## ANNUAL SAFETY REPORT 2014 / 2015

### ALTRINCHAM ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB

# REPORT TO THE SAFETY at SPORTS GROUNDS ADVISORY GROUP

BY

**ALTRINCHAM ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL CLUB** 

#### **CLUB DEVELOPMENT**

The Community integration programme with the local community successfully continues and we continue to deliver organised football and coaching to an average of over 1,000 boys and girls each week. We have 40 Junior Teams, a Reserve Team, 2 Youth Teams and 1 Ladies Team all playing competitive matches.

We hold 6 fun weeks during school holidays with an average daily attendance of 45.

The Saturday Morning club has an average attendance of 90 boys and girls being coached by qualified coaches and the majority of the children advance into competitive football in their respective age groups. The Community holds an after school activity in one local school and coaches in 6 schools during term time.

A one to one coaching scheme is held for disabled children.

A Football Activity day, was held in Stamford Park, Altrincham and a days' activity at the Children's Adventure Farm at Millington. Both these days helped to promote the club and generate local interest.

Complimentary Tickets are handed out to local schools for specific games and a reduced price admission ticket for a parent is enclosed.

The BTech Course continues at the club and is organised by Interactive Sports and Trafford College. The number of students is 62 and there are 3 teams playing organised mid-week games.

The Community Sports Hall was completed and operational from January 2015 with the official opening by Sir Alex Ferguson held in February 2015. The hall is run by the Community Trust on behalf of the Football Club and two full-time employees have been recruited.

Councillors and officers viewed the hall when they carried out their Annual Inspection in April 2015.

It is pleasing to note many groups are using the facilities from Adventure Babies to Senior Yoga and Exercise. In addition weekly sessions are held for:-

Herbalife

Conexus

Slimming World

Mini Kickers

Tumbletots

After School Multi-Sports

Karate

**Scouts** 

Zumba

**Pilates** 

Children's Birthday Parties with a football theme have become very popular, and we have also held Wedding Receptions, Wedding Anniversary's, Christening's and Sportsman's Dinners. A Summer/Autumn timetable is enclosed.

Fund raising is still taking place to finalise the construction costs. The club believes the project is enhancing the profile of the club, within the Trafford area, and is encouraging residents to partake in sporting and other activities.

The Community Trust joined the Altrincham Festival Parade, which again promoted the club, and they were awarded a prize for the float as the 'best newcomers' entry.

#### SUCCESS OF PREVIOUS OBJECTIVES

#### **2014 / 15 OBJECTIVES**

#### **COMMENTS**

To maintain the condition of the Stadium to an acceptable standard and to promote crowd safety The Club benefit from willing and enthusiastic volunteer workforce. This ensures the Stadium continues to maintain a good standard of repair and maintains spectator safety.

To continue to ensure the Safety Procedures Manual reflects the Safety Management of the Stadium.

The Safety Procedure Manual has been reviewed and continues to reflect the Stadium Safety Management.

To continue to promote the Club in the community by expanding Club's activities. As stated in the Club Development the club, along with the Community Trust, continue to promote and expand the Community activities.

#### **FUTURE OBJECTIVES**

- 1. To maintain the condition of the Stadium to an acceptable standard and to promote crowd safety.
- 2. To continue to ensure the Safety Procedures Manual reflects the Safety Management of the Stadium.
- 3. To continue to promote the Club in the community by expanding the Club's activities and to build on the early success of the Community Sports Hall.

#### **HOME LEAGUE GATES 2014-15**

Tue.12.8.1	Н	LINCOLN CITY	996
Sat.16.8.14	Н	BRISTOL ROVERS	1,463
Mon.25.8.1	Н	GATESHEAD	1,089
Sat.6.9.14	Н	DARTFORD	1,571
Sat.13.9.14	Н	EASTLEIGH	945
Sat.27.9.14	Н	WELLING UNITED	850
Tue.30.9.1	Н	MACCLESFIELD TOWN	1,817
Sat.11.10.1	Н	WOKING	1,218
Sat.18.10.1	Н	BRAINTREE TOWN	894
Sat.1.11.14	Н	ALFRETON TOWN	960
Sat.15.11.1	Н	GRIMSBY TOWN	1,881
Sat.29.11.1	H	KIDDERMINSTER HARRIERS	1,019
Sat.20.12.1	Н	DOVER ATHLETIC	870
Sun.28.12.	Н	NUNEATON TOWN	1,025
Thu.1.1.15	Н	CHESTER FC	1,840
Sat.17.1.15	Н	TORQUAY UNITED	1,224
Sat.7.2.15	Н	ALDERSHOT TOWN	925
Sat.14.2.15	Н	FOREST GREEN ROVERS	1,071
Sat.28.2.15	Н	BARNET	1,450
Sat.14.3.15	Н	WREXHAM	1,525
Sat.21.3.15	Н	FC HALIFAX TOWN	1,371
Fri.3.4.15	Н	SOUTHPORT	1,401
Sat.18.4.15	Н	AFC TELFORD UNITED	1,265;

total 27405 average 1192

FA TROPHY	Macclesfield	1,276
Pre-season Friendlies	Manchester United	751
	Accrington Stanley	261
	Shrewsbury Town	314
	TOTAL	2,602
	GRAND TOTAL	30,007

# ANNUAL MATCH VISIT SAFETY AT SPORTS GROUNDS SUB-COMMITTEE

This years' Match Visit took place on Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> April 2015 for the Conference fixture Altrincham v AFC Telford United.