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|  | **Millfields Park Football Club**  |

* Millfields Park Football Club (MPFC) was founded in February 2016 to provide an opportunity for local boys and girls to access football coaching, organised football matches and other occasional leisure activities in a safe and supportive environment.
* The club’s aim is to develop a child’s individual and team soccer skills and to help develop their self-awareness, confidence and general social skills.
* MPFC runs on a ***not for profit*** basis. Coaches give their time voluntarily. Subscription fees cover the following:
	+ ELE League pitches and referees
	+ Pitch hire during winter play months
	+ Kits and related equipment i.e. footballs
	+ End of season event for the children
* The ethos of the club is one of inclusivity and involvement in training and matches are not dependent on either ability to play or pay.
* We believe that children perform better, are more secure and prefer their carers to watch them play - if the carers are supportive and appropriate. This means if a child joins a team the expectation is that their carer/s will make every effort to attend games, at least until the carers are happy for their child to make their own way to the game (be it Newbury Park or Wanstead). Even then older children usually prefer to be watched and supported. We also recognise that attendance every week is often not possible and for some any attendance is problematic, for instance carers might be at work, church or must look after other children. However, we do expect carers to make every effort to be involved with the team, be actively supportive and even help out….you never know, you might enjoy it!
* The Sunday football teams, especially for children who do not participate in a competitive league, i.e. all those under 12, will aim to provide maximum playing time for all squad members. Therefore members of an age group are prioritised to play in all cases. We do not prioritise winning games above inclusion of all age appropriate team members.
* The inclusion of a younger non-age group registered player in a matchday squad can only be sanctioned if there is a genuine shortage of numbers ie less than that required to turn out a team, and with the agreement of the Manager.
* The football teams were set up to complement the Saturday morning football session. If the Saturday session is undermined our pipeline of younger players will be cut off and younger children will miss out on the opportunities the players have now. This means we won’t join leagues that operate on Saturday morning.
* At present the ELE league provides the most convenient and cost-effective offer, if other leagues offer more/different but interesting provision, we will consider a move, given the provisos above.
* Anyone who takes on management responsibilities is expected to go through the Disclosure and Barring Service check (known as a DBS check) before they start managing a team. In addition, all persons involved with working with under 18s will complete an FA Safeguarding Children course at the first opportunity. This is not negotiable.
* Attendance at club meetings for manager/coaches is obligatory.
* Anyone wanting to be involved in MPFC must acknowledge and actively support the ethos of the club as expressed above.

**Club roles:**

**Chair:** Sean Glancy

**Secretary:** Algis Rekesius

**Treasurer:** Ian Murphy

**Children’s Welfare**: Sean Glancy

**Events and Sponsorship:** Greg Fay

**Head Coach:** Simon Quayle

**Team Coaches:**

**Under 12s:** Ian Murphy

**Under 10s:** Algis Rekesius

**Under 9s:** Dave Oyston & Marco Tranchina

**Under 8s:** Harry Daniels & Jermain