

Blues lose vote, but board is given a second chance

No, but it may be yes

REPORT

By Sharon Walter

WANDERERS bosses failed to push through controversial plans to amend the club constitution, but look set to do so with a second bite of the cherry.

In a good natured two-and-a-half hour meeting at Adams Park on Wednesday evening, 140 of the 207 members present voted with a show of hands for the changes, while 58 gave them the thumbs down.

But despite the big yes vote, it failed to reach the 75 per cent needed to push the amendments through.

However, one member had already called for a paper ballot, and the club has now organised that for July 15. This has given the board a second chance to see the proposals approved.

The proposed changes had raised concern among some members as they included giving the directors the right to expel any member with no right of appeal and introducing new members at the board's discretion.

But a guarantee from chairman Ivor Beeks at last night's meeting to address the worries of members looks to have swayed opinion.

One member admitted: "If you had gone to last night's meeting not knowing which way to vote and heard Ivor Beeks speak then you would have voted for him. He sounded very honest and sincere."

If members now vote for the changes in the poll at the club next month, the chairman has said he will ok at the main points of attention.

And it appears to have gone down well with the members.

They look set to have won a right appeal clause over expelling members, along with guarantees that the yard will not bring in new members.

One said: "They told us that new members will not just be brought in, at won't be the case."

Beeks declined to comment on the meeting.

The poll, open to all club members, takes place between 10am and 1pm on Wednesday, July 15.



Point to prove: Wanderers assistant boss Wayne Turner

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Fixtures see Turner facing old side in opener

BLUES assistant boss Wayne Turner faces his old club in the first clash of the new season.

Luton, where Turner was first team coach, travel to Adams

Park on the opening day of the season on August 8.

Turner was given the boot by the Bedfordshire side before joining the Blues.

Elsewhere, the much-awaited home clash between Wycombe and relegated Manchester City will be played midweek.

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