

**Wednesday 10th September**

Hi Kim, James, Andy and the other one !!

So the lights have been up now for 9 weeks – time flies, just a shame they have hardly been on. I just wanted to write and say a massive thank you to all of you at Sports Lighting for the amazing job you have done for our football club Trowbridge Town FC.

Kim, it would be fair to say you and I seemed to hit it off from the start which immediately put my mind at rest although I have to be honest I was expecting to fail in my quest to bring floodlights back to Trowbridge after 28 years. How wrong was I.

You assured me it could be done, and I started to dream. We knew it wasn't going to be easy but once we got to the planning stage, I started to believe. I have to be honest I didn't let up this end, and I am sure that eventually I got what I wanted so the Town and County Councillors could get rid of me. From their meetings, a few hick ups dealing with **Boris the Bechstein Bat** who rocked up **once** on our two Bat Surveys and we were up and running.

Andy Poplett at Signify was brilliant, helping David and Gary get through to the point where the powers that be had to make a decision. Did Andy get his sums right on the Western and Northern hedges, he certainly did, and that is all down to you, and our odd looking **Bat Baffles** – which I have no doubt have helped us meet the planning departments very strict conditions.

So we get through planning, and then the time comes to get the bases in, great work by Chris Vaughan and his dad to dig the holes, and then we get to concrete pour day after James had worked his magic with the frames, plates, bolts etc. Watching that concrete going in and the way you all worked together was a day I will never forget, it was one of those once in a lifetime moments.

Fast forward to July. The organisation of the pylons coming in on the flatbed, unloaded in an hour and how once again as a team how quickly you got the pylons in situ. They looked a bit odd with no lights at the top but that added to the excitement to follow. The process due to your clockwork style planning was made to look so easy.

8th/9th July and two days I will never forget, watching the pylons going up and down as once again your superb teamwork got all the heads attached, Andy Hawkins sat on the floor in that heat wiring everything to the control panels... a little hick up on the control panel, and then the moment of truth and the one telling moment which made me realise I had contracted the best in the business. When those lights went on that evening, even the laymen amongst us knew something wasn't quite right. And being the pros you are, a solution was found and the lights adjusted. Sharing the moment at 10.15 on the 10th July with my dad, heart in my stomach wondering if you had got it right as we checked the work you had done at 7am that morning. They looked perfect and the shadows had gone, topped off by an RAF Atlas going over just as I switched them off, a flypast ha ha.

Kim, you know how much it meant to the whole town when you came up on the 16th of July for a sneaky town preview and test run, the wow factor after the 10 to 1 countdown, I watch that video all the time. Now we have to wait for a few weeks more for that first game, but I do hope you may be around on the 15th October to join what we hope will be a very large crowd to witness history.

Once again I thank you from the bottom of my heart for everything your company has done, you know I have already recommended you to others and will continue to do so as in my opinion and now experience of how you work, there is only one company to use.

From that initial call and email, the first meeting in a boggy Woodmarsh, you and the others have been brilliant and have done something for the club and people of Trowbridge that many before me gave up on, but as you found out, I don't take NO for an answer, I am without doubt at times bullish, sometimes potty mouthed and sarcastic in replies to what seemed at times to be the most ridiculous of questions, but it got the job done and I will never apologise to anyone for being that way. My emotions sometimes led my brain, but not apologising for that either. I will forever be in debt to Andy, Gary and David for everything they did. Amazing teamwork. And to Chris Vaughan and his dad, and those members of our club who mucked in on the times they were needed.

Every morning on my way to work, I drive through the White Horse Business Park, hit the roundabout at the top, look dead ahead and smile, and I will continue to do so until the day I die, and the legacy we all created is about to be put to the test, I for one can't wait.

Looking forward to seeing you soon.

Yours Sincerely  
**Andy Meaden**  
Chairman



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