



Financial Inclusion Policy

At West Bridgford Colts, we are committed to ensuring that financial barriers do not prevent anyone from participating in football. We believe that everyone should have the opportunity to play, regardless of their financial situation.

Our Commitment

- **Affordable Fees:** We will always endeavour to keep club fees affordable whilst providing a safe environment with suitable equipment. Where required, the club will offer flexible payment options.
- **Financial Support:** Where needed, we can provide reduced fees, which may be partly or fully subsidised by the club.
- **Access to Equipment:** We will endeavour to offer loan kits and second-hand equipment to players as needed.
- **Inclusive Participation:** No player will be excluded because of financial circumstances; we will work with families to find solutions.
- **Community Support:** We will seek grants, sponsorships and fundraising opportunities to support financial inclusion initiatives.
- **Continued Review:** We will annually review all participants that are financially supported by the club to ensure club funds are best used and remain available to those who require support.

Considerations

- All applications will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.
- The only factor we will consider is **financial circumstance**. Footballing ability or playing level will **not** form any part of the decision.
- Support will only be provided for the equivalent of playing for one team (e.g. Saturday or Sunday), to ensure we can support as many players as possible
- Applications for support can only be made by a parent, legal guardian or the player themselves (if aged 16+). Coaches cannot apply on behalf of players.

This policy reflects our commitment to making football accessible for all. If you need support, please contact the Club Secretary (info@westbridgfordcolts.com) in confidence in the first instance, or to request an application form.