

## **CANDIDATE STATEMENTS - AGM 2019**

## **Judith Lockwood**

I am Judith Lockwood and I have been a York City Supporter since 14<sup>th</sup> March 2017 and have been a Season Ticket Holder since. I run my own company and I work within the jewellery industry as a distributor.

My working background extends across diverse sectors – from retail to wholesale, FMCG, luxury goods, the gift industry, watches and jewellery to the motorcycle industry -spending over 25 x years in the jewellery industry. Gaining my experience across different markets and leading brand names, family companies and large corporations, FMCG and manufacturing.

I bring commercial focus, strategy, strength in building communication, people-development, logic and a "can do" approach. I am known for being positive, passionate, energetic, spirited, for seeing the bigger picture and being brave enough to act on what I see and not afraid to ask questions.

In the past I have been involved in the running of a British Super-sport and Super-stock race team. I also spent many years involved with British Super-bikes. I understand what it takes to put a bike on the grid (let alone finish a race) and the passion that fans have for their man, their team, their sport. I see and feel the same passion when I arrive in the David Longhurst stand on a Saturday or a Tuesday night.

I have previously sat on two jewellery industry boards as a non-executive director – the British Jewellery Association and the National Association of Jewellers – who represented an extremely diverse mix of retailers, multiples, independents, importers/exporters, manufacturers, brands, designers and crafts people. I am used to working with groups and individuals who have varied and wide opinion.

I believe I have a lot to give and equally as much to learn, it would be my honour to join the York City Supporters Trust Board.

## **Richard Hall**

My name is Richard Hall. I have supported City since 1971 and have been a season ticket holder for 20 years. I worked as a graphic designer/illustrator in Group Creative at Nestle for 28 years.

I took early retirement 11 years ago and have done freelance graphics and developed my painting and illustrating skills since then.

I enjoy team working and being creative which can be useful in the fundraising and publicity side of things.

I am pleased to put myself forward for the YCST Board and feel that I can help the Trust in its efforts in working together for the benefit of YCFC.

## Mike Brown

My name is Mike Brown and I've been a York City supporter for 39 years. I am a marketing consultant who has worked with over 500 brands during my 22-year career. I have been a director of several companies and have completed three sabbatical placements at Visit York and City of York Council.

I first joined the Trust board in 2002 and served on the football club board as Commercial Director for the two years following the Trust takeover. I was co-opted by the Trust board in April 2018 and appointed chairman in May.

I bring a wealth of business, commercial and marketing skills and experience that will help the Trust to improve its communications, commercial activities and brand image. It has always been an honour to serve the Trust and its members and I hope that together we can have a stronger voice.