



Hunts FA Youth Council

APPLICATION FORM 2023



The Hunts FA Youth Council are delighted to announce that we are now recruiting for 2023/24 season.

Like so many clubs and organisations the Hunts FA have needed to look at different ways of working in response to the challenges we have all faced due to the impact of COVID-19.

The Hunts FA Youth Council will be made up of 11 roles. This network enables us to work with committed youth leaders to provide meaningful opportunities for young people in football. If you are looking to get more involved, you can consider applying for either The FA National Youth Council (FANYC) or the FA Regional Youth Network.

For this recruitment window we have vacancies for highly skilled, motivated, and capable youth leaders between the ages of 14-24 from across Huntingdonshire and Peterborough to represent children and young people as well as help shape and develop football throughout the county.

Our Vision is to ensure - **“All young people have meaningful and inclusive opportunities to develop themselves and positively influence the football community.”**

As well as aiming to **inspire, empower and provide a voice for all children and young people to influence change, and develop a lasting legacy in football.**

The newly appointed team of youth leaders will build upon last season’s success and continue the momentum towards building youth-adult partnerships. The objectives developed by The FA’s National Youth Council are drawn from the National Game Strategy. These are:

- Have an impact on increasing the number of children and young people participating and volunteering within football.
- Provide a voice for children and young people in shaping FA policies.
- Work together and grow the network of County FA Youth Councils and Youth Committees in clubs and leagues teams in all regions across the country.
- Build partnerships with educational institutions and sport organisations to develop young people.
- Deliver specific projects that contribute towards The FA National Youth Council vision.

Recognising diversity and promoting inclusion is a priority for The FA in our efforts to make football a game For All. We recognise that footballs workforce should represent wider society therefore we especially welcome applications from females, those from diverse ethnic backgrounds, people with disabilities, from diverse faith groups and from the LGBTQ+ communities (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender).

Successful candidates will be expected to attend **all** Youth Council Meetings (whether they are in person or held on-line we have the same standards and expectations) throughout the season. Although of course we know that at times there are unexpected situations which may make attendance not possible (to take account of this we set a minimum attendance level, as from our experience we have learnt that if this level is not met it adversely impacts the value gained from being part of the Youth Council).

Meetings will be held at the Hunts FA HQ or via Microsoft Teams every 6-8 weeks (subject to change).

All roles with The Hunts FA Youth Council are voluntary.

If you have any questions about the information in this application form regarding the specific roles or being part of the Hunts FA Youth Council, please contact YouthCouncil@huntsfa.com



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Personal Details

Name:		Address:
DOB:		
Mobile number:		
FA Number (FAN):		
Current Role(s) in Football:		County FA: (Please only select University or college County FA if you do not attend college or university Locally)
Twitter address:		Home: University/ College if applicable:
Email:		
Current or previous county Youth Council or other Youth Leadership position(s):		
Other Comments: The Hunts FA Youth Council is an inclusive and accessible environment- Please provide us with any additional details about how we can support you in being part of the team. e.g., Additional Learning support needs, Physical support needs.		



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Role Descriptions

Youth Council Members	
Role title	Key Characteristics
ALL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passion for developing yourself, others, and the football community. • Ambition to provide young people with meaningful opportunities within the game. • Be actively involved in football within Huntingdonshire and Peterborough. • Dedication to communicate effectively with The Hunts FA Youth Council, FA staff and external partners. • Motivation to perform within a team environment and independently, seeking support when needed. • Willingness to respond positively to feedback and learn from mistakes. • Commitment to prioritise quality time for the work of the Hunts FA Youth Council. • Lead and inspire the youth leader network and those working alongside this. • Must have commit to obtaining an FA Enhanced DBS Check.

Brief Role Descriptions
Youth Council Chairperson (2 Year Term)
Strategically lead The Hunts FA Youth Council throughout the season, supporting the planning and delivery of meetings and projects, whilst managing the Vice-Chair. Lead on representing the voice of children and young people on Hunts FA Board, Council and other County committees. Lead on working closely with Hunts FA staff as the main contact of the Hunts FA Youth Council.
Youth Council Vice Chairperson (2 Year Term)
Operationally lead The Hunts FA Youth Council throughout the season, supporting the planning and delivery of meetings and projects, whilst managing the Hunts FA Youth Council.
County Youth Network- North, South, Central (3 Roles Available)
Lead on representing the voice of children and young people within clubs in Huntingdonshire. Working closely with Hunts FA clubs to develop Youth Councils and gain valuable feedback to impact football for future generations.



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Equality, Diversity & Inclusion

Lead on the inclusion work of the youth council and support the Hunts FA Football development team with inclusion and disability work during the season, specifically in relation to young people. Represents the youth council on the Hunts FA Inclusion Advisory Group.

Marketing & Social Media

Lead on creating a distinct and consistent Youth Council brand; this includes all public-facing content and slide decks. Create a clear branding checklist for the whole team to follow. Oversee the Hunts FA Youth Council platforms by delivering regular content, updates and posting opportunities. Collaborate with the Hunts FA Marketing and Communications staff member to produce and deliver high quality content driving the increased visibility of the Hunts FA Youth Council.

Football Workforce- Coaches, Referees, Volunteers, Players (4 Roles Available)

Lead on the development of participation within the County. Creating opportunities for growth of development of young people across various footballing roles. Represents the youth council on the Hunts FA Committees.

Please note all the key skills and experience may be ones you already possess or be ones that you will develop in the role.

Please see the next page for personal statement questions. In this next section you will answer 4 questions around why you want to be part of the team, your skills, experiences etc., each question ranges from between 300-400 words so please take your time to complete to the best of your ability.



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PERSONAL STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION

Why do you want to represent The Hunts FA Youth Council? (Max 300 words).



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What skills & experience will you bring to The Hunts FA Youth Council? Please relate this to the specific requirements of the role/s you are applying for (Max 400 words).



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Self-development and developing others are at the heart of The Hunts FA Youth Council. Please share how you intend to develop yourself as part of this experience and how this will have an impact on others. (Max 300 words)



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The Hunts FA Youth Council's aim is to have a lasting legacy on the wider football community. Please tell us about the specific impact that you would aim to have on the game (Max 300 words).



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Summary of Application Requirement	Summary of Key Dates:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Completed application form (saved as "Your full name and then HYCapplicationform2023) Covering letter outlining the role(s) you are applying for. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deadline for application:

Please download your completed application form, supporting covering letter and send to YouthCouncil@Huntsfa.com by

Thank you for taking the time to apply to be part of The Hunts FA Youth Council and supporting Youth Leadership.