



NFA Inclusion Advisory Group Meeting

Wednesday 21 February 2018

The latest meeting of the NFA IAG took place at the NFA headquarters with a fair turn out from members. Although we have a core of regular attenders, it was mentioned we should try to expand the group membership if possible to ensure all views about football in the County can be represented and heard.

We welcomed Jack Patmore, County Administrator, who updated us on the work of the NFA Youth Council and asked IAG members for any ideas about how to recruit more young people onto the group, particularly those from diverse backgrounds. Jack will follow up several ideas with members and report on his progress at future meetings.

Debbie Preston, Football Development Officer, then gave us an update on several inclusion activities taking place, including a Girls' Football Week (23-29 April) and funded places for coaches from under-represented groups on a Level 3 course in April. We also discussed plans to hold a Community Roadshow in Peterborough, together with neighbouring Counties including Hunts FA.

We then talked about ways we can further promote the IAG and have our own impact on local football. We were pleased to have an IAG presence set up on the NFA website and intend to use this and other media avenues to promote the work of the IAG in the future. As always, we ran out of time to discuss in any detail the FA's National Game Strategy for 2017-21, but this will be on the radar for future meetings as the group are keen to offer their views on the strategy during the consultation process.

Jim Lusted (IAG vice-chair)