



**FOOTBALL***FUTURES*

Westmorland County Football  
Association Limited

## **Football Futures**

Young Leadership and Volunteering Programme 2017

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# WESTMORLAND COUNTY FA FOOTBALL FUTURES PROGRAMME

The Westmorland County FA Football Futures Programme provides opportunities for young people, aged 12-18, to 'get involved'. Primarily, the Programme encourages experiential learning, regarding many aspects of the game. These experiences can be from a range of environments, such as an education establishment, Charter Standard club or league or directly through your County FA.

The Football Futures Programme enables young people to gain valuable experience and develop skills that can be applied to all walks of life. Leaders in the programme will be offered support to gain football related qualifications such as the FA Level 1 Coaching Award and Refereeing qualifications. Young Leaders can track their volunteer hours and get rewarded through the County FA at the following milestones:-

- 25 Hours
- 50 Hours
- 75 Hours
- 100 Hours

The contacts below can provide further details regarding the Leadership and Volunteering Programme:

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**Young Leaders can choose to volunteer within a number of environments**



**1. Coaching and Working with Teams**

Opportunities could include; coaching or working with a team in a college, school, Charter Standard Club or The FA club links programme. This can be as small as assisting an experienced coach, to running one-off coaching sessions, to working with a team on a regular basis in training and also on a match days.

**2. Refereeing**

Refereeing games within club, school or college on a voluntary basis. Young Leaders can get involved in refereeing small-sided games, intra-school football or choose to focus on 11v11 football and become part of the National Referee Development programme.

**3. Running and Supporting Events**

Assisting in the co-ordination and organisation of an event(s). It can be any kind of event from intra school football to regional or national tournaments.

**4. Running and Developing the Game**

Assisting in the running of a Charter Standard club or league or an intra-school league. This can involve supporting the fixture secretary, taking minutes at committee meetings or writing development plans to increase participation etc.

**5. Promoting the Game**

Many Young Leaders will probably have already been involved in promoting the game through volunteering activities and not even have realised it! For example, creating a Facebook group for your club, team or league? That is part of promoting the game. Running a website? Writing match reports? Photography? The Promoting the Game strand of the Football Futures programme is designed to cater for these activities.

**6. RESPECT Ambassador**

Ensuring all players have signed up to the Respect Codes of Conduct, putting up Respect barriers and ensuring that teams all understand the competition rules and regulations etc. This work will ensure that the club, league, school, college or university's Respect practices are adhered and is rewarded through the programme.

## **Benefits to Young Leaders**

- Recognition and rewards for your volunteering
- Certificates issued by The FA and the chance to earn free kit and equipment plus discounts on coaching and refereeing courses
- Opportunities to gain new FA qualifications
- The chance to make new friends and work with Young Leaders from across the county
- Opportunities to work with Westmorland County FA to help organise events and attend leadership camps
- The chance to gain new skills and experiences to put on your CV

## **How does it work?**

- Register your interest by contacting Westmorland County FA via e-mail [Graeme.Blair@WestmorlandFA.com](mailto:Graeme.Blair@WestmorlandFA.com)
- Complete a simple registration form and we will send an invite to the induction evening on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September 2017 where you will receive an FA Log Book
- Start to log your volunteer hours and take advantage of the opportunities we will offer you along the way.

## **What hours can I log?**

- Any hours that are voluntary and football related -they can be in coaching, refereeing, organising events, helping run a team or league, helping with a club/school website or newsletter etc.
- Any hours that count as training for new qualifications – referee course, coaching course, Junior Football Leaders Course, Westmorland County FA workshops and camps.

## Football Futures Rewards

- 25 Hours - Football Futures Certificate and entry into £50.00 sports store voucher prize draw
- 50 Hours - Westmorland FA Football Futures t-shirt
- 75 Hours – Westmorland FA Football Futures tracksuit
- 100 Hours - Free Level 1 Coaching Course / Youth Module 1 Course County FA Recognition, FA and County FA nomination for Regional and National awards and events



## Event List

<u>Event Title</u>	<u>Football Futures Strand</u>	<u>Date(s) and times</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Price</u>
<b>FF Programme Launch Night</b>		Friday 8th September 6pm – 7.30pm	Westmorland County FA	FREE
<b>FF Coach Training Evening</b>		TBC	TBC	FREE
<b>Westmorland FA Football Fun Days</b>	Coaching 4 – 11 year olds	October Half Term	Castle Park Primary School, LA9 6BE.	FREE
<b>Assigned to local junior team</b>	8-14	Full season	Club training	FREE
<b>Kent Valley Trophy Event</b>	Running the game/Refereeing	September 2017, October 2017, November 2017, March 2018, April 2018, May 2018	TBC	FREE
<b>Youth Futsal League</b>	Running the game/Promoting the game	October – December	Queen Katherine School	FREE
<b>Westmorland FA Fun Days</b>	Coaching 4-11 year olds	February Half Term/Easter Holiday/Summer Holidays	Castle Park School	FREE
<b>Youth Futsal League</b>	Running the game/Promoting the game	January- February	Dallam School	FREE
<b>FA Refereeing Course</b>	Refereeing	October 2017 or March 2018	Westmorland County FA	14 – 15 years £65.00 16 – 17 years £100.00

<b>FA Level 1 Coaching Course</b>		May 2018	Westmorland County FA	
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