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“Living in the Lewes District, I became an Owner of Lewes FC, after seeing a tweet about equal budgets for both teams and being the first club in the world to do this, a club that does things differently and is owned by fans.

From the beginning I found The Dripping Pan to be such a great experience; the football, local beer, watching from wherever and welcomed by matchday volunteers and staff. I've since brought many friends and colleagues so they can enjoy it too. It really is football done differently.

This season, I decided to become a matchday volunteer. It's been really rewarding to meet so many people that have invested time and effort in to making Lewes FC an exciting place to be. To me, it's this kind of engagement that can bring about success and make Lewes an exciting place to watch football be played and a wonderful place to be a footballer.

I want this amazing matchday experience to be maintained and improved, increasing matchday attendance and revenue and cheering on the Rooks to win. With the extra revenue assisting the playing budget.

I will use my 21 years experience working in a safety critical railway environment investigating high risk situations and making improvements, continually assessing risk and providing wellbeing and safeguarding support. I have 12 years working as a frontline emergency service worker as a volunteer. I believe that my learned experience and personal values would allow me to support the Club as a Director.

I voted yes in the Mercury13 sale Vote as based on information provided to Owners it was to best ensure that the women can press forward and the wellbeing of all players and staff and their own personal sacrifices. I was disappointed that it was discontinued but grateful it ended this way rather than a fundamental change in club operations which too detrimental to the Club as a whole.

I believe that there will have to be more volunteer involvement either in person or remotely, to support Club staff and operations, be that, in the community, behind the scenes or at match days and would like to use my previous volunteer resourcing activities from another organisation to deliver this.

There have been some exciting plans and ideas shared online and it would be great to have these evaluated and implemented or trialled, working them, whether they will be Directors or Owners.

I want to work with others, such as Vets and Juniors that use Club facilities and contribute their own time and money and see how access to facilities can be improved to better their experience.

I will ensure visibility about the Owners scheme at The Dripping Pan and in Town and it's vital to keep the local community and businesses and Owners that support from around the world, informed, involved and engaged.

If not elected, I will be continuing as a volunteer and will do anything I can to further the success of Lewes FC.