

## Candidate Statement

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I am standing for the Dons Trust Board because I believe the Trust is worth running well.

I have supported this club through Kingsmeadow, through the return to Plough Lane, and through more league positions than I care to list. I have been a Dons Trust member ~~for longer than the records department can verify~~ for a considerable period. I attend the general meetings. I read the minutes. I notice when they arrive late, and I notice when they do not arrive at all.

— Vague reads better. Keep it vague. W.

Professionally, I have spent twenty years in operations and governance roles. I have chaired committees, closed committees, and on one occasion **merged two committees that turned out to be the same committee**. I know the difference between governance that produces outcomes and governance that produces agendas.

— Is this true?  
It is true. It was minuted. W.

Fan ownership is not the obstacle to this club's progress. It is the reason the club exists. But a model built on trust has to keep earning it, and right now too much of the relationship between the board and the membership runs on patience rather than information. That is not a scandal. It is a habit. Habits can be changed.

Some members will not recognise my name. I regard this as a strength. I arrive with no faction, no stored grievances, and no old disputes to be relitigated at my expense. Other members will know me from my drawings of the board. **I stand by the likenesses.**

— Should legal review this?  
We are legal. W.

What I am offering is unglamorous. Clear communication. Measurable progress. Fewer working groups, properly counted. If that sounds modest, I would gently point out that modest, delivered, beats ambitious, deferred.

I would be grateful for your vote.

— Approved. Publish the unredacted version. W.

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