**The FA National Youth Council**

**Recruitment for Season 2018/19**

We are delighted to announce that we are now recruiting for the 2018-19 FA National Youth Council.

We are looking for 13 young people between the ages of 16-24 from all over England to represent children and young people and to help shape and develop football in this country.

Our current vision is **to** **inspire, empower and provide a voice for all children and young people to influence change, and develop a lasting legacy in football.**

The newly appointed team of young people will build on the success of last year’s team. The goals developed by The FA YC are drawn from the National Game Strategy, with the group determined to have an impact on increasing the number of children and young people (CYP) participating and volunteering in football as well as developing a vast CYP network with County FA youth councils and student managements teams in all regions across the Country; and deliver specific projects for young people including The FA’s Leadership Academy.

**All roles with The FA Youth Council are voluntary. However, out of pocket expenses will be covered with the prior approval of FA Staff.**

Recognising diversity and promoting inclusion is a priority for The FA in our efforts to make football a game For All. We recognise that footballs workforce should represent wider society therefore especially welcome applications from females, those from diverse ethnic backgrounds, people with disabilities, from diverse faith groups and from the LGBT communities (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender)

Successful Candidates will be expected to attend all FA Youth Council Meetings throughout the year. Meetings are usually held in a central location of the Country (accommodation is provided).

**Please find provisional meeting dates, further guidelines and application criteria outlined in the Youth Council Position Statement, which accompanies this application.**

**Please read the accompanying details and if you have any questions please contact Karl Lines (**[**Karl.Lines@TheFA.com**](mailto:Karl.Lines@TheFA.com) **and/or Sarah Nickless** [**Sarah.Nickless@TheFA.com**](mailto:Sarah.Nickless@TheFA.com)**) .**

**APPLICATION FORM**

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| **Name:** |  | **Address:** |
| **DOB:** |  |
| **County FA:** |  |
| **Mobile number:** |  | **Do you own a young person’s railcard?**  **YES / NO** |
| **Email:** |  | |
| **Twitter address:** |  | |
| **CFA Youth Council or Forum Position** |  | |

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| **Job Role** | **Brief Description** |
| **Vice Chair Person** | Operationally lead The FA National Youth Council throughout the year, supporting the planning and delivery of meetings and projects, whilst line-managing the Leadership Group.  This roles involves working closely with FA staff as the main contact of the Youth Council and being an ambassador for The FA.  **N.B. Interviews will be held to determine the most suitable person for this role on July 17th 2018.** |

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| **Job Role** | **Brief Description** | **Position applying for (Please mark X)** |
| **Project Officer (Leadership Development)** | Lead The FA National Youth Council on FA Leadership Academy and any other events, lead on youth Leader & mentor development, internal lead for learning and development on FA National Youth Council. |  |
| **Project Officer (Community)** | To review, create and maintain relationships for the FA National Youth Council with internal and external stakeholders, working closely with Research & Insight officer to integrate evidence based practices. |  |
| **Project Officer (Research & Insight)** | To support the vision, mission and objectives and performance of The FA National Youth Council by providing relevant research and insight which informs current practice and provides important future recommendations. |  |
| **Senior Project Officer** | We will appoint a senior member of the Project Team. This is not an additional role – the person will take on enhanced responsibility of:   * Performance Management of the Project Team * Standing in for the Vice-Chairperson at any meeting or event that he/she is unavailable for * This role will sit within the Leadership Group |  |
| **Engagement Officer – North East and Yorkshire** | To support and develop the network of Regional Youth Councils/SMTs to help create a national network of young people. Must live in the North or Yorkshire region and be an active member of a County FA Youth Council, SMT or Youth Forum |  |
| **Engagement Officer- North West** | To support and develop the network of Regional Youth Councils/SMTs to help create a national network of young people. Must live in the North West region and be a member of County FA Youth Council, SMT or Youth Forum |  |
| **Engagement Officer- West Midlands** | To support and develop the network of Regional Youth Councils/SMTs to help create a national network of young people. Must live in the West Midlands region and be a member of County FA Youth Council, SMT or Youth Forum |  |
| **Engagement Officer- East Midlands** | To support and develop the network of Regional Youth Councils/SMTs to help create a national network of young people. Must live in the East Midlands region and be a member of County FA Youth Council, SMT or Youth Forum |  |
| **Engagement Officer- East** | To support and develop the network of Regional Youth Councils/SMTs to help create a national network of young people. Must live in the Eastern region and be a member of County FA Youth Council, SMT or Youth Forum |  |
| **Engagement Officer –London/South East** | To support and develop the network of Regional Youth Councils/SMTs to help create a national network of young people. Must live in London or the South East region and be a member of County FA Youth Council, SMT or Youth Forum |  |
| **Engagement Officer – South West** | To support and develop the network of Regional Youth Councils/SMTs to help create a national network of young people. Must live in the South West region and be a member of County FA Youth Council, SMT or Youth Forum |  |
| **Senior Engagement Officer (North)** | We will to appoint two senior members of the Engagement Team. **This is not an additional role** – the person will take on enhanced responsibility of:   * Performance Management of the Northern Engagement Officers * Standing in for the Vice-Chairperson at any meeting or event that he/she is unavailable for * Report directly into the Vice-Chairperson * This role will sit within the Leadership Group |  |
| **Senior Engagement Officer (South)** | We will to appoint two senior members of the Engagement Team. **This is not an additional role** – the person will take on enhanced responsibility of:   * Performance Management of the Southern Engagement Officers * Standing in for the Vice-Chairperson at any meeting or event that he/she is unavailable for * Report directly into the Vice-Chairperson * This role will sit within the Leadership Group |  |

Please indicate the position you wish you apply for (1st choice) as well as one reserve position in the table below

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| **1st Choice**  **Why are you applying for this role? (maximum of 50 words)** |  |
| **2nd Choices**  **Why are you applying for these roles? (maximum of 50 words)** |  |

* *2nd choice position could be offered to you in the event you are selected as a member of the Youth Council when more than one selected member has applied for the same position*

***PERSONAL STATEMENT IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION***

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| **Please provide an overview of why you want to represent The FA National Youth Council. (Maximum of 500 words)** |
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| **SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE**  **Please provide an overview of the skills and experience you have that make you suitable for the selected position. (Maximum of 500 words)** |
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| **Please identify how you intend to develop yourself as part of this experience and summarise why you made this choice (Maximum of 300 words)** |
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| **Please identify how you intend to develop others as part of this experience and how your membership of the team will have an impact on others that you work with (Maximum of 300 words)** |
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| **Participation in the Youth Council involves having a voice on shaping FA policies, especially in relation to youth. Please identify the specific impact that you would intend to have, if selected, on the larger football community in the 2018/19 season (Maximum of 300 words)** |
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**As part of the application you are also required to submit the following:**

**Supporting Video**

* A 60seconds supporting video led by yourself on the impact you intend to have if selected to represent The FA National Youth Council from a perspective of impact on yourself, impact on others in the team and impact on a wider community. You are encouraged to be creative.
* Please arrange for this video to be sent in an appropriate format to Alex Cavanagh **by Friday 20th July 2018.**

**Supporting Testimonials**

* You are also required to arrange for at least 1 testimonial to be submitted in your support of your application. As a guide these testimonials should be no more than 250 words long or (60 secs. if using video) per testimonial.
* The testimonials should be from those that you have had a positive effect on this season in your current voluntary role. Please ask for these testimonials to be sent to Alex Cavanagh / [**Football.Futures@thefa.com**](mailto:Football.Futures@thefa.com) also by 5.00pm on Friday 20th July 2018 in order for them to be considered.
* Please ask that the header on the email states: “Testimonial for *Your Full Name*”

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| **Summary of Application Requirement** | **Summary of Key Dates:** |
| * Completed application form * Supporting Video * 1 x Supporting Testimonials | * Deadline for application: 20th July 2018 * Membership Confirmation: 13th August 2018 |

**Please return all completed applications and support material to** [**Football.Futures@thefa.com**](mailto:Football.Futures@thefa.com) **by 5.00pm on Friday 20th July 2018. Thank you for taking the time to complete this application. Please note that no late applications will be considered.**