

UNITED COUNTIES FOOTBALL

LEAGUE

AGM 2018/2019



SATURDAY 23RD JUNE 2018 - 10:30am

NENE VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE, CANDY STREET,

PETERBOROUGH, PE2 9RE



# United Counties Football League

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Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of the United Counties Football League will be held on Saturday 23rd June 2018 at 10:30am at Nene Valley Community Centre, Candy Street, Peterborough PE2 9RE

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John Weeks  
Chairman



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## Minutes of the Annual General Meeting

Held on: 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017

- In Attendance: Member Clubs, Directors, Board Members and Guests as listed in the League Register
- Apologies: Ken Ambridge President, Russell Matthews, Cliff Mills, David Holmes, Laurence Jones Head of League and Club Services Football Participation and Development Division The Football Association, Keith Murdoch Chief Executive Officer Leicestershire & Rutland County Football Association
- Notice of Meeting: This was read by the League Secretary
- Welcome: The Chairman gave a warm welcome to all the Member Clubs, Directors, Board Member and guests.  
The Chairman requested all present to observe a minute's silence in respect of all friends and associates that have passed this season.
- Minutes: The minutes of the AGM held on 22nd June 2016 as circulated were unanimously accepted and confirmed as a true and correct record and endorsed by the Chairman
- Matters arising: None
- Chairman's Report: As circulated - This was unanimously accepted and adopted by the meeting.
- Statement of Verified Accounts: These were accepted by the meeting.
- Elections to the Board: The following elections were unanimously accepted en-bloc:
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|---------------------|--|
| President           | Mr KH Ambridge                         |
| Vice Chairman       | Mr A Poulain                           |
| Secretary           | Mrs W Newey                            |
| Commercial Director | Mr J Smith                             |
| Fixtures Director   | Mr R Walker                            |
| Board Members       | Mr S Coles, Mr D Foster, Mr R Matthews |
| Accountant          | Mr D Moore of Stephenson Smart & Co    |
- Proposed Alteration to Rules: These had been circulated prior to the AGM as approved by The FA and unanimously accepted en-bloc.
- Constitution of Divisions 2017/18: A set of recommendations had been circulated with the AGM Booklet - unanimously accepted.  
  
The chairman asked the floor to pass a resolution confirming the agreement of accepting Olney Town FC into the constitution without the appropriate ground grading - unanimously accepted.
- Commencement of Season: 5th August 2017 (28th July 2017 for Groundhop Weekend)
- Conclusion of Season: 30th April 2018

Presentations: The following presentations were made on behalf of the League by J Weeks and A Poulain

40 Years' Service to the League	John Walker
Fair Play Award Premier/Division One	Stewarts & Lloyds AFC
Fair Play Award Reserve Team	Lutterworth Athletic Reserves
Presentation of £100 Cheque for Fair Play Award	Peterborough Northern Star FC
Presentation of Hospitality Award - Marked by Referees	Oadby Town FC
Presentation of Hospitality Award - Marked by Clubs	Potton United FC
Presentation of £100 Cheque for Hospitality Award	Potton United FC
Presentation of Highest Aggregate of Goals Trophy	Peterborough Sports FC
Presentation of Manager of the Year	Jimmy Dean of Peterborough Sports FC
Presentation of Administrator of the Year	Austin Goldsmith of Deeping Rangers FC
Presentation of Eric Evans Award to Referee of Year	Oliver Mackey
Presentation of Respect Award	Yaxley FC
Groundsman Award Season	
Winner	David Holmes of Deeping Rangers FC
Runners Up	Mick Bogusz and Karl Humber of Yaxley FC
Jeremy Biggs Programme of the Year Award	Peterborough Northern Star FC
April 2017 Goal scorer of the Month	Mathew Cullis of Newport Pagnell Town
April 2017 Division One Manager of the Month	Stephen Hendley of Melton Town

Vote of Thanks to League Officers: Peterborough Sports FC gave thanks to the League Board on behalf of all clubs for their hard work over the season.

Vote of Thanks: The Chairman thanked Yaxley Football Club for hosting the AGM.

John Weeks  
Chairman

UNITED COUNTIES FOOTBALL LEAGUE  
(A PRIVATE COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE)  
DIRECTORS' REPORT AND UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2018

COMPANY INFORMATION

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<b>Directors</b>	J Weeks (Chairman) A Poulain (Vice Chairman) W Newey (Company Secretary) I Hughes (Development Director) R Walker (Fixture Director) T Mitchell (Discipline Director)
<b>Secretary</b>	W Newey (Company Secretary)
<b>Company number</b>	08012244
<b>Registered office</b>	Nene Valley Community Centre Candy Street Peterborough PE2 9RE
<b>Accountants</b>	Accounts & Moore 6b Park Farm Off Sandpit Road Thorney Peterborough PE6 0SY
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## UNITED COUNTIES FOOTBALL LEAGUE

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### DIRECTORS REPORT

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2018**

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The directors present their annual report and financial statements for the year ended 31 May 2018.

#### Principal activities

The principal activity of the company continued to be that of administrator of all matters relating to the United Counties Football League.

#### Directors

The directors who held office during the year and up to the date of signature of the financial statements were as follows:

J Weeks (Chairman)

I Hughes (Development Director)

R Walker (Fixture Director)

A Poulain (Vice Chairman)

W Newey (Company Secretary)

T Mitchell (Discipline Director)

#### Chairman's report on behalf of the Directors

'A Season like no other' is probably the best way to describe 2017/18. With the exceptional weather interrupting procedures before Christmas, pitch availability became a premium and our long-serving Fixtures Secretary Roger Walker's life became a nightmare. Imagine if you will, seeing all your hard work wiped out at a stroke, week after week! Trying to make sense of the mayhem was bad enough but having to suffer ill-informed personal criticism in the media was disgraceful. As I have said to more than one such person: the buck stops with me. My phone number is freely available. Ring me and you will be able to civilly discuss any football matter.

Amongst the compounded problems, Leicester Nirvana's pitch was unusable from early December until mid-April, but they buckled down and hired pitches to enable them to honour their fixtures, eventually finishing in a very respectable 6th position and beating Yaxley in the League KO Cup. Oadby had similar issues, losing the use of their clubhouse, but again they rolled up their sleeves and used other local facilities, when some Clubs may have called it a day.

It is sad to see the demise of Olney Town FC and Buckingham Town FC long standing League members, although Buckingham rapidly reformed.

St Andrews joined us and after a torrid season they eventually settled in a relegation position along with Sileby Rangers. Hopefully they will both find their feet in Division One next Season.

Division One new boys Lutterworth Town and eventual Division One champions Pinchbeck had season-long battles in their quests for immediate promotion but eventually Potton took the second spot at the final post, making a welcome return to the Premier Division.

Yaxley's change of manager in September brought about a rapid change in their fortunes and Andy Furnell's boys sat atop the League for five months, with points in hand. The pundits predicted any one of six clubs would knock them from their perch but eventually goal difference on the final day of the Season handed them the Premier Championship, as runners-up Wisbech could only settle for a 1-1 draw in their last home match in front of a bumper 500+ crowd against Daventry.

This thrilling scenario applied to both the top and bottom of all Divisions, with many positions only settled at the death. A very much appreciated and respectful gesture was the 'guard of honour' provided by Leicester Nirvana and Bourne Reserves, applauding both Yaxley and Bugbrooke Reserves respectively with their presentations.

We feel our work is truly done when Clubs leave us on promotion to Step 4 and whilst we are always sad to see old friends depart, they go with our blessing and best wishes for the future. Yaxley join old friend Peterborough Sports in the Southern League Eastern Division whilst Wisbech head in the opposite direction to the Northern Premier League Eastern Division.

With the FA announcing new league allocations and slimmer divisions wholesale changes became necessary. Potton's legendary hospitality will be missed as they join the Spartan South Midlands League at step 5 along with Buckingham Town at step 6. After many years absence we welcome back Rugby Town to our Premier Division.

Division One welcomes a whole host of new boys in Anstey Nomads, Aylestone Park, Birstall United Social and Holwell Sports which will provide plenty of Leicestershire derbies.

We are sorry to see both Oakham and Stewart and Lloyd's leave us having been relegated to step 7 where they will hopefully revitalize and soon challenge to re-join us.

The FA have indicated there will be two more Step 6 Leagues and a new Step 3 and 4 League next Season, all of which may impinge on us, either directly or indirectly. We can only hope that these changes will bring reduced travelling distances and more local derbies, both of which should have a positive effect on Club finances.

**Chairman's report on behalf of the Directors (continued)**

We have now completed a year utilising our new facilities at Nene Valley Community Centre, which goes from strength to strength under the able management team headed up by Wendy, with Georgie, Sam, Brandon and others behind the scenes, Wendy's very supportive family even helping at our Cup Finals. A big thank you to you all.

My thanks also extend to all those involved in our League Management team, who tirelessly give up their time to help Clubs and the League at every opportunity. My support from Alan has been unflinching. Roger has at last emerged from his fixtures nightmare. Ian, Trevor and the rest of the team have been available at a phone call's notice. The League should be proud to have such outstanding and dedicated servants within their midst.

Amongst my last words I must mention with sadness the passing of our revered President, Ken Ambridge, who died before Christmas. It was his wish that I take up the mantle of Presidency from him and I readily accepted. This does not mean that I am stepping down as Chairman – yet! I will continue to fulfil both roles at present and there is much important work to do, particularly planning the 125 year celebrations in 2020, for which Wicksteed Park has already been booked. For a grand dinner, not the swings!!

Best wishes to you all for next Season. I can only hope the weather will be kinder to us all.

John Weeks, Chairman

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**CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS ' REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON THE PREPARATION OF THE UNAUDITED STATUTORY FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF  
UNITED COUNTIES FOOTBALL LEAGUE CIC FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2018**

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In order to assist you to fulfil your duties under the Companies Act 2006, we have prepared for your approval the financial statements of United Counties Football League for the year ended 31 May 2018 which comprise the Income and Expenditure Account and the Balance Sheet from the company's accounting records and from information and explanations you have given us.

As a practising member firm of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants, we are subject to its ethical and other professional requirements which are detailed at <http://www.accaglobal.com/en/member/professionalstandards/rules-standards/acca-rulebook.html>.

This report is made solely to the board of directors of United Counties Football League, as a body, in accordance with the terms of our engagement letter dated 1 May 2018. Our work has been undertaken solely to prepare for your approval the financial statements of United Counties Football League and state those matters that we have agreed to state to the board of directors of United Counties Football League, as a body, in this report in accordance with the requirements of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants as detailed at [http://www.accaglobal.com/content/dam/ACCA\\_Global/Technical/fact/technical-factsheet-163.pdf](http://www.accaglobal.com/content/dam/ACCA_Global/Technical/fact/technical-factsheet-163.pdf) . To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than United Counties Football League and its board of directors as a body, for our work or for this report.

It is your duty to ensure that United Counties Football League has kept adequate accounting records and to prepare statutory financial statements that give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities, financial position and surplus of United Counties Football League. You consider that United Counties Football League is exempt from the statutory audit requirement for the year.

We have not been instructed to carry out an audit or a review of the financial statements of United Counties Football League. For this reason, we have not verified the accuracy or completeness of the accounting records or information and explanations you have given to us and we do not, therefore, express any opinion on the statutory financial statements.

**Accounts & Moore**

7 June 2018

**Certified Accountants**

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2018

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	2018 £	2017 £
<b>Income</b>	53,335	55,806
Other Income	11	9
Staff costs	(2,350)	(5,790)
Depreciation and other amounts written off assets	-	(77)
Other charges	(50,903)	(49,752)
<b>Surplus</b>	<u>93</u>	<u>196</u>

**UNITED COUNTIES FOOTBALL LEAGUE**

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**BALANCE SHEET**

**AS AT 31 MAY 2018**

	<b>2018</b>		<b>2017</b>	
	£	£	£	£
Current assets	39,869		39,776	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	(780)		(780)	
	<u>39,869</u>		<u>39,776</u>	
Net current assets		39,089		38,996
Net assets		<u>39,089</u>		<u>38,996</u>
Capital and reserves		<u>39,089</u>		<u>38,996</u>

United Counties Football League is a private company limited by guarantee incorporated in England and Wales. The registered office is Nene Valley Community Centre, Candy Street, Peterborough, PE2 9RE.


For the year ended 31 May 2018 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small companies.

The directors acknowledge their responsibilities for complying with the requirements of the Act with respect to accounting records and preparation of financial statements.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year in question in accordance with section 476.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the micro-entity provisions and in accordance with FRS 105: The Financial Reporting Standard applicable to the Micro-entities Regime.

The financial statements were approved by the board of directors and authorised for issue on 7 June 2018 and are signed on its behalf by:



J Weeks (Chairman)

**Director**

**Company Registration Number 08012244**

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DETAILED TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2018

	£	Year ended 31 May 2018 £	2017 £	Year ended 31 May £
<b>Turnover</b>				
ChromaSport & Trophies sponsorship		6,601		6,666
Subscriptions		13,130		12,445
FA grant		11,000		11,357
Fines		6,105		4,381
Apprenticeship scheme partnership funding		-		2,500
Teamsheet and Referee pad sales		868		931
Donations received		-		150
Transfers		2,655		2,700
Registrations		10,560		10,626
Knock out cup final receipts		1,866		3,000
Ground grading income		400		900
New club application fee		150		150
		<u>53,335</u>		<u>55,806</u>
<b>Other Income</b>				
Bank Interest Received	11		9	
		11		9
<b>Staff Costs</b>				
Wages and salaries	1,000		740	
Directors remuneration	1,350		5,050	
		<u>(2,350)</u>		<u>(5,790)</u>
<b>Depreciation and other amounts written off assets</b>				
Depreciation	-		77	
		<u>-</u>		<u>(77)</u>

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DETAILED TRADING AND PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT (CONTINUED)

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2018

	£	2018 £	£	2017 £
<b>Other charges</b>				
Staff training	-		205	
PDFL Management Charge	25,159		27,281	
Rent	3,900		650	
Medals, ties and badge	2,273		1,566	
Premises expenses	-		951	
Cleaning	-		100	
Insurance	504		398	
Knock out cup expenses	1,072		1,008	
Referee assessors scheme	2,541		2,541	
Computer Maintenance	1,422		1,859	
Travelling expenses	4,830		2,457	
Postage	60		114	
Charter Standard courses	1,262		3,343	
Accountancy	780		780	
Bank charges	158		127	
Rothwell Town debt write off	300		-	
Printing	1,129		1,034	
Office Stationery	542		1,094	
Advertising	331		476	
Telecommunications	3,352		3,398	
Long service/team awards	72		370	
125 years celebration costs	315		-	
Sundry expenses	26		-	
		(50,903)		(49,752)
<b>Profit for the year</b>		<u>93</u>		<u>196</u>

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NOTES TO THE BALANCE SHEET

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MAY 2018

<b>1</b>	<b>Current Assets</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	Barclays current account	5,975	5,969
	Barclays deposit account	15,011	30,000
	Medal stock	3,600	1,374
	AGM award stock	1,675	-
	Team sheet/referee pads stock	515	1,034
	Match ball stock	12,064	-
	Trade debtors	489	365
	PAYE paid in advance	540	734
	Rothwell Town debt	-	300
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		39,869	39,776
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<b>2</b>	<b>Schedule of Creditors less than one year</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
		<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
	Accountancy accrual	780	780
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		780	780
		<hr/> <hr/>	<hr/> <hr/>
<b>4</b>	<b>Schedule of Tangible fixed assets</b>		Fixtures and fittings
	<b>Cost</b>		
	At 1 June 2017 and 31 May 2018		<hr/> 5,583
	<b>Depreciation</b>		
	At 1 June 2017 and 31 May 2018		<hr/> 5,583
	<b>Carrying Amount</b>		
	At 31 May 2018		<hr/> <hr/> -
	At 31 May 2017		<hr/> <hr/> -



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## Election of President, Life Members, Board, Directors and Accountant

<b>President</b>	Mr J Weeks
<b>Life Member</b>	Brian Hill, Michael Vincent
<b>Chairman</b>	Mr J Weeks
<b>Disciplinary Director</b>	Mr T Mitchell
<b>Commercial Director</b>	Mr J Smith
<b>Development Director</b>	Mr I Hughes
<b>Board Members</b>	Mr E Slinn, Mr D Holmes and Mr A Lathwell
<b>Accountant</b>	Accounts & Moore Chartered Certified Accountants

## United Counties Football League Rule Amendments

League Amendments Delete in Red

League Amendments New Rules in Blue

FA Standard Code of Rules Delete in Green

FA Standard Code of Rules New Rules in Pink

### 1. DEFINITIONS

“Commercial Agreements” means all or any Agreement or Agreements with any third party including but not limited to broadcasting, media, sponsorship, marketing, merchandising, licensing and advertising, for the general promotion of each or any of the Clubs in the Competition and the Company, and which have the object of promoting the welfare and general commercial interest and increasing the financial resources of each of the Clubs, the Company and the Competition.

“Football Turf (3G) Pitch (FTP)” means a field of play (as that term is defined in the Laws of the Game) that has, following installation and prior to the commencement of each subsequent Playing Season, been awarded a FIFA Recommended One Star / IATS (International Artificial Turf Standard) or Two Star Certificate and which otherwise conforms to the requirements of the Laws of the Game.

“Football Turf (3G) Pitch (FTP)” means a field of play (as that term is defined in the Laws of the Game) that has, following installation and prior to the commencement of each subsequent Playing Season, been awarded the relevant FIFA Performance requirement (FIFA Two and One Star or Pro and Quality) and which otherwise conforms to the requirements of the Laws of the Game.

“Short Term Loan” means a loan transfer for a period of no fewer than 28 days and no more than 93 days in any one season

“Youth Loan” means a loan transfer for a period of no fewer than 28 days of a Player who is a qualifying Player within the terms of the Rules.

- 1.2 The Rules are taken from the Standardised Rules determined by The FA from time to time. In the event of any omissions from the Standardised Rules then the requirements of the Standardised Rules shall be deemed to apply to the Competition.

### 2. MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENTS

- 2.3.3 A Club’s Ground must comply with the Criteria Document for the step in the National League System at which the Club is playing. Each Club that is required to hold a safety certificate issued in accordance with safety legislation must lodge a current copy with the Competition. If a Clubs’ ground is subject to any reduction in capacity by a public authority it must immediately inform the Competition.
- 2.25 Each Club shall comply with the provisions of Appendix C – the ‘Licencing System’, as approved by the FA Council from time to time.

### 3. MEMBERSHIP – ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

- 3.1 Any Club applying allocated for membership of the Company shall submit to the Company a fully completed Membership application form, the application fee and non-refundable ground inspection fee set out in the Fees Tariff (also see Rule 2.5)

### 6. REGISTRATION OF PLAYERS

- 6.4.2 Each Team must have at least eleven sixteen (11 16) Players registered fourteen (14) days before the start of each Playing Season.
- 6.4.8 A Club may name up to a maximum of five (5) players on a Team Sheet who are either Short Term Loan, Long Term Loan, or Work Experience. Any Club in breach of this Rule which results in more than 5 of such players entering the field of play during the course of any one fixture will be deemed to have played an ineligible player(s) and will be dealt with in accordance with Rule 6.9.
- 6.4.10 The Company at its discretion may approve at any time the registration of an additional goalkeeper on a short-term basis if none of the Clubs’ registered goalkeepers are available ahead of a Competition Match.
- 6.6.1 Where the Rules of the relevant League permit, Short Term Loans and Long-Term Loans of Contract players shall be allowed to or from Clubs in membership of: -
- Where a Short-Term Loan, [Youth Loan] or Long-Term Loan (or period of Work Experience) expires on or after the last match of the season and the Club finishes in a Play-Off Position, and both Clubs agree, the Loans shall be extended to include the Club’s remaining Play-Off Matches. Any such extension is not subject to any time limits that would otherwise apply and must be agreed in writing by the player’s parent Club and be registered with the Competition and the Association in accordance with these Rules.
- 6.6.2 Short Term Loan Transfers
- A Club can have up to a maximum of twelve (12) Short Term Loans during a Playing Season. The minimum period of a Short-Term Loan transfer must be twenty-eight (28) days with a maximum period to the end of the Playing Season of ninety-three (93) days in any one Playing Season.
- Any Short-Term Loan transfer which may terminate after the last day for registrations may be extended for a further period provided the maximum period of 93 days is not exceeded loan period does not extend beyond the current Playing Season

### 6.8 Substitute Players

A Club at its discretion may use three substitute Players at any time in a match. Substitution can only be made when play is stopped for any reason and the Referee has given permission. When a Club is making a substitution in Premier Division and Division One Matches it shall use a board to show the number of the Player to be substituted and the number of the substitute Player. The substitution board used shall be branded as determined by the Competition.

### 6.9 Playing An Ineligible Player

Any Club found to have played an ineligible Player in a match or matches shall, save for exceptional circumstances, have any points gained from that match or matches deducted from its record, up to a maximum of 12 points, and have levied upon it a fine. The Board may also order that such match or matches be replayed on such terms as are decided by the Board which may also levy penalty points against the Club in default.

The Company Board may vary this its decision in respect of the points gained only in circumstances where:

the ineligibility is due to the failure to obtain an International Transfer Certificate or

where the ineligibility is related to a change in the Player’s status with the Club for whom he is registered or

where the Board determined that exceptional circumstances exist

## 7. CLUB COLOURS

- 7.1 On or before a date specified by the Company each year, every Club shall notify the Competition Secretary, in writing, of details of their first choice colours for outfield players and their goalkeeper (shirts, shorts and socks) and such details shall be printed in the Handbook published by the Company for the ensuing Playing Season. The colours registered by each Club shall be worn during the following season when playing at home. Shirts must be numbered between 1 and 17 such that the numbers can be clearly identified by officials and spectators. Striped, hooped or otherwise patterned shirts shall have numbers affixed to contrasting patches or numbers in a contrasting colour with bold outline. No changes to the first choice colours or combination of colours shall be permitted without the consent of the Board. **Subject to the consent of the Board, each Club is authorised on one occasion per Playing Season to wear an alternative strip in a home match.**
- 7.6 Both sleeves of the shirts of all players in matches played under the jurisdiction of the Company shall carry a Competition logo as supplied by the Competition on an annual basis if so decided by the Board. When playing in other competitions the shirts of all Players must include the Competition logo. **Shirt Advertising must comply with FA Kit and Advertising Regulations.**

## 8. PLAYING OF MATCHES.

- 8.16 The Board shall determine the policy of the Competition for the issuing of match day passes. **A home Club cannot refuse the admission into the ground of an away Club Official, as defined in the Rules of the Association, save for that individual being subject to a suspension or banning order from the Association or Competition.**
- 8.17 **All Clubs at Steps 1 to 4 are required to have a defibrillator available at all home matches.**

## MATCH MANAGEMENT

- 8.26 The occupants of the technical area must behave in a responsible manner at all times. Misconduct by occupants of this area will be reported by the Referee to The FA, who shall have the power to impose sanctions as deemed fit. **Any occupant dismissed from the technical area shall immediately go to a location within the ground from which they cannot view the remainder of the game.**

## POST MATCH MANAGEMENT

- 8.30 Each Club shall enter information from the match result form by the method instructed by the Competition and shall submit the fully completed copy of the appropriate match result forms by facsimile, or email, **or the relevant IT system** to the Appointing Authority and the Competition within 3 days of the match. When a Club considers that the Referee has discharged his duties incompetently and awards a mark of 60 or less, a detailed report must be sent to the Appointing Authority within three days of the match by the method instructed by the Appointing Authority. Clubs in default of any provision of the Rule will be subject to a fine for each offence.

## 12. CHAMPION, RELEGATION

- Goal difference – **The goals scored against by each Club shall be deducted from the goals scored by that Club and the largest positive and smallest negative difference shall be placed the highest. If any two or more Clubs have scored the same number of points their position in the division shall be determined on goal difference, that is to say, the difference between the total number of goals scored by and against a Club in League Matches in that Season, and the higher or highest placed Club shall be the Club with the higher or highest goal difference.**

## 14. MATCH OFFICIALS

- 14.9 Three match balls proposed to be used in the match and, if applicable, supplied by the Company under a ball sponsorship agreement must be submitted to and approved by the Referee before the commencement of the match in his/her dressing room. It is the responsibility of the Club playing at home in each match played under the jurisdiction of the Competition to provide match balls in accordance with any match ball agreement signed by the Company. **The official Competition match ball must be used in all Competition matches and pre-match warm-ups.**

## 18. TROPHY

The Company shall present to the Winners **and Runners Up** of all divisions in the Competition eighteen souvenirs.

In addition, a Competition championship trophy and Flag will be presented as and when the Board determine.

The Clubs concerned will also receive a permanent souvenir.

The trophies and Flags are the property of the Company and may never be won outright. A trophy presented to the Competition shall be vested in the Association sanctioning the Competition as Trustees. If a trophy is not required for any cause, it shall be returned to the Donor if the conditions attach for it so provide, or held in trust, or otherwise dealt with as the Association may decide. **A runners' up trophy and medals may also be awarded at the discretion of the Company.**

## KNOCK-OUT COMPETITIONS

### 8 Duration of Matches/Extra time and Penalties

If the Competition is arranged in to geographical divisions as allowed for under Rule 2 then all group matches will be played over 90 minutes. No extra time will be played in group matches and penalty kicks will not be taken to determine the winners of a drawn match. In matches played after the group stage has concluded the duration of matches will be the same as shown below for the Knock Out Competition

**If the Competition is arranged on a Knock Out basis then in all matches played, including the final tie, extra time shall be played where a draw results after 90 minutes play. If scores are still level after extra time then penalty kicks will be taken to determine the winners, shall be played to a conclusion, if after 90 minutes the scores are level penalty kicks shall be taken, as set out by the Football Association Limited. There is no provision for replays.**

### Fees Tariff

Rule	Subject Matter	Amount (£)
3.2	Membership	£100.00
3.2	Annual Subscription Premier Division/Division 1 Non-Charter Standard Club will be charged an additional fee per Team.	£290.00 £305.00 £100.00



## Reserves Rules

**20E(iv)** In the event of a Competition Match not being played or abandoned owing to causes over which neither Club has control, it should be played in its entirety on a date to be mutually agreed by the two Clubs and approved by the Management Committee. Failing such agreement and notification to the (*Fixtures*) Secretary within two days the Management Committee shall have the power to order the Competition Match to be played on a named date or on or before a given date. Where it is to the advantage of the Competition and the Clubs involved agree, the Management Committee shall also be empowered to order the score at the time of an abandonment to stand. **If approved by the board after consideration of the circumstances, a club may be required to pay any direct expenses incurred by the opposing club up to the maximum shown in the fines tariff.** The residue (if any) to be equally divided between the two Clubs after deducting the cost of advertising, printing, posting, police and match officials charges. The home Club shall take the whole of the proceeds of the second match.

## RESERVE KNOCK-OUT COMPETITION

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## UNDER 21 KNOCK-OUT COMPETITIONS

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## SCHEDULE A

FEES TARIFF			
RULE NUMBER	DESCRIPTION		MAXIMUM FEE
4 (B)	CLUB/TEAM ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION	Reserves	£50.00 £65.00
		Under 21s	£50.00 £65.00
20 (E) (iv)	DIRECT EXPENSES		£50.00

**Premier Division (20)**

Boston Town FC  
Cogenhoe United FC  
Daventry Town FC  
Deeping Rangers FC  
Desborough Town FC  
Eynesbury Rovers FC  
Harborough Town FC  
Holbeach United FC  
Kirby Muxloe FC  
Leicester Nirvana FC  
Newport Pagnell Town FC  
Northampton ON Chenecks FC  
Oadby Town FC  
Peterborough Northern Star FC  
Pinchbeck United FC  
Rothwell Corinthians FC  
Rugby Town FC  
Sleaford Town FC  
Wellingborough Town FC  
Wellingborough Whitworth FC

**Division One (20)**

Anstey Nomads FC  
Aylestone Park FC  
Birstall United Social FC  
Blackstones FC  
Bourne Town FC  
Bugbrooke St Michaels FC  
Burton Park Wanderers FC  
Harrowby United FC  
Holwell Sports FC  
Huntingdon Town FC  
Irchester United FC  
Long Buckby AFC  
Lutterworth Athletic FC  
Lutterworth Town FC  
Melton Town FC  
Northampton Sileby Rangers FC  
Raunds Town FC  
Rushden & Higham United FC  
St Andrews FC  
Thrapston Town FC

**Reserve Division (18)**

Bourne Town Reserves  
Bugbrooke St Michaels Reserves  
Cogenhoe United Reserves  
Daventry Town Reserves  
Deeping Rangers Reserves  
Desborough Town Reserves  
Harborough Town Reserves  
Irchester United Reserves  
Newport Pagnell Reserves  
Northampton ON Chenecks Reserves  
Peterborough Northern Star Reserves  
Potton United Reserves  
Raunds Town Reserves  
Rothwell Corinthians Reserves  
St Andrews Reserves  
Wellingborough Town Reserves  
Wellingborough Whitworth Reserves  
Yaxley Reserves

**Red = Relegated Green = Promoted Blue = New Entry to the League Pink = Lateral Movement**



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### Presentation of Awards

Life Member	Michael Vincent and Brian Hill
Fair Play Award Premier/Division One	Potton United FC
Fair Play Award Reserve Team	Stewarts & Lloyds Reserves
Presentation of £100 Cheque for Fair Play Award	Potton United FC
Presentation of Hospitality Award - Marked by Referees	Harborough Town FC
Presentation of Hospitality Award - Marked by Clubs	Potton United FC
Presentation of £100 Cheque for Hospitality Award	Harborough Town FC
Presentation of Highest Aggregate of Goals Trophy	Yaxley FC
Presentation of Manager of the Year	Andy Furnell of Yaxley FC
Presentation of Administrator of the Year	Brian Porter of Daventry Town FC
Presentation of Eric Evans Award to Referee of Year	Jacob Lehane
Presentation of Respect Award	Potton United FC
Groundsman Award Season Winner	David Holmes of Deeping Rangers FC
Runners Up	Russell Yezek of Huntingdon Town FC
Jeremy Biggs Programme of the Year Award	Newport Pagnell Town FC
Highly Commended	Peterborough Northern Star FC Harborough Town FC ON Chenecks FC
April/May 2018 Premier Division Manager of the Month	Nick Andersen of Leicester Nirvana FC
April/May 2018 Goalscorer of the Month	Tendai Daire of Lutterworth Town FC
April/May 2018 Division One Manager of the Month	Joshua Dixon of Lutterworth Town FC
April/May 2018 Reserve Division Manager of the Month	Stephen Reeve of Bugbrooke St Michaels Reserves



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