St Annes Football Club Code of Conduct

St Annes Football Club is an inclusive club that welcomes players of all levels and experience. Whilst playing for the team to help the team to win is a fundamental part of the game, but not winning at all costs. Fair play and respect for all others in the game is of great importance, and this Code sets out the standards the Club expects from its players, parents of players and supporters. In registering the player at St Annes Football Club, the parents/guardians and the player agree to the follow the Club's Code of Conduct.

The Club agrees to provide:

- A safe environment in which the player can learn and develop their own sporting abilities;
- Participation in football matches arranged or approved by the Leagues;
- Trained, screened and qualified coaching staff;
- Facilities as determined by the Rules and Regulations governing junior football clubs, and of a standard which do not endanger the health and safety of the players;
- A Code of Conduct and Rules by which players, parents and coaches are required to abide;
- Child protection, anti-discrimination and equal opportunity policies; and
- An undertaking that at all times the welfare of the players will be given the highest priority.

The Parents/Guardians agree to:

- Encourage and help the player to meet targets, including the Club's Code of Conduct and Rules;
- Support the player without pressure, praise good performance and refrain from criticising lapses;
- Set a good example for the player by their behaviour as a spectator at matches;
- Respect the opportunity given to the player and not approach or permit any other person to approach any other Club during the currency of the player's registration except as allowed under the Rules and Regulations of the Lancashire FA, Poulton & District Primary League, Blackpool & District Youth Football League and North Valley & Burnley Unity Youth Football League;
- Keep the team manager informed about matters affecting the player and give at least 48 hours' notice if the player is unavailable for selection;



- Respect and be supportive of the team coach, other team officials, referee and opposition teams; and
- Help your son/daughter's manager to maintain contact by providing information on changes in phone numbers and/or email addresses.

The Player agrees to:

- Make every effort to develop their own sporting abilities, in terms of skill, technique, tactics and stamina;
- Give maximum effort and strive for the best possible performance during a game;
- Not use inappropriate language;
- Know and abide by the Laws, rules and spirit of the game, and the competition rules;
- Accept success and failure, victory and defeat, equally;
- Treat opponents with respect at all times, irrespective of the result of the game, their sex, race or colour;
- Respect match officials by accepting decisions without protest;
- Respect team officials by abiding by the instructions of their coach and manager, and show respect towards team officials of the opposition;
- Report to training sessions, matches and club activities at the specified times;
- Resist any temptation to take banned substances;
- Be smartly presented at all times when representing the Club;
- Not to wear jewellery (including watches) at training or games; and
- Behave in a proper manner at all times and at no time act in such a way as to bring the name of St Annes Football Club into disrepute.

Parents and followers are also expected to abide by The Football Association's RESPECT campaign, a guide for Parents, Guardians and Carers can be viewed at: <u>http://www.thefa.com/respectguide</u>

