

CUOSC - AGM 2016

Candidates' statements

NORMAN STEEL

A fan of well over 60 years standing. Retired company director. In earlier years was a regular in the Paddock and have been a season ticket holder for many years. CUOSC has a hugely significant role to play both for the Supporters and within Club circles.

It has become crystal clear over the last couple of years when expressions of investment interest came to light that the Club is financially unsustainable unless change is introduced to the way it is run. Those changes have 'begun' and CUOSC has demonstrated it's willingness to negotiate with potential new investors over its own share percentage and other matters not only in the best interests of the Club but also it's membership. In this regard there remains much work to be done to secure the Club's long term well being.

BILLY ATKINSON

Local businessman. Involved with CUOSC since 2006. I look after finance for the Upperby Community Development Centre. Passionate about the Blues.

JIM MITCHELL

Manic lifelong Carlisle United fan. Still love the matchday experience and all that goes with it, including the crack and beer/cider. A Trust member from its inception and a CUOSC Board member for the last three years. Also Chair of CUFC's Community Sports Trust. I'd like to do a further 3 year stint on the CUOSC Board during which I hope we can play a part in better connecting the football club with the community, bringing in significant investment tied in with much needed succession planning and generally helping Carlisle United to move closer to reaching its potential.