

Name Rachael Brown

I have supported Coventry City for nearly 40 years and for most of that time I have been a season ticket holder unless, like many people, family commitments and money have made it impossible to go. I even worked on a tea bar at Highfield Rd for 3 seasons as it was the only way I could go so understand that sometimes people do not have the money or the time to go to football.. I have lived in Coventry all my life and work in Coventry.

I am a founder member of the Sky Blue Trust. I got involved in the beginning as I was concerned about the gap between the club and the supporters and although the Trust implemented the Joint Council which morphed into the SCG I still feel this is true and that is important that the supporters have a voice. Ultimately I would like supporters to have a place on the board and take part in the decision making process as they are the people that are most affected. Owners and footballers come and go, we are here for life. Football is not like any other business, we can't go anywhere else. Once you have chosen your allegiance that is it.

I was the first vice-chair of the trust and then became Chair . During this time I did the following:-

Helped to raise a petition with 4000 signatures to support the building of the Ricoh  
Spent the afternoon of the council debate on the Ricoh doorstep with councillors and in the balcony of the Council House  
Met with the club to stop them changing the badge  
Founder member of the Joint council (SCG)  
Ran the Academy Appeal  
Had many meetings with members and employees of the Council and the Higgs Trust and established the relationships which the Trust still has with them.  
Organised and chaired a public meeting with Supporters Direct attended by over 200 people

I stepped down as Chair in 2009 as I felt that there were people on the board who had more experience than me but was still an active member of the board until the trust went in hibernation .

I was reappointed to the board of the new trust and have served as Treasurer ever since. I have also helped organise both the marches

As I said before my ultimate wish is for the supporters to have a significant say in the running of the club. It should be run for the benefit of the fans who are not just customers but the heart and soul of our club. This is what the Trust was set up to accomplish and I would not be happy to leave until that has been achieved. I also feel that it is important that there is a woman on the board and would welcome more.