of late equalisers .. so here's hoping!

On to tonight and hopefully the Magpies will be fired up to get that first win and dispel the undeserved disappointment of Saturday ... please get right behind the lads and give them every encouragement !

I'm delighted to be able to tell everyone who continues to contribute to the 50/50 match day draw and also to our sponsor a goal fundraiser that your support for these two ventures raised over £3500 last season and this will be presented to D.T.F.C in the near future.

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Enjoy the game and as always U.T.M!

Annie

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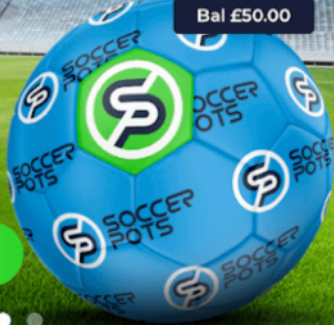
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