

MINUTES

Meeting of the Seagulls-DSA

Wednesday 10th December 2025 at 4.30

Zoom

In attendance

Gill Martin (Treasurer); Bryan Martin (Chair of Seagulls Disabled Supporters Association); Niraj Haria (Disabled Supporter's Liaison); Eric Williams (Special Advisor),

Apologies

Mark Butler (Social Media Coordinator and FAB liaison); Shana Pezaro (Special Advisor); John Jory (Membership Secretary)

Guest

None

<u>1</u>	<u>Welcome & Apologies for Absence</u> Bryan opened the meeting at 4.30 pm & welcomed everyone. Apologies have been received from Mark, John and Sharna.
<u>2</u>	<u>Approval of minutes dated 5th November 2025</u> Minutes were circulated prior to the meeting & approved by the Committee.
<u>4</u>	<u>Follow-up Items</u> Updates were given on the following: • AGM – No progress
<u>5</u>	<u>Chair's Report</u> The chair chose to use the minutes of a meeting he had with Katie Haines on the 27 th November as this covers all the current activities. • Disabled Parking – Car Park A – the process regarding the purchase of car park tickets, clarification regarding the need for blue badges, parking stewards were clarified. It is hoped the stewarding will improve for the second half of the season. • Parking at the Racecourse – occasionally Racecourse parking is not available when an event is taking place at the Racecourse, Bryan gave the commitment to warn DSA members in advance once a conflict has been identified. • Disability Access Stewards – four of the five stewards have been recruited and trained and are now in attendance at Brighton Men's home games. These stewards wear Pink Hi-vis jackets. Also, one of the Customer Services team, usually Joel, will be in attendance for most away games. Joel will provide support for all of our supporters should problems occur.

	• Various Disabled Fans issues: ○ Audio Descriptions are now available for both Men's and Women's games. ○ Unite for Access – discussions are taking place between the DSA, Foundation and Katie. ○ Disabled Transport for Away Games – this is work in progress with Ted Smith (procurement manager). Hopefully announcements should be made before the end of February. ○ Park and Ride – the club have installed benches for disabled fans waiting for buses. It is planned to have shelters in place in the near future. ○ Tours for Disabled Fans at the Amex – a trial of the proposed tour will be tested on the 14th January. ○ British Sign Language – it is planned to have BSL on the screens in the near future. ○ Nimbus Card – Bryan is planned to look into the use of Nimbus cards for disabled fans in January.
<u>6</u>	<u>Treasurer's Report</u> Gill provided a summary of transactions for November. This showed an expenditure of £24.20 leaving a closing Bank balance of £305.63. It will be important to plan a fund-raising activity before the end of the year. It is planned that the cost of Membermojo will increase by 71.03 as our membership exceeds 100. This will happen in December as members from the Gmail account were transferred.
<u>7</u>	<u>Visits to Level Playing Field event at Southampton FC and Premier League meeting at Arsenal.</u> Gill gave a summary of attending both of these events. It is great that the DSA has the opportunity to discuss current matters including the new Football Regulator and Stadia 2 (sports stadium requirements) with other DSA members and club representatives.
<u>8</u>	<u>AGM and Companionship Meetings</u> These items are still outstanding due to the lack of SC members being available to attend.
<u>9</u>	<u>AOB</u> • None
<u>11</u>	<u>AOB</u> Date of next meeting proposed for Wednesday 4th February 2026 This meeting closed at 5.47.