

## WRITTEN REASONS OF THE FAST TRACK TRIBUNAL



### IN THE MATTER OF A WRONGFUL DISMISSAL CLAIM BROUGHT BY:

**Name of Club (the Club) Airdrieonians F C**

**on behalf of**

**Name of Player (the Player) Kyle Turner**

1. These are the written reasons for a Determination made by a Fast Track Tribunal which convened on Wednesday 24th March 2021 to deliberate this Claim.
2. In the fourth minute of the Scottish League One fixture between Peterhead FC and Airdrieonians FC on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2021, the Player was dismissed from the field of play by the Referee for Serious Foul Play.
3. The Claimants submitted a Claim of Wrongful Dismissal on behalf of the Player. In support of this Claim, the Club submitted video footage showing the incident in question and written submissions.
4. In order for a Claim of Wrongful Dismissal to be upheld, the Fast Track Tribunal must be satisfied, by way of evidence submitted and upon the balance of probabilities, that the Referee made an Obvious Refereeing Error in dismissing the Player.
5. In summary, the Claimant's submission was that the Player ran towards the opponent to block a clearance and realised his timing is off and changed his position to protect his face from the ball and there is a collision of bodies.
6. The Referee provided a statement explaining the act which he decided was serious foul play in that the Player challenged to block the ball and a clear foul committed. The Referee's view was blocked and the Assistant Referee advised him that it was serious foul play and a red card should be shown.
7. The Fast Track Tribunal viewed the video footage of the incident and carefully considered the written submissions from the Claimants. It also considered the definition from Laws of the Game in relation to Serious Foul Play.
8. Having considered all the evidence, the Fast Track Tribunal decided that the Claimants had been unsuccessful in demonstrating that an Obvious Refereeing Error had occurred. The unanimous view of the Tribunal was that the challenge by the Player endangered the safety of the opponent.
9. The Determination of the Fast Track Tribunal was that the Claim be dismissed and the sending off offence and original sanction should be re-imposed. The Tribunal took the view that the Claim was not frivolous and accordingly did not feel that it met the test required to sanction in terms of Para 13.13.8.
10. The Determination of the Fast Track Tribunal is final and binding on all Parties and is not subject to Appeal.