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A WORD WITH THE CHAIRMAN

DAVID EDMUNDS



WELCOME TO OUR CHRISTMAS 2021 NEWSLETTER, WHICH GIVES ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR INCREDIBLE EFFORTS, PERSEVERANCE AND COMMITMENT THROUGHOUT WHAT HAS BEEN A VERY CHALLENGING AND TURBULENT YEAR IN 2021.

HERE AT CHESHIRE FA WE ARE ALL VERY APPRECIATIVE AND PROUD OF THE WORK THAT YOU, OUR GRASSROOTS COMMUNITY DO WEEK-IN, WEEK-OUT, TO SERVE THE MANY THOUSANDS OF PLAYERS ACROSS THE COUNTY OF CHESHIRE.

WITHOUT THE DEDICATION OF CLUB AND LEAGUE OFFICIALS TOGETHER WITH OUR COACHES AND REFEREES, WE WOULD NOT HAVE A GAME – SO THANK YOU ALL FOR SUPPORTING THE GAME WE LOVE.

THIS LATEST EDITION OF THE “1878 NEWSLETTER”, IS TESTAMENT TO THE WORK THAT EVERYONE ACROSS THE COUNTY, INCLUDING OUR WONDERFUL STAFF TEAM, HAVE DONE OVER THE LAST TWELVE MONTHS – AND PROVIDES US WITH AN OPPORTUNITY TO CELEBRATE YOUR ACHIEVEMENTS.

WE HOPE YOU FIND IT AN INTERESTING AND ENJOYABLE READ, AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR CONTINUED INCREDIBLE EFFORTS, AND TO WORKING WITH YOU AGAIN IN 2022.

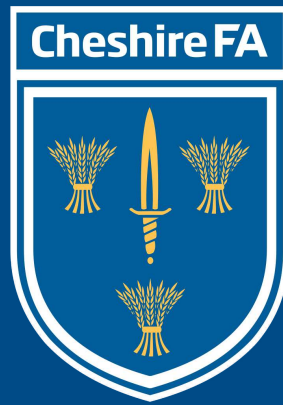
WISHING YOU A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS, AND A PEACEFUL AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR.

CHRISTMAS OPERATING TIMES

PLEASE NOTE CHESHIRE FA WILL CLOSE AT 12.00PM ON FRIDAY 24TH DECEMBER 2021 AND REOPEN ON TUESDAY 4TH JANUARY 2022.

FRIDAY 17TH DECEMBER	CLOSED	TUESDAY 28TH DECEMBER	CLOSED
MONDAY 20TH DECEMBER	NORMAL SERVICE	WEDNESDAY 29TH DECEMBER	CLOSED
TUESDAY 21ST DECEMBER	NORMAL SERVICE	THURSDAY 30TH DECEMBER	CLOSED
WEDNESDAY 22ND DECEMBER	NORMAL SERVICE	FRIDAY 31ST DECEMBER	CLOSED
THURSDAY 23RD DECEMBER	NORMAL SERVICE	SATURDAY 1ST JANUARY	CLOSED
FRIDAY 24TH DECEMBER	9.00AM - 12.00PM	SUNDAY 2ND JANUARY	CLOSED
SATURDAY 25TH DECEMBER	CLOSED	MONDAY 3RD JANUARY	CLOSED
SUNDAY 26TH DECEMBER	CLOSED	TUESDAY 4TH JANUARY	NORMAL SERVICE
MONDAY 27TH DECEMBER	CLOSED		





A HEARTFELT THANK YOU

**TO YOU, OUR GRASSROOTS
COMMUNITY, FOR ALL OF YOUR
HARD WORK, COMMITMENT AND
DEDICATION THROUGHOUT SUCH
A TOUGH PERIOD FOR ALL.**

JANUARY - FEBRUARY



MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR REFEREES

CHESHIRE FA ARE DELIGHTED TO BE PROVIDING MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR OUR REFEREES ACROSS THE COUNTY THROUGH THE NEWLY-LAUNCHED MENTAL HEALTH CHAMPIONS SCHEME.

THE TRANSFORMATIVE SCHEME, BELIEVED TO BE THE FIRST OF ITS KIND FOR GRASSROOTS MATCH OFFICIALS IN ANY SPORT, AIMS TO CREATE AN OPEN ENVIRONMENT SO THAT REFEREES AND EVERYONE INVOLVED IN THE REFEREE COMMUNITY IN CHESHIRE CAN TALK OPENLY ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH AND BE SUPPORTED.

AS PART OF THE SCHEME, OUR VOLUNTEER, JONATHAN KING, FROM WITHIN THE GRASSROOTS REFEREEING COMMUNITY, WILL CHAMPION THE IMPORTANCE OF MENTAL WELLBEING, ENCOURAGE CONVERSATION AND ACT AS A POINT OF CONTACT FOR ANY MATCH OFFICIALS AGED 18 OR OVER EXPERIENCING MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEMS, HELPING TO SIGNPOST TOWARDS PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES IF REQUIRED.



IF YOU HAVE A MENTAL HEALTH PROBLEM AND WOULD LIKE TO HAVE A CONFIDENTIAL CONVERSATION, THEN PLEASE FIRST MAKE CONTACT VIA JONATHANKING11@HOTMAIL.COM TO ARRANGE A SUITABLE TIME TO TALK.

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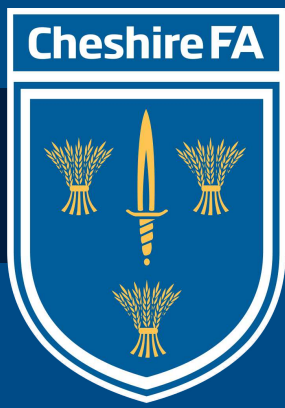
PARTNERSHIP ANNOUNCED

WE SEE THE VALUE IN OUR CLUBS UTILISING TECHNOLOGY AND IMPROVING THEIR RESOURCES, WHICH IS WHY WE HAVE PARTNERED WITH VEO TECHNOLOGY.

THIS WILL MAKE CAPTURING, SHARING AND ANALYSING FOOTBALL GAMES AND TRAINING SESSIONS ACHIEVABLE FOR ALL THE CLUBS IN THE COUNTY.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT VEO BY VISITING THEIR WEBSITE:

WWW.VEO.CO



MARCH - APRIL

NEW CEO ANNOUNCED

STEVE SMITHIES WAS ANNOUNCED AS THE NEW CEO OF CHESHIRE FA IN APRIL 2021.

STEVE JOINED US FROM HIS ROLE AS THE FA NATIONAL COACH DEVELOPMENT LEAD (D&I) HAVING ALSO HELD THE ROLE OF REGIONAL COACH MENTOR MANAGER FOR THE NORTH WEST.

STEVE WAS A VOLUNTEER WITH NANTWICH TOWN FC FOR OVER 10 YEARS AS CLUB WELFARE OFFICER, FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT OFFICER AND BOARD MEMBER.

STEVE HAS WORKED CLOSELY WITH CHESHIRE FA FOR NEARLY 20 YEARS ACROSS ALL AREAS OF GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL.

UPON HIS APPOINTMENT, STEVE NOTED, "IT IS A REAL PRIVILEGE AND HONOUR TO BECOME CEO OF CHESHIRE FA AND I LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING TO SUPPORT THE GREAT WORK THAT EVERYONE DOES TO DEVELOP AND GROW GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL IN A SAFE AND INCLUSIVE WAY."





CLASS OF 22

WOMEN'S EURO 22 LEGACY PROGRAMME



HOW TO APPLY

WE ARE LOOKING FOR FEMALES (AGE 16+) TO APPLY AND TAKE PART IN THIS COACH EDUCATION OFFER.

WE WELCOME APPLICANTS FROM ALL BACKGROUNDS NO MATTER WHERE YOU ARE IN YOUR COACHING JOURNEY. WHETHER YOU ARE JUST STARTING OUT OR HAVE BEEN COACHING FOR MANY YEARS WE'D WELCOME YOUR APPLICATION.

TO BE CONSIDERED YOU MUST BE COACHING REGULARLY IN ANY PHASE OF THE GAME (YOUTH OR ADULT).

PLEASE COMPLETE THE LINK BELOW BY NO LATER THAN

31ST JANUARY 2022



[CLICK HERE TO APPLY](#)



APPLY NOW



MAY - JUNE



WOMEN'S WALKING FOOTBALL FUND ANNOUNCED

THE FA LAUNCHED A BRAND NEW WOMEN'S WALKING FOOTBALL FUND TO SUPPORT THE CREATING OF NEW GROUPS.

CLUBS COULD APPLY FOR A GRANT TO BE SPENT ON START-UP COSTS SUCH AS; KIT / EQUIPMENT, COACH QUALIFICATIONS, VENUE HIRE, INSURANCE, MARKETING. IT HAS BEEN GREAT TO SEE CLUBS BEING SET UP ACROSS THE COUNTY, INCLUDING ONE THAT TAKES PLACE AT OUR MOSS FARM 3G COMPLEX. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PLAYING, CONTACT OUR WOMEN & GIRLS OFFICER: STEPHANIE.KNOTT@CHESHIREFA.COM

ANTHONY TAYLOR HEADS TO UEFA EURO 20

ANTHONY TAYLOR WAS SELECTED AS ONE OF JUST 20 REFEREES FOR UEFA EURO 2020, HEADING TO THE TOURNAMENT WITH HIS TEAM; GARY BESWICK AND ADAM NUNN.

WHEN SPEAKING WITH CHESHIRE FA, TAYLOR SPOKE OF HIS PRIDE AT HIS TEAM'S SELECTION FOR THE PRESTIGIOUS TOURNAMENT;

"THE SUCCESS OF BEING SELECTED IS VERY MUCH A COLLECTIVE EFFORT AND THE IMPORTANCE OF HAVING A GOOD TEAM DYNAMIC AND WORK ETHIC IS CENTRAL TO EVERYTHING WE DO."

ANTHONY DID THE COUNTY PROUD WITH HIS PERFORMANCE AT THE TOURNAMENT AND IN PARTICULAR HIS INCREDIBLY QUICK-THINKING WHEN FACED WITH THE COLLAPSE OF CHRISTIAN ERIKSON OF DENMARK. WELL DONE ANTHONY.





JULY - AUGUST

CREWE FC HOST THE KPI CUP 2021

ON SUNDAY 18TH JULY, 2021 CREWE FC HOSTED THE KPI CUP AT THE CUMBERLAND ARENA IN CREWE.

THE TOURNAMENT WAS A FOLLOW UP TO THE CREWE WORLD CUP TOURNAMENT THAT WAS SUCCESSFULLY DELIVERED BACK IN 2019.



THE MEN'S 7 A SIDE TOURNAMENT WAS ATTENDED BY 80 CREWE RESIDENTS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD WHO REPRESENTED THEIR COUNTRY IN THE TOURNAMENT. TEAMS REPRESENTING ENGLAND, EAST TIMOR, GHANA, POLAND, CHESHIRE EAST LEAVERS AND MORE ALL COMPETED AGAINST EACH TO CLAIM THE TROPHY.

DISCOVER MY TALENT PATHWAY LAUNCHED

ENGLAND FOOTBALL ARE LOOKING FOR PLAYERS TO BE REFERRED INTO THE ENGLAND WOMEN'S TALENT PATHWAY FROM ANY PLAYING ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING REGIONAL TALENT CLUBS, ADVANCED COACHING CENTRES, GRASSROOTS CLUBS, SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTS.

DO YOU COACH OR KNOW A TALENTED PLAYER? ONE WHO LOVES THE GAME AND HAS GREAT TECHNICAL ABILITY OR POTENTIAL. YOU CAN GIVE HER THE CHANCE TO BECOME A FUTURE ENGLAND STAR.

FOR THE 2021-22 SEASON THEY ARE PRIORITISING PLAYERS BORN BETWEEN 2005 AND 2009.

REFER A PLAYER DURING ONE OF THEIR 2021/2022 REFERRAL WINDOWS:

- WINDOW 1: 2ND AUGUST 2021 – 1ST OCTOBER 2021
- WINDOW 2: 8TH NOVEMBER 2021 – 7TH JANUARY 2022
- WINDOW 3: 7TH MARCH 2022 – 8TH APRIL 2022

#DiscoverMyTalent

SEPTEMBER



ONCE UPON A SMILE REACH THEIR 10TH BIRTHDAY

2020/2021 WAS A DIFFICULT YEAR FOR MANY CHARITIES, ESPECIALLY SMALL ONES LIKE THEIRS, BUT ONCE UPON A TIME HAS CONTINUED TO SUPPORT BEREAVED FAMILIES VIRTUALLY VIA 1-1 AND GROUP ZOOM SESSIONS, AS WELL AS SENDING OUT TAILORED CRAFT BOXES WHICH INCLUDE ITEMS TO MEET THE CHILD'S INDIVIDUAL NEEDS, EACH BOX CONTAINS RESOURCES TO PROMOTE POSITIVE WELLBEING.

Once upon a
Smile
we're here for you

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL INVOLVED IN THE CHARITY FOR REACHING SUCH A KEY MILESTONE – AND THANK YOU FOR THE CONTINUED BRILLIANT WORK YOU DO.

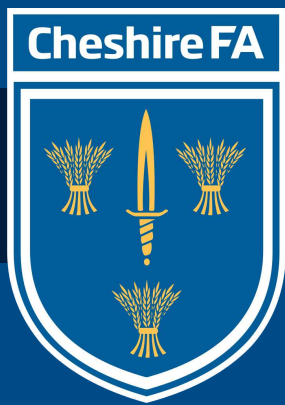
FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ONCE UPON A SMILE, PLEASE VISIT WWW.ONCEUPONASMILE.ORG.UK

CHESHIRE FA CELEBRATES NATIONAL MENTORING DAY



IN OCTOBER, WE CELEBRATED NATIONAL MENTORING DAY WITH A SERIES OF ARTICLES FROM MEMBERS OF OUR GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL COMMUNITY WHO HAVE BENEFITTED FROM THE DIFFERENT TYPES OF MENTORING.

THESE ARTICLES ARE AVAILABLE VIA OUR WEBSITE: WWW.CHESHIREFA.COM



SEPTEMBER

THE REF'S ROOM

30TH SEPTEMBER SAW CHESHIRE FA REFEREES DEPARTMENT HOST THE FIRST OF THREE SHOWCASE EVENTS FOR GRASSROOTS REFEREES IN CHESHIRE, 'THE REF'S ROOM', HELD AT ALTRINCHAM'S J. DAVIDSON STADIUM.

FIFA AND PREMIER LEAGUE REFEREE ANTHONY TAYLOR DELIVERED AN INTERACTIVE SESSION FOCUSING ON THE LAWS OF THE GAME, DECISION MAKING AND COMMUNICATION.



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SEPTEMBER

CHESHIRE FA GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL AWARDS

ON MONDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER, CHESHIRE FA HOSTED OUR GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL AWARDS WHICH CELEBRATED THE ACHIEVEMENTS FROM BOTH THE 2019-20 AND 2020-21 SEASONS.

THE EVENING PRESENTED AN INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO RECOGNISE SOME OF THE WONDERFUL PEOPLE AND PROJECTS THAT MAKE A HUGE DIFFERENCE TO GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL IN CHESHIRE.

THE EVENING, SUPPORTED BY CHESHIRE FA STAFF AND OUR CHAIRMAN, DAVE EDMUNDS, WAS WELL ATTENDED, WITH WINNERS CELEBRATED FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTY.



CHESHIRE FA'S CEO, STEVE SMITHIES, SAID: "IT IS SO IMPORTANT TO RECOGNISE THE GREAT WORK THAT GOES ON IN THE COUNTY."

"AFTER A REALLY TESTING TIME FOR FOOTBALL AND SOCIETY, IT WAS TRULY INSPIRING TO MEET OUR WINNERS IN PERSON. CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR WINNERS, AND OUR HEARTFELT THANKS TO THEM AND ALL OF OUR GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL VOLUNTEERS, WHO WORK SO HARD TO MAKE THE GAME IN CHESHIRE GREAT."



Cheshire FA 2020 AWARD WINNERS



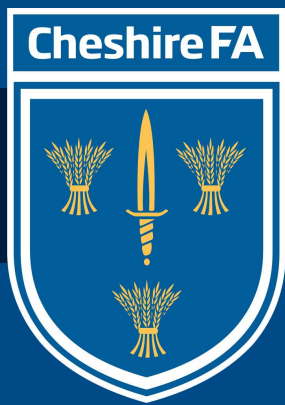
GRASSROOTS CLUB OF THE YEAR – SANDBACH UNITED
GRASSROOTS COACH OF THE YEAR – YOUTH – TONY MITCHELL
GRASSROOTS COACH OF THE YEAR – ADULT – DAVE ATKINSON
VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR – MAGGIE VICKERS
GRASSROOTS PROJECT OF THE YEAR – JOEL KELLY
RISEING STAR OF THE YEAR – SAEED IBRAHIMI
GRASSROOTS MATCH OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR – DARREN BOWDEN
GRASSROOTS LEAGUE OF THE YEAR – CHESHIRE ABILITY COUNTS LEAGUE



CHESHIRE FA 2021 AWARD WINNERS

GRASSROOTS COACH OF THE YEAR – ADULT – JACK NORBURY
GRASSROOTS COACH OF THE YEAR – YOUTH – GARRY PHILLIPS
GRASSROOTS CLUB OF THE YEAR – GOVAN ATHLETIC
GRASSROOTS VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR – MIKE EVANS
THE SPIRIT OF THE GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL AWARD - JIM REEVES
GRASSROOTS PROJECT OF THE YEAR – STEVE PARKER





OCTOBER

AN INCREDIBLE CELEBRATION OF **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**



B L A C K H I S T O R Y M O N T H



IT WAS FANTASTIC TO HOST OUR **BLACK HISTORY MONTH** EVENT ONCE AGAIN THIS YEAR.

WE WELCOMED A VARIETY OF GUESTS FROM ACROSS THE LOCAL, REGIONAL AND NATIONAL FOOTBALLING COMMUNITY AND WERE DELIGHTED TO BE JOINED BY A NUMBER OF FANTASTIC SPEAKERS FROM DIFFERENT AREAS OF THE GAME INCLUDING;

EMILE HESKEY (WHO REPRESENTED HIS COUNTRY AT FOUR MAJOR TOURNAMENTS), EMMERSON BOYCE, WHO FAMOUSLY CAPTAINED WIGAN ON 11 MAY 2013 TO A HISTORIC FA CUP WIN AGAINST MANCHESTER CITY, KIMIYO RICKETT (CHESHIRE FA, INCLUSION ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER), ASAD QURESHI (SPORT ENGLAND), EDLEEN JOHN (THE FA'S INTERNATIONAL, CORPORATE AFFAIRS AND CO-PARTNER FOR EQUALITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION DIRECTOR), RAJ RANDHAWA (KICK IT OUT), JOHN FOLWELL (THE FA'S HEAD OF GRASSROOTS COACH DEVELOPMENT), DR COLIN KING AND LES HOWIE WHO ALL JOINED US FOR AN EVENING OF LEARNING AND CELEBRATION. WE HOPE ALL WHO ATTENDED, ENJOYED THE EVENT.

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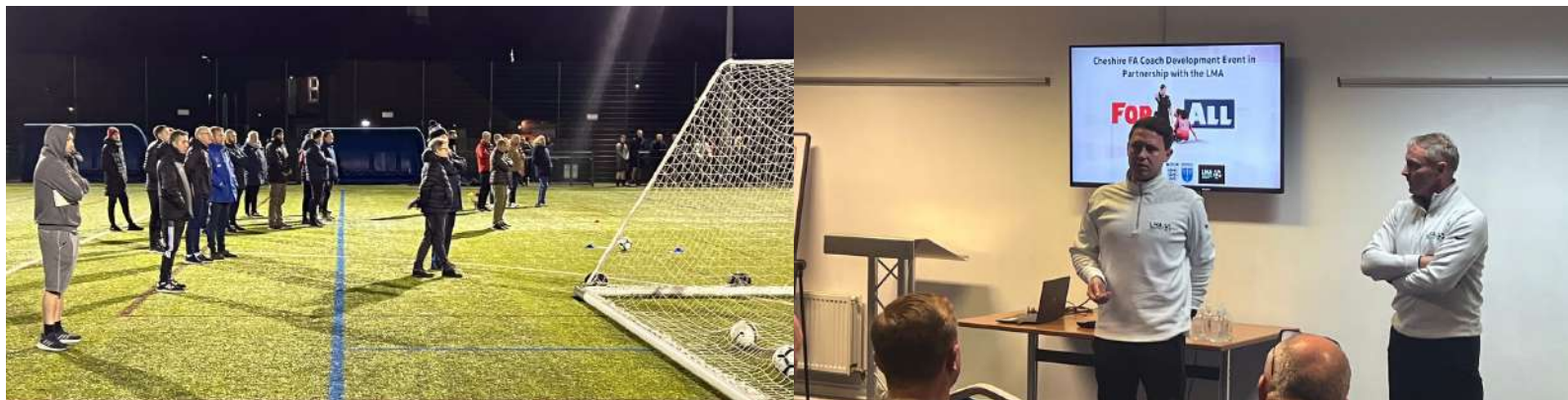
NOVEMBER



COACH DEVELOPMENT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE LMA

IN NOVEMBER, CHESHIRE FA HELD A COACH DEVELOPMENT EVENT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE LEAGUE MANAGERS ASSOCIATION (LMA) WHO LINKED PROFESSIONAL COACHES PAUL SIMPSON AND ROSS EMBLETON INTO THE EVENING.

PAUL AND ROSS DELIVERED A SESSION WITH PLAYERS FROM ALTRINCHAM FC U18'S TO SUPPORT COACHES IN DEVELOPING PRACTICES THAT LOOK AT THE KEY PRINCIPLES OF DEFENDING. OVER 40 COACHES ATTENDED AND HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO TALK WITH PAUL AND ROSS ABOUT THEIR CAREERS IN THE GAME.

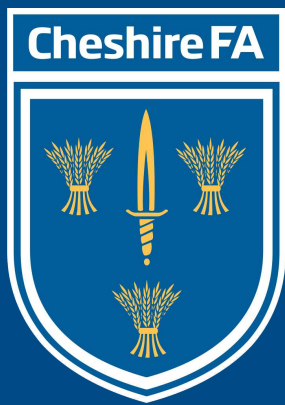


FROM JULY, CHESHIRE FA HAVE BEEN EVOLVING OUR LOCALISED COACH DEVELOPMENT OFFER TO SUPPORT GRASSROOTS COACHES THROUGH THE DELIVERY OF EVENTS/WORKSHOPS (CPD) ACROSS THE COUNTY, INCLUDING TARGETED SUPPORT FOR FEMALE AND BLACK AND ASIAN COACHES. IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE NEW FA REGIONAL COACH DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS (CHRIS WELBURN, CHRIS BRAMMALL AND SARAH LOWDEN), WE HAVE DELIVERED WORKSHOPS ON 'THE ART OF NOTICING', 'WHY OUR PLAYERS PLAY' AND 'THE MATCH DAY EXPERIENCE', SUPPORTED BY LOCAL CLUBS.

IN 2022 WE WILL CONTINUE TO OFFER A VARIETY OF EXCITING OPPORTUNITIES TO SUPPORT COACHES OF ALL LEVELS WITHIN THE GRASSROOTS GAME IN CHESHIRE.

FURTHER DETAILS ON OUR COACH DEVELOPMENT OFFER AND EVENTS, INCLUDING OUR 'WOMEN INTO COACHING' BEING HELD FROM JANUARY, ARE AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE, [CLICK HERE](#).





NEW 3G PITCH AT HELSBY HIGH SCHOOL

CHESHIRE WEST AND CHESTER RECEIVED A FOOTBALL FOUNDATION GRANT TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF A 3G FOOTBALL TURF PITCH AND CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW TWO-TEAM CHANGING PAVILION. THE DEVELOPMENT WAS COMPLETED IN OCTOBER 2021 AND IS NOW OPEN.

FRODSHAM JUNIORS FC ARE THE PARTNER CLUB ON SITE AND THE PITCH WILL BENEFIT LOCAL RESIDENTS AND PUPILS AT HELSBY HIGH SCHOOL ENSURING A HIGH QUALITY PLAYING ENVIRONMENT. PLAYERS WILL NOW BE ABLE TO ENJOY THE NEW ALL-WEATHER PITCH, NEW CHANGING PAVILION AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE GRASS PITCHES, WHICH WILL REPRESENT A SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENT ON THE EXISTING GRASS PITCHES, WHICH ARE PRONE TO BECOMING WATERLOGGED AND IN NEED OF RENOVATION.



RETURN TO FOOTBALL
£48,620 WAS INVESTED IN TO CHESHIRE CLUBS TO SUPPORT A SAFE RETURN TO FOOTBALL AFTER THE COVID-19 NATIONAL LOCKDOWN.

SUMMER & WINTER SURVIVAL FUND

THE GOVERNMENT-FUNDED SCHEME AWARDED OVER £300K TO CHESHIRE CLUBS TO SUPPORT NATIONAL LEAGUE SYSTEM CLUBS (STEP 3-6) SEVERELY IMPACTED BY COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS TO PROTECT THEIR IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

TO GET FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT HOW YOU COULD BENEFIT FROM A FOOTBALL FOUNDATION GRANT PLEASE CHECK OUT

WWW.CHESHIREFA.COM/FACILITIES OR CONTACT US AT FACILITIES@CHESHIREFA.COM

LARGE GRANTS

OVER £1M INVESTED INTO 3G PITCH PROJECTS AT LAURUS TRUST, CHEADLE AND BROOKVALE LEISURE CENTRE, HALTON AND A NEW CHANGING PAVILION AT CORONATION FIELDS IN CHESTER.

SMALL GRANTS

OVER £500K INTO CHESHIRE CLUBS TO SUPPORT THE IMPROVEMENT OF GRASS PITCHES AND PURCHASE EQUIPMENT AND MACHINERY TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT OF LOCAL FACILITIES.

NOVEMBER



FA SAFEGUARDING WEEKEND PROVES A HUGE SUCCESS AS CHESHIRE FA #PLAYSAFE



In partnership with

NSPCC



CHESHIRE FA WERE PROUD TO PLAY AN ACTIVE PART IN THE FA'S SAFEGUARDING WEEKEND, WITH THE #PLAYSAFE MESSAGE BEING SHARED ACROSS THE COUNTY.

MEMEBERS OF THE STAFF TEAM WERE OUT AROUND THE COUNTY DURING THE WEEKEND OF 20/21 NOVEMBER, CARRYING OUT SAFEGUARDING VISITS.

THE TEAM LOOK FORWARD TO CONTINUING THESE VISITS THROUGHOUT THE SEASON TO ENSURE CLUBS AND LEAGUES ARE COMPLIANT WITH SAFEGUARDING.





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RESPECT OUR REFEREES

REMEMBER THOSE WEARING A YELLOW
ARMBAND ARE UNDER 18



Respect







NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

RAINBOW LACES CAMPAIGN CELEBRATED WITH 'CREATING AN INCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENT' EVENT

ON WEDNESDAY, 8TH DECEMBER 2021, CHESHIRE FA WERE PROUD TO HOST A VERY SPECIAL EVENT ALL AROUND CREATING AN INCLUSIVE ENVIRONMENT, AS PART OF OUR RAINBOW LACES CAMPAIGN.

JOINING US ON THE NIGHT HOSTED BY OUR BUSINESS SUPPORT MANAGER, GREG MCLEAN, WHERE MANY SPECIAL GUESTS FROM ACROSS BOTH LOCAL AND NATIONAL ORGANISATIONS BOTH WITHIN FOOTBALL AND THE LGBTQ+ COMMUNITY. WE WERE DELIGHTED TO WELCOME ARRAN WILLIAMS FROM THE FA, RAJ RANDHAWA FROM KICK IT OUT, ROVER & OUT (TRANMERE ROVERS LGBTQ+ SUPPORTERS GROUP), BODY POSITIVE AND SIMON MAHOMED OF DONTXTHELINE. WE ALSO WELCOMED VIRTUAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM JACK MURLEY OF THE BBC LGBT SPORT PODCAST, NATALIE WASHINGTON OF FOOTBALL V TRANSPHOBIA, AND LIZ WARD, THE DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMMES AT STONEWALL.

WE ALSO THANK ALL OF OUR CLUBS, LEAGUES AND REFEREES WHO SHARED THEIR SUPPORT BY WEARING RAINBOW LACES THROUGHOUT THE CAMPAIGN. YOUR ALLYSHIP REALLY DOES GO A LONG WAY.





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CHESHIRE FA SIGNS MUSLIM ATHLETE PLEDGE

**CHESHIRE FA HAS SIGNED THE MUSLIM ATHLETE PLEDGE TO
DEMONSTRATE ITS COMMITMENT TO EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY FOR
ALL.**

**WITH AN INCREASE IN THE NUMBER OF MUSLIM PLAYERS IN THE PROFESSION
AS WELL AS SUPPORT FROM MUSLIM FANS. CHESHIRE FA SOUGHT TO SIGN
THE MUSLIM ATHLETE PLEDGE TO LISTEN, LEARN, AND ADOPT GOOD PRACTICE
TO HELP OUR PLAYERS FLOURISH AND OUR FANS FEEL LOVED AND
SUPPORTED.**

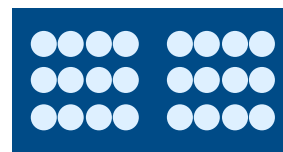
**THE PLEDGE IS A COMMITMENT AND START TO RECOGNISING MUSLIM NEEDS
IN THE SPORT AND A CHECKLIST ADDRESSING MUSLIM PLAYERS' NEEDS. THIS
PLEDGE IS PART OF OUR WIDER WORK AROUND INCLUSION, EQUALITY AND
DIVERSITY AND AN IMPORTANT ASPECT FOR US TO UNDERSTAND, GROW,
AND ADOPT GOOD PRACTICE. THE PLEDGE IS THE BEGINNING OF A JOURNEY
TO BE FULLY ACCREDITED WITH THE NUJUM SPORTS MUSLIM ATHLETE
CHARTER, WHICH WILL HELP US STRENGTHEN OUR VOICE AND ZERO
TOLERANCE TOWARDS ANY FORM OF DISCRIMINATION.**

**"WE BELIEVE THIS IS A POSITIVE STEP FOR CHESHIRE FA AND INTEGRAL TO
OUR WORK WITH SUPPORTING OUR PLAYERS, CLUBS, REFEREES, COACHES
AND VOLUNTEERS," SAID CHESHIRE FA CEO, STEVE SMITHIES. "BY
UNDERSTANDING THEIR FAITH AND CULTURAL NEEDS WE CAN BETTER
POSITION OURSELVES AS AN ORGANISATION THAT IS COMMITTED TO
MAKING FOOTBALL INCLUSIVE AND FREE FROM DISCRIMINATION."**

FACILITY HIRE AT CHESHIRE FA

Theatre Style

Alan Burbidge Suite 70 people
David Edmunds Lounge 30 people



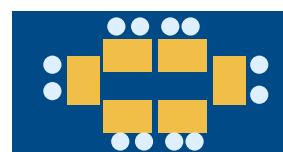
Classroom Style

Alan Burbidge Suite 48 people
David Edmunds Lounge 24 people



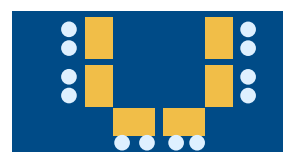
Board Room Style

Alan Burbidge Suite 20 people
David Edmunds Lounge 10 people



U-Shape

Alan Burbidge Suite 24 people
David Edmunds Lounge 12 people



WHAT WE CAN OFFER YOU



High speed wi-fi



Car parking on-site



Refreshments



Changing facilities



Additional Catering



Projector Screen/TV



COVID protocols in place



Friendly Service



Prayer Facility



Defibrillator on-site

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