



Summary of the FSSB Board Meeting – Tuesday 17 February 2026

The FSSB Board met on 17 February 2026, to review performance across all operational areas (“Towers”) and to progress several strategic and governance projects.. Six Board members were in attendance

Key points of discussion included the following:

1. Governance & Reporting

The Board reviewed the new Tower reporting process. While most Towers submitted structured written reports, some reporting formats were inconsistent.

Going forward:

- All reports must follow a clear written structure.
- Reports must include objectives, risks, budget position, active projects and key decisions.
- Reports must be submitted one week before Board meetings.

This ensures strong governance, financial oversight and accountability.

2. Football Update

On-field performance is improving and momentum is positive.

Any staffing changes must remain cost-neutral and within the approved budget.

Forward planning

- The 2026/27 playing budget will be agreed earlier than last season.
- Financial forecasting work is beginning immediately.
- Finance & Audit support has been requested to assist modelling.

3. Commercial & Media

- Coffee mornings and matchday hospitality continue to grow.
- Several sponsors have upgraded their packages.
- MKM has renewed sponsorship under new management.
- The away kit vote has launched (larger visuals will be published online to improve clarity).

The Board agreed to increase regular member updates, including rotating weekly features from each Tower.

4. Strategic Plan

An update will be sought on the release timetable for the Society's Strategic Plan to members.

5. Membership System

The Board reviewed proposals from Alistair Rowe concerning the membership systems and compliance, and agreed to focus on making gradual improvements and enhancing system integration.

Growth opportunities being explored include:

- Strengthening the ownership identity of membership.
- Recognition initiatives.
- Youth engagement via a proposed Youth Advisory Board.

6. Website & Communications

Work is underway to improve:

- Structured communications.
- Member suggestion systems.
- FAQ resources.
- A monthly members-only newsletter.
- Website integration and technical resilience.

A draft communications strategy will be considered at a future Board meeting.

7. Governance & Compliance

FSSB will register with the ICO and publish a Privacy Notice

A full policy review programme is underway to modernise Bury FC governance documents.

The Health & Safety Policy will be refreshed and formally signed off.

8. Stadium & Infrastructure Projects

Solar Panel Project

- Groundworks have started.
- Installation is imminent.
- An independently verified carbon report is being commissioned.
- A civic launch event is being explored.

Water & Drainage

Previously agreed essential works will be formally ratified once final clarifications are completed.

10. New Revenue Initiative

The Board approved in principle a Corporate Cup football initiative — a corporate team-building event programme at the stadium.

Closing

The Board remains focused on:

- Financial discipline
- Earlier strategic planning
- Strong governance
- Commercial growth
- Improved member communication

Further updates will follow as projects progress.

Thank you for your continued support and ownership.