THE FA CLUB FOOTBALL FORUM

FREE WEBINAR



HOW DO WE KNOW WE'VE MADE IT?

Defining success at your club

Thursday 26th March 2020





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 at the end.



WHAT WE'LL COVER TODAY

- Why measure success?
- How to do it
- Linking it all up
- Capturing, sharing & celebrating
- Case study club: Hythe & Dibden FC
- Case study league: Norfolk Combined Youth Football League
- Questions



QUICK RECAP "WHAT WE STAND FOR"

The importance of having a vision, mission, goals & objectives

- **Vision**: the world we'd like to see
- **Purpose**: the reason you exist
- Mission: how you will get there
- Aims or Goals: quantified ambitions to realise the vision and mission
- Objectives: targeted and measurable intentions to fulfil our aims/goals
- Values: describe our core ethics and principles



CELEBRATING SUCCESS







All of these players were transfered directly from Buxton to the mentioned league clubs. Oth like Carl Swan and Tony Rodwell played for the Bucks and then played for other non-league before going into league football.

PLAYER	YEAR	CLUB SOLD TO
Peter Robinson	1950	Notts County
John Higgins	1950	Bolton Wanderers
Maurice Brooks	1951	Stockport County
Ray Parker	1951	Bradford City
Fred Marlow	1951	Grimsby Town
lan Greaves	1953	Manchester United
John Brindley	1953	Chesterfield
Les Farriday	1954	Walsall
John Good	1955	Tranmere Rovers
Jimmy Anders	1956	Bradford PA
William Haydock	1959	Manchester City
Anthony Parkes	1970	Blackburn Rovers
Andy Proudlove	1975	Sheffield Wednesday



WHY MEASURE SUCCESS?

- You can only really know how successful you've been by comparing how things are now with how things were before
- Motivation people want to achieve, build something positive
- Demonstrates to funders the value of their investment now and in the future
- Provides evidence to support ongoing business planning
- Helps tell a positive story to members, stakeholders and the wider community
- TheFA

Above all, shows you're meeting your vision/purpose

THERE ARE DIFFERENT WAYS TO MEASURE SUCCESS

- 'Quantity' and 'Quality' indicators underpin the measurement and showcasing of success, so aim to have a number of both
- Examples of 'quantifiable' indicators:
 - Member numbers / income generated / coaching qualifications obtained / competitions entered and results achieved
- Examples of 'qualitative' indicators:
 - Member/customer satisfaction / enhanced sense of wellbeing (mental/physical) / Friendships / fun and enjoyment / overall experience



METHODS AND TOOLS FOR COLLECTING DATA

- Surveys & questionnaires (e.g. Survey Monkey)
- Free online tools
- Financial performance
- Participation and activity records
- Focus groups
- 1 to 1 interviews
- Activity diaries
- Short films
- Feedback wall



LINKING IT ALL UP – HOW YOU ACHIEVE SUCCESS

 To help define success it is often easiest to start thinking about the outcomes you are aiming to achieve and then working backwards to identify the most relevant outputs, activities and inputs to achieve them

INPUTS

Inputs include...

- Financial resources
- Human resources
- · Facilities & equipment
- · Knowledge or expertise



ACTIVITIES

Activities include...

- Workshops
- · Sport/exercise sessions
- · Marketing & promotions
- Training courses
- Interventions



OUTPUTS

Outputs include...

- · Participants & throughput
- · Sessions delivered
- Number of people trained
- Improvements to facilities



OUTCOMES

Outcomes include...

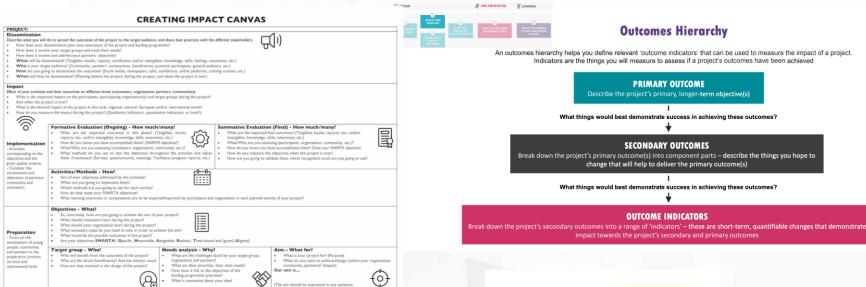
- Increase in levels of physical activity
- Improved sport provision
- Changes to attitudes
- · Improved health



Football Example;

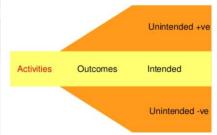
Level 1 bursary > FA Level 1 Coaching qualification > Level 1 coach qualified with youth team > Club Accreditation criteria met for the season.

TAKING MEASUREMENT & EVALUATION A STEP FURTHER





Developed by Juan Ratto-Nielsen for Léargas - "Creating Impact TC" May 11-15, 2016 - Malahide, Dublin, Ireland Trainers: Deirdre Q.



SHARING AND CELEBRATING SUCCESS

- Think about the different audiences you have
- Make it authentic and meaningful
- Build it into your calendar
- Use a full range of methods to tell the world about your success
 - Annual report
 - Info graphics/images
 - presentations





CLUB SUCCESS WEBINAR

WAYNE HARRIS

Chairman, Hythe & Dibden Youth Football Club

IS OUR CLUB A
SUCCESS?
HAVE WE MADE IT?



WHAT IS SUCCESS?

"Success is peace of mind, which is a direct result of selfsatisfaction in knowing you made the effort to do your best to become the best that you are capable of becoming."



WHAT DOES SUCCESS MEAN TO THE COACHES?

- Accessible Support
- Education, learning opportunities
- Minimal friction with parents
- Happy children

- Development with all kids in all 4 corners
- Opportunities and options for all children

WHAT DOES SUCCESS MEAN TO THE **PARENTS?**

- Happy children, who feel part of a team and are treated fairly
- Respectful, positive coaching at all times
- Kids get praise and support no matter what level of ability
- Inclusive, going the extra mile to integrate children

- Helping all children achieve their potential
- A supportive environment free from discrimination of any kind
- Parents (and children) are aware of the Club's pathways to discuss anything that is bothering them so any issues are dealt with quickly.

WHAT DOES SUCCESS MEAN TO THE **CHILDREN?**



Fun!



Safe



Praise



Rewarding



Learning both football & life skills

WHAT DOES SUCCESS MEAN TO THE COMMITTEE?

- Security, both in terms of finance and infrastructure
- Minimal complaints from parents
- Successful health checks
- Recognition from peers and the FA
- Happy coaches, enabling them to do the best they can

- Clear processes
- Comfortable with roles and responsibilities
- Future proofing
- Good retention / growth rates

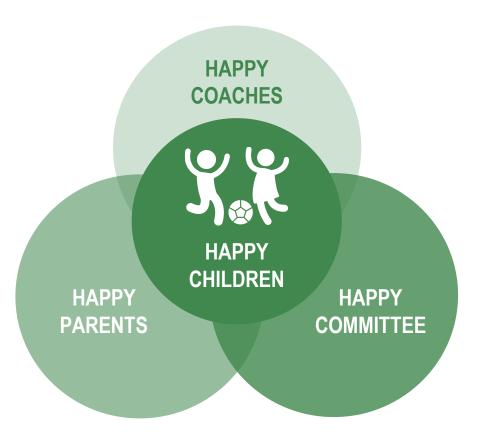
SO WHAT DOES SUCCESS LOOK LIKE FOR OUR CLUB?

Firstly we needed a guiding light, a blueprint and a set of targets, then it was down to our volunteers to work their magic.



Our recipe

FOR SUCCESS



Our north star...

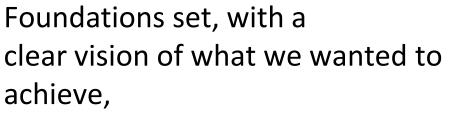
WE ALL CAN PLAY



OUR GLUE THAT BRINGS
THIS ALL TOGETHER IS
ENVIRONMENT

We believe by having a structure in place to be able to suit each child's individual needs we can always ensure we are able to provide the correct environment to continue a child's enjoyment and learning.





WE SET OUT ON OUR PURSUIT OF SUCCESS.



ONCE THE ENVIRONMENT IS CORRECT, SUCCESS WILL FOLLOW.

We had massively under achieved in the development of girls football. This had to change and in 2017 it was our primary focus.





A COACH SUCCESS STORY: GIRLS FOOTBALL

- Brommers has championed girls football at Hythe & Dibden
- Taken the importance of winning away, focuses on positives and achieving simple targets.
- Built reputation locally for girls football, with support from Southampton FC's Saints Foundation.
- Success: Chloe Johnson came in clinging to mums leg. Now a star player, playing with boys teams too.
- 1st season lost all but one game. This season won most. Now 3 full teams plus a young girls development centre.
- Growth down to new environment. Losing and learning, coming off the pitch smiling.
- x5 players gone to Southampton Academy



WHOLE CLUB SPONSOR

"We have chosen to sponsor Hythe and Dibden Youth Football club, as we have seen first hand the commitment and energy delivered to local kids in our community. The club ethos is sound and mirrors what New Forest Care stands for. Hythe and Dibden Youth football is not just about progressing as a footballer, it plays a bigger role in building self esteem, promoting self discipline, team work, promoting commitment, providing positive physical activity and bringing a community together for children and adults alike."

Director, New Forest Care

IMPROVED HOW WE SHARE SUCCESS WITH PARENTS / THE COMMUNITY









The JANYNE HERDING **Award**



COMMITTEE SUCCESS: RECOGNITION



CLUB OF THE YEAR

(HAMPSHIRE WINNER)



TheFA Charter Standard Community Club.



SECURING THE FUTURE OF THE CLUB'S FACILITIES



CONCLUSION

- Success is an 'end' there is no end in football.
- We always have targets, and always looking to make marginal gains. When we're successful in those, we'll set new targets and look for new ways to improve what we're doing.

- You can't please all the people all the time, but having a clear philosophy and values helps to guide decision making and keep everyone's focus aligned.
- If we're keeping parents, players and coaches happy, we're successful.



LEAGUE CASE STUDY



Norfolk Combined Youth Football League

Success = being able to provide a safe, supportive and enjoyable opportunity to play football.











76 Clubs

Link your success to your vision

Use data to support conversations

Bring everyone together to help you be successful

Connect and share knowledge



Vision = being able to provide a safe, supportive and enjoyable opportunity to play football.

OPEN DISCUSSION/QUESTIONS

- Ask Questions
- Share your own experiences
- Share your current challenges
- Solutions



If you'd like to contribute, either

- Please type your name and club/org. into the chat box so we can effectively bring you into discussion or
- 2. Please type a question/comment which one of the presenters will raise



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