



# NPLYFC 2019 AGM

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**Date** Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June  
**Time** 19:30  
**Venue** NPL Sports Club

## **AGENDA:**

- 1) Apologies
- 2) Tournament 2019 Review
- 3) Officers Reports
- 4) Committee for the 2018/2019 season
- 5) AOB
  - a) Training
  - b) Calendar



### 3) Officers Report

#### Chairman's Report

The football club, over the course of the season, has continued to meet our main objective by providing players with the opportunity to play competitive football in a safe, controlled and friendly environment under the supervision of FA Qualified coaches. This is largely down to the countless hours that the volunteers have put in over the season. I would like to thank all of the team officials for their dedication this season and to all the committee members for their administrative support over the past 12 months.

My sincere thanks go to the Committee that keep this club running. At a time when all organisations are finding it difficult to recruit volunteers we should all be most appreciative of the number of hours dedicated by all those who serve the club in such a way. Recruiting the amount of volunteers associated to NPLYFC will be addressed by the New Committee; a new role is being proposed for the 2019-2020 season, Head of Recruitment, which will look at increasing the number of player and volunteers across the club.

I would also like to thank all team managers, coaches and administrators for their dedication towards their teams throughout the season. Your work is invaluable.

Members of the committee have been working behind the scenes in preparation for the next season. The club's central database for officials is being updated, players are being registered for the new season and policies and process are being reviewed and updated.

Finally, I would like to thank all at NPLYFC for the support shown towards me, as Chairman, over the past 5 years. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time as Chairman over the past four seasons.



## Treasurer's Report

The club is forecast to have a profit of approximately £1,000, once any outstanding payments have been met. Last year the club made a profit of approx. £3,000.

Subscription income decreased by about 10% on the previous year, mainly due to the folding of some teams throughout the season. This equated to a decrease in income of £7,000.

Owing to the decision last year that individual members had to buy their own team kit (or find a sponsor for their kit) from this season, the club saved approx. £11,000 in kit and equipment. External pitch hire decreased to £20,000 from £23,000 in the previous season.

Social subs and sectional charges to the NPL Sports Club were in line with the previous year, as were training and coaching costs. The biggest increase in expenditure was in League Subscriptions (£5,000 against £1,200 last season), which had been underpaid in the previous 2 seasons, and so this was a one-off increase and should revert to normal amounts going forward.

The NPL tournament is projected to make a profit of approximately £2,300 around £1,000 less than last year, once all the bills have been paid, and based on previous year's spending on those invoices not yet received. The takings over the weekend were up from the previous year, mainly due to the increase of entry to £3 from £2 per person. Sponsorship will be inline with last year, which more than covers the cost of printing the programmes, but team entry fees were slightly down on last year (-6%)

However, the cost of hosting the tournament increased by over 10%. The main source of this increase was food and drink, which was up 25% on the previous year. We also had an unexpected expense of car park banner printing due to NPL informing us at such short notice that the car parks had to be accessed from a different location.

There is still approx. £1,500 outstanding from a legacy loan to the Senior Football Club, which we hope will continue to be repaid in the coming season.



## Secretary's Report

Thank you all for being here tonight, it is my pleasure to report on the 2018/2019 season for NPL Youth Football club.

Over the course of the past season, we ran a grand total of 23 teams across three separate leagues. Twelve sides played in the Surrey Youth League, Ten teams in the East Berkshire League and one side in the Capital Girls league. A big thank you to all the managers, coaches, assistants and parents for making this happen. It takes a lot of time and effort to run a team across a whole season and this is appreciated by all at the club.

We've grown in strength across our teams on the playing fields and progress has been made in building strong squads that will sustain us for the future. We continue to compete at the highest levels with the NPL philosophy of providing a safe, controlled and friendly environment very much at the forefront of our thinking.

We conduct ourselves properly, we are respectful of our opposition and we do the right things to ensure our boys and girls enjoy their football. It really is no wonder that so many young players want to join us.

For the season 2019-2020 we are expanding and are planning to run extra teams at u7s, u8s and u9s, meaning we will be running a total of 27 teams across the leagues if the team building efforts come to fruition. There does not seem to be a shortage of players and coaches wanting to join NPL in the lower age groups, however it looks like there are challenges at U16 and above with potentially 3 teams folding from last year. We need to keep this in mind for next season and plan accordingly.

Due to the potential number of teams, we are looking at increasing the number of pitches at the NPL Ground to accommodate them next season. This needs to be planned carefully to consider any extra resources and costs required.

We have strong junior squads at every level with enthusiastic coaching staff working with every team. We need to re-double our efforts to ensure that all our coaching staff are qualified to at least FA level 1 and this will be our main target for the forthcoming season. NPL Football club's strength has always been its coaching and we need to maintain this going forward especially considering our status as an FA Chartered Standard club.

The reporting of player fines and payment has been a success overall with only one intervention having to be made. We still racked up a total of £150 of fines for late submission of results as well as the usual yellow and red cards. Most of this amount having been paid back to the club.

I would like to recognise and record thanks to our Chairman James Cranston and Vice Chairman Antony Weir for their dedication and work to make this great club what it is today.

With their help, we can further build and improve this special club in the forthcoming years.



#### 4) Committee Structure 2019-2019

