

Josh Annetts

My manifesto

I'm Josh, I'm 16, and I'm standing for the Trust Board because I want supporters to have a real say in what happens to Exeter City. Being young doesn't mean I only care about the noise on the Big Bank. I care about whether our club is safe, how decisions are made and whether people feel listened to.

Through Grecian Generation Z, I've helped put ideas to the Trust and Club Boards, spoken at meetings, volunteered and met people who care about City. I've also asked questions about the Club's finances and how the Trust communicates its decisions. I've also joined FSA youth activities. I'm not afraid to ask a question, but I know listening to the answer matters too.

First, I want better communication. Trust members should be able to understand what's happening without having to read pages of complicated documents. Short updates, clear answers and the chance to ask follow-up questions would help. If someone raises a concern, they should know what happened next, even when the answer isn't what they hoped for.

Second, I want more people involved. That means younger supporters, women, families, disabled fans and older members too. I would like more chances for supporters to help on working groups, share their skills and see their ideas taken seriously. I also want the women's and youth teams to get the attention they deserve.

Third, the Trust must look after the Club's future. Exeter City belongs to its supporters, and we can't risk that. I support proper financial planning, a clear target for emergency cash reserves and honest explanations when money is tight. We should look for sensible ways to raise income without losing what makes our club different.

I also care about practical things: matchday experience, safer and more welcoming spaces, volunteering and greener ideas that actually happen rather than just being talked about. I've seen how much fans do for this club, often in their own time.

I'm still learning, and I won't pretend I know everything at 16. Experienced trustees have a lot to teach me. But I can bring energy, fresh questions and the perspective of supporters who will be here for decades to come.

I don't want a place on the Board just to say a young person is there. I want to turn up, do the work and be judged by what I achieve.