

# INFORMATION PACK | Hampshire FA

Hampshire FA Youth Network 2025-2027



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# 1. INTRODUCTION

## CAN YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL?

If so, we want to hear from you...

Hampshire FA's vision is to use the power of football to build a better future for all communities in Hampshire by providing football participation opportunities in a safe, enjoyable and inclusive environment.

Hampshire FA is seeking committed and passionate members of the local football community to join its Youth Network; the roles are as follows:

- Female Pathway Member
- Male Pathway Member
- Disability Pathway Member
- Coach Development Member
- Referee Development Pathway Member
- Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Member

All roles are voluntary with reasonable expenses paid in accordance with the Articles of Hampshire Football Association Limited and its Membership Rules. Each member will receive support from the Independent Chairperson and the opportunity to correspond with the leading officers in the Hampshire FA Development Team.

## Safeguarding is at the heart of what we do!

Hampshire FA is committed to ensuring that safeguarding within grassroots football is always front and centre, and we are committed to ensuring that all volunteers receive appropriate safeguarding and welfare training and complete a full enhanced Criminal Records Check disclosure if you are over 16.





## 2. WHAT IS THE HAMPSHIRE FA YOUTH NETWORK?

The Hampshire FA Youth Network is a group of young people aged 14 to 24 years old working alongside FA members of staff, to positively affect the following areas as part of the Hampshire FA Youth Engagement Strategy:

- **Youth Engagement** – to support Hampshire FA with their strategy on youth football, and help grow young people’s participation in the game
- **Youth Representation** – to provide a voice for young people in football to help influence Hampshire FA decision making
- **Youth Volunteers** – to lead initiatives and events that benefit young people in football across Hampshire and encourage more youth leaders to get involved
- **Youth Development** – to support the upskilling of young people to enhance the future football workforce

# 3. Member Benefits

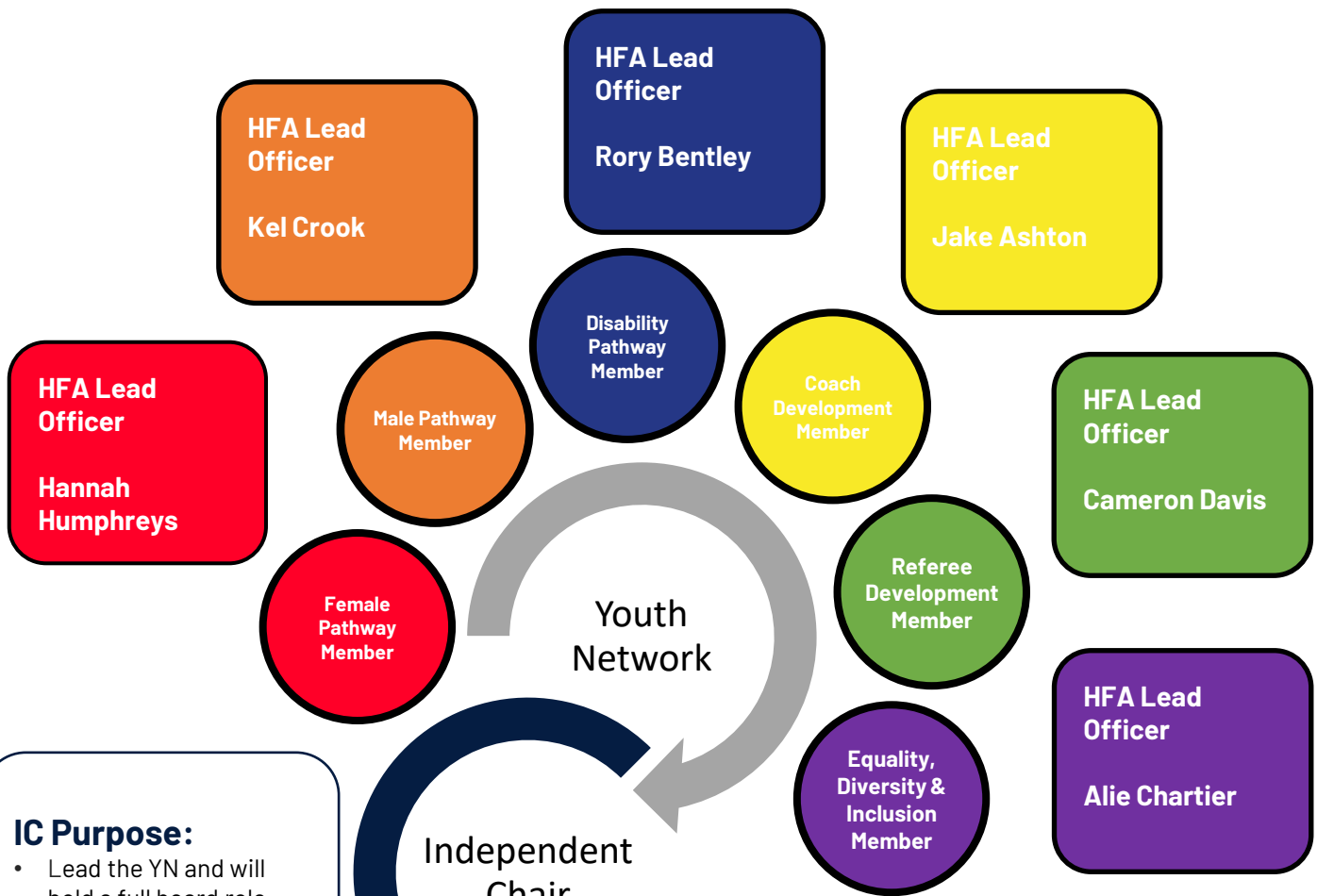
As a member of the Hampshire FA Youth Network, there are many personal benefits you will receive to help boost your experience, life skills and employability.



- Gain first-hand experience working within the football industry
- Individual development plan to support your personal journey
- Opportunity to integrate and influence focus groups tailored to your role
- Develop employability skills to support college and/or university, as well as job applications
- An opportunity to make positive changes towards youth football in Hampshire
- Opportunity to connect with other County FA Youth Networks
- Continuous Professional Development (CPD) opportunities tailored towards your personal development action plan
- Access to Mentor support through FA members of staff and company partners
- Opportunity to access the FA Leadership Academy
- Nike branded kit

# 5. STRUCTURE INFORMATION

## The Youth Network Structure



### IC Purpose:

- Lead the YN and will hold a full board role with fellow Directors.
- Review YN insight and inform BoD.
- Set objectives for the Youth Forum to support continuously improved performance.
- Ensure the effective implementation of projects and events, aligned to the Association's strategic aims and objectives.
- Lead on Youth Forum meetings and provide leadership in all areas.
- Lead on the recruitment for the next phase of members
- Manage member development plans.

### YN Purpose:

- Support Hampshire FA with their strategy on youth football and help grow young people's participation in the game.
- Provide a voice for young people in football to help influence Hampshire FA decision making
- Lead initiatives and events that benefit young people in football across Hampshire and encourage more youth leaders to get involved
- Support the upskilling of young people to enhance the future football workforce

### BoD Purpose:

- Direct and liaise with HFA staff to act on YN recommendations
- Work with YN to assess impact and continually strive for Equality, Diversity & Inclusion in Hampshire football
- Report to YN on impact and progress against actions



# 4. HOW TO APPLY



If you are interested and would like to be considered, please complete a brief online application form by clicking [here](#). Please contact us if you require the form in an alternative/offline format.

The closing date for applications is located on the Youth Network page, under Volunteers, on the Hampshire FA website..

All applications will be considered by the Independent Chair and the Coaching & Workforce officer.

## Require further details?

Check [www.HampshireFA.com](http://www.HampshireFA.com) for further information about us or contact Coaching & Workforce officer – Jake Ashton at [Jake.Ashton@hampshirefa.com](mailto:Jake.Ashton@hampshirefa.com) or via telephone 01256 853021 with any questions.



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