

## **Hertfordshire Football Association**

## Referee Committee Report for Annual General Meeting 2018

Season 2017/2018 was another challenging one for refereeing within Hertfordshire but I believe we achieved the objectives we set ourselves.

Phil Sharp once again proved an admirable Referee Development Officer, he works very hard in numerous areas in order to develop and retain our pool of referees.

Phil has considerable input into our Level 4 Training Group which is headed by Gary Evetts. I must thank some of our senior referees, Mick Russell, David Rock and Mark Mellor for their input and of course Gary for his efforts coordinating the group.

The Group proved its value this season when Dan Robinson, Lee Jessop and Stuart Smith were promoted to Level 3 for next season.

Joining the group next season will be Neo Neophytou, Chimango Gondwe and Matt Norton who were promoted to Level 4 for next season. Congratulations to all these referees on their success this season.

As always Alan Willmott did a great job organising the Promotion Scheme which enabled numerous referees to be promoted to the next level - thank you Alan.

Appointments were carried out by myself (Saturday & Senior), Derek French (Sunday Adults) and Norman Appleby (Youth), and I would like to thank both for carrying out what is a thankless task with lots of enthusiasm and no little skill.

In closing I would like to thank Ken Coniam and the rest of the Referees Committee for their efforts in ensuring that Hertfordshire referees get the best possible service from the Association and its officers.

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