

Newham Safety Advisory Group News (March 2022)

This sub committee meets to discuss issues relating to supporter health and safety that are covered by the Newham Safety Advisory Group (SAG).

We meet with the Chair of Newham SAG, representatives of LS185 that have responsibility for supporter safety, Head of Matchday operations for WHUFC, SLO team leader, Head of Marketing and Communications at WHU and our Dedicated Police officer. As relevant to the issues we raise, other attendees attend to answer our questions.

To date we have discussed the following:-

- Stratford Station development and implications for WHU supporters
- Street vendors within the Queen Elizabeth Park and adjacent locations.
- Stewarding
- Covid procedures
- Defibrillators and medical arrangements for matchdays

LS185 and the Club have committed to meet the ISC to discuss Stratford Station developments further and look at communication and further planning including investigating potential improvement to egress from the London Stadium, as part of the Stratford station developments.

Stewarding continues as an active issue the ISC/SAG and Club are working on. With street vendors we will be meeting with all relevant stakeholders, including the Club, to progress this.

The SAG subcommittee will be discussing the implementation of safe standing at the London Stadium with the Newham SAG and the Club, over the next few months ahead of the 2022-2023 season.

If you would like to read any of the full published SAG minutes they are available via this link

<https://www.newham.gov.uk/business-licensing-regulation/safety-sports-grounds>

Finally if you have an issue relating to Stewarding or any further questions, please contact Supporter Services in the first instance. However if you would like to discuss further or feel it remains unresolved, please contact the ISC and it will be investigated on your behalf.

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