



# INHOUSE

**THE BUILDBASE F.A. VASE 2020/21**

**OFFICIAL MATCHDAY PROGRAMME**

**PRICE £1.00**



**Vs Royal Wootton Bassett Town FC**  
**10<sup>th</sup> October 2020**



**FOR  
ALL**

CHARTER STANDARD

# BENS

## TAKEAWAY

Proud Sponsors of  
**Stonehouse Town F.C.**



New Street, Kings Stanley,  
GL10 3JU // 01453 828855

27 Long Street, Dursley,  
GL11 4HR // 01453 8547865

Old Market, Nailsworth,  
GL5 0DU // 01453 833151



***[www.BensTakeaway.co.uk](http://www.BensTakeaway.co.uk)***



## THE BUILDBASE FA VASE – 10<sup>th</sup> October 2020

### Stonehouse Town FC

**Colours:**

Black/White

**Manager:**

Chris Burns

**Assistants:**

Ian Logan-Giles

**Physio:**

Allan Gough



1. Will Pedrick
2. Bobby Humphreys
3. Gael Basana
4. Rich Thwaite
5. Elliott King
6. Ryan Thwaite
7. Tom Palmer
8. Alex Kibble ©
9. Nathan Buckland
10. Tim Williams
11. Chris Earle
12. Brad Bird
14. Dan Gittings
15. Macloud Moyo
16. Cameron Love

### Royal Wootton Bassett FC

**Colours:**

Blue

**Manager:**

Sam Collier

**Coach**

Matt Bulman

**Physio:**

Chris Chadwick



1. Harrison Ellis
2. Alex Dinsmore
3. George Ford
4. Sam Ockwell
5. Christopher Taylor
6. Kai Robinson
7. Iggy Ilott
8. Giorgio Wrona
9. Jack Stirland
10. Terence Bohane
11. Thomas Ouldrige
12. Dan Bailey
14. Mark Francis
15. Jack Baker
16. Alfie Presley

### **Match Officials:**

Owen Brimicombe, Shaun Enever and Gary Collier

**Welcome and 'Thank You' to today's match sponsor:**



Kings Stanley // 01453 828855

Dursley // 01453 547865

Nailsworth // 01453 833151

[www.BensTakeaway.co.uk](http://www.BensTakeaway.co.uk)

Website: <http://www.stonehousetownfc.co.uk>

E-mail: [info@stonehousetownfc.co.uk](mailto:info@stonehousetownfc.co.uk)



# REDROW

A BETTER WAY TO LIVE

Stunning new family homes  
available at Great Oldbury

**New 3 and 4 bedroom homes from £282,995**

Start making better memories at our  
Great Oldbury development:  
Stonehouse, Gloucestershire GL10 3SJ

---

Visit our website to find out more  
[redrow.co.uk/greatoldbury](https://redrow.co.uk/greatoldbury)

Talk to our friendly Sales Consultants

**01453 557 495**

Details correct at time of going to print.



## A Message from the Gaffer: Chris Burns

Good evening and a warm welcome to Oldends Lane to all associated with Royal Wootton Bassett Town for our long overdue return to The FA Vase (our last appearance was in 1979/80).

I want to personally thank everyone at the club who helped to make our first ever game under lights such a huge success. Admittedly, it was not the result we had hoped for and certainly deserved more from the game. I also want to wish a speedy recovery to Lee Keveren and Joe Williams who have both suffered bad injuries in our last two games. However with a few players returning today, we hope you have a good go against higher league opposition



## Hellenic League Division 1 West – League Table

		Overall						Home						Away						GD	PTS
		P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A				
1	Malvern Town	7	6	0	1	21	7	4	0	0	14	2	2	0	1	7	5	+14	18		
2	Hereford Lads	7	4	1	2	14	7	3	0	1	10	3	1	1	1	4	4	+7	13		
3	Clanfield 85	6	3	2	1	10	7	1	1	1	3	5	2	1	0	7	2	+3	11		
4	Malmesbury Victoria	5	3	1	1	14	7	2	1	1	10	6	1	0	0	4	1	+7	10		
5	Thornbury Town	5	2	3	0	9	4	1	2	0	5	3	1	1	0	4	1	+5	9		
6	Cheltenham Saracens	4	2	2	0	10	5	1	1	0	4	3	1	1	0	6	2	+5	8		
7	Newent Town	5	2	2	1	9	7	2	0	0	5	0	0	2	1	4	7	+2	8		
8	Bourton Rovers	4	2	1	1	9	8	0	1	1	1	5	2	0	0	8	3	+1	7		
9	Hereford Pegasus	5	2	1	2	6	8	1	1	0	3	1	1	0	2	3	7	-2	7		
10	Wellington	6	2	0	4	13	14	1	0	2	7	7	1	0	2	6	7	-1	6		
11	Tytherington Rocks	6	2	0	4	10	14	1	0	2	6	9	1	0	2	4	5	-4	6		
12	Stonehouse Town	5	1	0	4	5	15	1	0	1	5	5	0	0	3	0	10	-10	3		
13	Moreton Rangers	6	0	3	3	5	16	0	2	0	2	2	0	1	3	3	14	-11	3		
14	Shortwood United	4	0	1	3	3	9	0	0	1	1	3	0	1	2	2	6	-6	1		
15	Cirencester Town Development	5	0	1	4	7	17	0	0	3	4	11	0	1	1	3	6	-10	1		

Information correct as of 07.10.2020



## Club Officials Season 2020/21

Founded 1898

Stonehouse Town Football Club

Magpies Stadium

Oldends Lane, Stonehouse

Gloucestershire, GL10 2DG

<b>Life President:</b>	Jim Blythe
<b>Chairman:</b>	Nigel Sanders
<b>Vice-Chairman:</b>	Mark Painter
<b>Club Secretary:</b>	Mike Smith
<b>Treasurer:</b>	Steve Richards
<b>Commercial Manager:</b>	Kevin Parsons
<b>Website Editor:</b>	Ian Neville
<b>Matchday Programme:</b>	Ian Neville
<b>Youth Secretary:</b>	Richard Brady
<b>First Team Manager:</b>	Chris Burns
<b>Second Team Managers:</b>	Natty Buckland/ Ben Carman
<b>Third Team Managers:</b>	Kelvin Anderton/ Kirstain Warren
<b>Fourth Team Manager:</b>	Martyn Lowe
<b>Head Groundsman:</b>	Andy Fletcher
<b>Gatekeeper:</b>	Terry Brough
<b>Welfare Officer:</b>	Mark Painter



## Main Club Sponsor



Kings Stanley // 01453 828855

Dursley // 01453 547865

Nailsworth // 01453 833151

[www.BensTakeaway.co.uk](http://www.BensTakeaway.co.uk)

Website: <http://www.stonehousetownfc.co.uk>

E-mail: [info@stonehousetownfc.co.uk](mailto:info@stonehousetownfc.co.uk)

**uhlsport® Official Match Ball Supplier  
to the Hellenic League**



**[www.uhlsport.com](http://www.uhlsport.com)**



## Stonehouse Town FC - Club History



Stonehouse Town Football Club, popularly known as the 'Magpies' because of their Black and White striped strip, starts at the Youth level, from 4 years old all the way through to under 16s, as well as girls' age groups at u12s, 14s & 16 and Adults. Notwithstanding the youth section, the highly popular senior part of the club runs a 1st team in the Hellenic League Division 1 West, plus three teams across the Gloucestershire Northern Senior League and Stroud Leagues, whilst not forgetting the Veterans side playing monthly and featuring a number of Magpies' stalwarts.

Founded in 1898, the Magpies play at the stadium at Oldends Lane, Stonehouse, which was opened by legendary England International Billy Wright on 25th August 1949 in a friendly against Cheltenham Town, and features the Mike Smith Stand, dedicated to our long-serving Secretary Mike 'Spike' Smith.

During the Club's heydays in the 1950s and 1960s, the Club regularly hosted attendances of over 1,000 spectators, and the record attendance for the Ground is 5,500 for a game against Gloucester City on 29th September 1951 in the FA Cup 2nd Qualifying Round.

The Club's record Receipts for a single game was at the same game, when we received £272/8s/9d, worth £7854 in today's money, although 6000 attended the 1962 Stonehouse Invitation XI v the All Stars Showbiz XI, which featured a range of (then!) huge celebrities such as Jimmy Young and Pete Murray!

We were the first ever winners of the Gloucestershire County League in 1968/9 season, but it took almost 30 years to re-enter the League after relegation in the early 80s. Promotion in 2014/5 was achieved via the Runners Up slot in Gloucestershire Northern Senior League Division 1, under Haydn Murray's managementship, whereupon we were looking forward to cementing our place back in the County League, or even

beyond, Season 2014/5 was also when we won a cup double via the Senior Amateur County Cup (1st time since 1976) and the Premier Section of Stroud Charity Cup, as well as reaching the Reg Davis Cup Final, where we lost 3-2 to Newent Town FC. Season 2015/6 saw a mid-season change of manager to Alex Lumsden, but it sadly saw us only finish 3rd in the League, insufficient to earn promotion out of the League, and Ian Soule took over as Manager to try to push the Club further, whilst retaining a strong core of the regular players for a number of years.

Season 2018/19 saw us finish in 3rd place once again in the County League, but that was enough to secure much-coveted promotion to the Hellenic League Div. 1 West for the first time. After a null and void season in 2019/20, the club appointed hugely experienced Chris Burns as 1st Team Manager, alongside Ian Logon-Giles as assistant and Allan Gough as 1st Team Physio/Assistant.



Stonehouse History Group  
Billy Wright at stonehouse 1949-1950



## Stonehouse Town F.C. Player Profiles



**Will Pedrick** Goal Keeper  
Joined the Magpies at age 14 and has been the No.1 ever since, loud and a great shot stopper.



**Ryan Thwaite** Defence  
Now in his second season with the Magpies, exceptional player having spent many years at Southern League level.



**Dan Stephens** Defence  
Hugely experience defender, great tackler and header from set pieces.



**Joe Williams** Defence  
Quickly adapting to this level, quick and tenacious defender with an eye for a tackle.



**Bobby Humphreys** Defence  
STFC youth product and continues to be a reliable, strong quick defender.



**Elliott King** Defence  
Another convert to centre half, great touch and strong passer of the ball.



**Lee Keveren** Defence  
'Rodney' has adapted his game well to become first choice CB, great tackler and reads the game well.



**Cameron Love** Defence  
Previous clubs include Cadbury Heath and Rockleaze, quick, strong defender who will only get better when returning to full fitness.



**Tim Williams** Midfield  
Experienced midfielder with a quick turn of pace and can spot a pass.



**Tom Palmer** Midfield  
Wand of a left peg, with excellent vision that can cause the opposition real problems.



**Alex Kibble** Midfield  
1st Team skipper who has has tested himself at a higher level and is committed to the club.



**Chris Earle** Midfield  
Lightning quick, a great outlet and can cause real problems for any defence.



**Brad Bird** Midfield  
Hugely adaptable with an incredible engine and can cause defenses a real problem.



**Dan Gittings**  
Strong, energetic player with a great first touch who works hard on and off the ball.



**James Ratcliffe** Forward  
'Jammer' is strong, quick and highly unpredictable, looking forward to seeing the best of him this season.



**Lloyd Gardiner** Forward  
Very skilful and hard working, can play anywhere across the front three.



**Dan Martin** Forward  
Former Forest Green player, quick, strong and immensely talented when fit and available



**Allan Gough** Asst. Manager  
Charismatic and highly experienced ex-Cheltenham Town physio who is great to have around the dressing room.



**Chris Burns** Manager  
Hugely experienced ex-professional footballer who took the helm in July 2020.

# Bluefin Sport



## myClubinsurance

### For amateur and semi-professional sports clubs

To make sure you are appropriately covered, our myClubinsurance policy can be built around your particular needs. Whether you require stand-alone liability cover or full buildings and contents protection, the policy can be adapted to suit.



LIABILITIES



BUILDINGS  
AND STADIA



CONTENTS



BUSINESS  
INTERRUPTION



FIXED  
FLOODLIGHTS



SCOREBOARDS  
AND SIGHTSCREENS



FIXED  
GOALS/POSTS



PLAYING SURFACES  
(NATURAL / ARTIFICIAL)

## 0345 872 5060

[myclub@bluefinsport.co.uk](mailto:myclub@bluefinsport.co.uk) | [bluefinsport.co.uk/myclub](http://bluefinsport.co.uk/myclub)

0923-0918

Bluefin Sport is a trading name of Marsh Ltd. Marsh Ltd is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. Registered in England and Wales Number: 1507274. Registered Office: 1 Tower Place West, Tower Place, London EC3R 5EU.

 **MARSH**



## Royal Wootton Bassett Town F.C. - Club History

Situated six miles from Swindon, Royal Wootton Bassett Town Football Club was first established in 1882, making the club one of the oldest in Wiltshire. The club's early achievements came in the Wiltshire Senior Cup, making the final in both 1902-3 and 1903-4, although losing both. The club folded for a period pre-World War 1 before re-forming in the Calne & District League when it began playing at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground which had been donated by a local dignitary for sporting activities within the town and opened in 1930.

Early successes included winning the Calne & District League in the 1930-31 Season, having finished runners-up the previous season, and then again in 1934-35. Following a move up to the Wiltshire League Division 2 promotion was earned again the following season and the team then remained in the top division in the county until the outbreak of war. After the war Wootton Bassett Town F.C. recommenced in the County League with limited success until 1958-59 when they won their first Wiltshire League title. In 1987-88 the Wiltshire League Division 1 title was won, elevating the club into the Hellenic League, where they have remained ever since. The club finally won the Wiltshire Senior Cup in 1998-99 and repeated this achievement in 2000-01. The club have had three spells in the Hellenic Premier and gained promotion back in 2012-13.

Since the onset of the new millennium the club has expanded significantly, with the establishment of a thriving Youth Section, a very successful Ladies Section and a Veteran's Section. The club now operates 30 teams from under 7s upwards. All now play their games at the relocated Gerard Buxton Sports Ground, which opened in the summer of 2015. This growth led to the club being awarded Charter Standard Development Club status by the Football Association in 2008 before this was upgraded to Community Club status a year later. Wootton Bassett Town FC was the first club in Wiltshire to achieve this. International ties have also been established with Dutch amateur side FC 's-Gravenzande who sides from the club's Youth Section visit each year.

Season 2020-21 sees Sam Collier in charge of the First Team for his third full season having taken over part way through Season 2017-18 and he will be assisted by Matt Bulman. In addition, the coaching staff at the club has been greatly enhanced with the addition of former Swindon Town player Tom Jones as the First Team coach. The more professional approach to training and preparation that Tom brings to the club means this season Royal Wootton Bassett Town will be aiming to improve greatly on last season's showing and hopefully improve on Season 2018-19's highest ever finish of 10th place in the UHlsport Hellenic League Premier Division, as well as going a long way in the various cup competitions.

MATHER & MURRAY  
FINANCIAL

[www.matherandmurray.co.uk](http://www.matherandmurray.co.uk)

Website: <http://www.stonehousetownfc.co.uk>

E-mail: [info@stonehousetownfc.co.uk](mailto:info@stonehousetownfc.co.uk)



## Royal Wootton Bassett Town F.C Player Profiles



**Harrison Ellis** Goal Keeper  
Goalkeeper who joins Royal Wootton Bassett Town from Fairford for whom he made 24 appearances last season having previously been with Carterton and Shrivenham.



**Sam Ockwell** Defence  
Captain of Shrivenham for the past two seasons, returns for his third spell with the club and offers composure on the ball as well as a robust presence at centre half.



**Kyle Lapham** Defence  
Experienced defender who made over 300 appearances for Swindon Supermarine having started at Swindon Town as a youngster. Also, previously with Cirencester Town and Dandenong Thunder (Australia).



**Adam Corcoran** Defence  
Imposing defender with the ability to play either at centre half or full back who last season went past the 200 appearances for the club landmark.



**George Ford** Defence  
A product of the club's Youth Section who made a big impact in the Dev side earning him his First Team call-up last season. A member of Bassett's 2018-19 County Cup winning U16 side.



**Matt Berry-Hargreaves** Defence  
A graduate of the Hungerford Town Academy Matt who was picked-up by Oxford United. After being released at the end of the 18-19 season he joined Hungerford Town from whom he is on loan.



**Carl Evans** Defence  
Experienced defender who plays for the RAF Senior Representative side, a powerful centre-back or striker now in his fourth season with the club.



**Jon Beeden** Defence  
Solid defender who re-joined the club last season having spent recent seasons with Chippenham Town in the National League South and Thatcham Town in the Southern League.



**Daniel Bailey** Defence  
A graduate of the Hungerford Town Academy who is on loan from his hometown club looking to get some Step 5 experience and more playing time with a view to playing in the National League South.



**Caine Bradbury** Midfield  
Talented midfield player who is very assured on the ball who joined from Chippenham Park and is now in his second season with Bassett. Last season's Supporters Player of the Year.



**Iggy Illott** Midfield  
Hard working midfield player who re-joins the club having first played for us back in 2018-19 when he made 21 appearances. Previously with Letcombe and Thatcham Town.



**Giorgio Wrona** Midfield  
Last season's captain who has now made 118 appearances for the club ahead of the new season. Experienced at this level as previously with Swindon Supermarine, North Leigh, Larkhall and Thatcham Town.



**Chris Taylor** Midfield  
Classy midfielder who spent the majority of his career with Swindon Supermarine but has also featured for Cirencester Town, Highworth Town and also made four substitute appearances for Swindon Town at the start of his career.



**Jack Baker** Forward  
Another promising youngster who featured for Chippenham Town Academy and Devizes Town in the Western League last season, making 12 appearances.



**Kai Robinson** Forward  
Hard working tenacious centre midfield player previously with Wantage Town who returned to Bassett part-way through last season after a long absence due to injury.



**Mark Francis** Forward  
Joined the club last season from Didcot Town and previously with Wantage Town, Salisbury and Evesham United. A hard-working striker with a natural eye for goal.



**Charlie McCuish** Forward  
Another player from the club's successful Youth Section. Last season's top scorer in the Development Team with 11 goals.



**Jack Stirland** Forward  
Forward who was part of the Hungerford Town squad when gaining promotion to the National League South. Arrives having studied at University of Leeds where he was football captain.



**TJ Bohane** Forward  
Prolific goal scorer who re-joined Royal Wootton Bassett Town at the back end of last season from Highworth Town. Our top scorer back in Season 2018-19 with 20 goals.



**Brad Pagliaroli** Forward  
After a frustrating 2019-20 due to injury and suspension skilful forward returns for a third season at the Gerard Buxton Sports Ground. Popular player who was Players' and Supporters' Player of the Year in 2018-19.

# Who will you be today?



## Show some Respect

Thousands of referees drop out of the game every season due to abuse.

The uhlisport Hellenic League operate a **ZERO TOLERANCE** policy toward Inappropriate Language & Behaviour

[TheFA.com/Respect](http://TheFA.com/Respect)

# Respect





# THE NON-LEAGUE PAPER

ESSENTIAL READING FOR FOLLOWERS OF THE NATIONAL GAME

Buy it every Sunday from your local newsagent

Or Subscribe on at [www.thenonleaguefootballpaper.com](http://www.thenonleaguefootballpaper.com)

Isthmian League chairman Nick Robinson: We couldn't please everyone

## ***Isthmian League chairman Nick Robinson***

**As administrators, we are quite used to people at this time of year saying “have a good summer...” but those in the know realise this is our busiest time of year.**

I made the mistake some time ago of saying I didn't think that anything new could come up which could trouble me as chairman. How wrong could I be!

In the last couple of years I've had one club go into liquidation [[Thamesmead Town](#)], a club trying to sign a player who was the subject of a Banning Order and a warning from The FA that there were “suspicious betting patterns” about a match. No-one, however, could have possibly foreseen Covid-19.

We know what happened, all football was suspended and Steps 3-7 saw their seasons terminated and records expunged. This was ratified by The FA Council but then challenged by a number of clubs, resulting in an arbitration under FA Rule K. The award of the tribunal was issued this week. The leagues have not been able to comment until now because of the threat of arbitration but we now know that the challenge by one club, initially supported by others, [has failed in its entirety](#). It is worth stating what the leagues had to do at that time.

Let us remember that, in the middle of March, events were happening so quickly we did not know which way to turn.

One weekend, the Isthmian League had a full fixture list but clubs were advised not to have the “Respect” handshake. Our last matches were played on March 11 with all matches for the weekend of March 14 later cancelled. Matters changed not just every day but literally by the hour. Football was suspended from March 21 and no matches have been played since.

It was about that time we all learned about Zoom. The only Zoom I had known previously was a Lyons iced lolly back in the day! Now suddenly we were having video conferences once or twice a day.

The FA Council members for leagues at Steps 1-4 were asked to consult their boards about ending the season. We had a sub-committee of the Alliance, a meeting with the Leagues Committee, a full meeting of the Alliance and a meeting of FA Council to make decisions.

Whether we made the right decision or not is for others to decide but what is clear is that very eminent lawyers have decided that the process we adopted was the right one and we did not act outside of our power or, in Latin, ultra vires, which would have been very serious had it been proved against us.

The Isthmian League office was inundated with calls enquiring what was going to happen. Very simply, we did not know and, quite rightly, that was not good enough for our clubs. They needed guidance, direction and clarity.



## The Non-League Paper Column Continued...

My board of directors met by video conference on a Saturday morning and we discussed matters long and hard. I had eight club representatives present as well as the chief executive and the president. Around the table were literally hundreds of years of experience at this level. We looked at the options and, whilst not unanimous, decided by a hefty majority that the records of all clubs should be expunged and the phrase “null and void” came into common parlance. There is a league rule which provides that a club which “for any reason ceases to operate at any time during the playing season” may have its playing record expunged. This seems to have been forgotten in all the furore but we followed our rule. This decision was also made by the Southern and the Northern Premier Leagues, by the Step 5 and 6 leagues, the FA Committees and, ultimately, the FA Council. A very small minority of clubs, most of whom were adversely affected by the decision, took issue. Solicitors wrote accusatory letters to me and the other chairmen and quoted from a letter which I had sent out in good faith to the Isthmian clubs to keep them informed. The fact that all three grounds of opposition have been fairly and squarely rejected is paramount to those running football. The tribunal rejected the various ways in which South Shields had sought to impugn the lawfulness of the FA Council decision and the various amendments of regulations and rules which had been proposed in order to give effect to it. It is stated that the FA reasonably decided that there was no single solution for all of them – you never please all the people all the time – and that it is impossible not to feel sympathy for South Shields and the like. I also feel sympathy for Jersey Bulls and for Vauxhall Motors who had gone one further than South Shields and had won their divisions. The question of costs has still to be considered. The amount spent by both sides would have funded a number of clubs in National League South for many weeks! What a shame the money had to be spent on lawyers rather than being spent to ensure success next season or even helping less fortunate teams survive the current problems. Moving forward, we have to decide what is going to happen. We do not yet know the fate of Bury FC but it seems likely that there will be at least one vacancy. How do we fill that? Is it too difficult and do we have to leave a vacancy somewhere? I hope not. I hope that if there is an opportunity for a club to ascend by one level that we are as strong as we were in March and not be afraid of criticism. Yes, whatever we decide will upset someone but let us remember that our clubs want guidance, direction and clarity. Whether or not we have a full complement of clubs, we need season 2020-2021 to start as soon as possible. Of course, we can not say for certain. Our clubs want six to eight weeks to prepare and it is abundantly clear that, in our world, there is no place for league matches to be played behind closed doors. Streaming is not an adequate replacement for the volunteers, the supporters and the groundhoppers and all of us who go to make up this wonderful National League System we have. Above everything we have to gain the confidence of every person involved that they will be safe going to football otherwise they may not take the risk. Let me go back to where I started, I sincerely hope that there is nothing else new that could happen to cause the league such a headache! I hope everyone has a good summer.

# SCORE A 10% DISCOUNT AT BUILDBASE\*



Just present this advert in branch or use promo code **BMKCX1000** online at [buildbase.co.uk](http://buildbase.co.uk)

For all your building materials, timber and DIY needs.



**10%  
OFF\***

**PROUD TO BE  
ON YOUR SIDE**



## How The F.A. Pyramid System Works

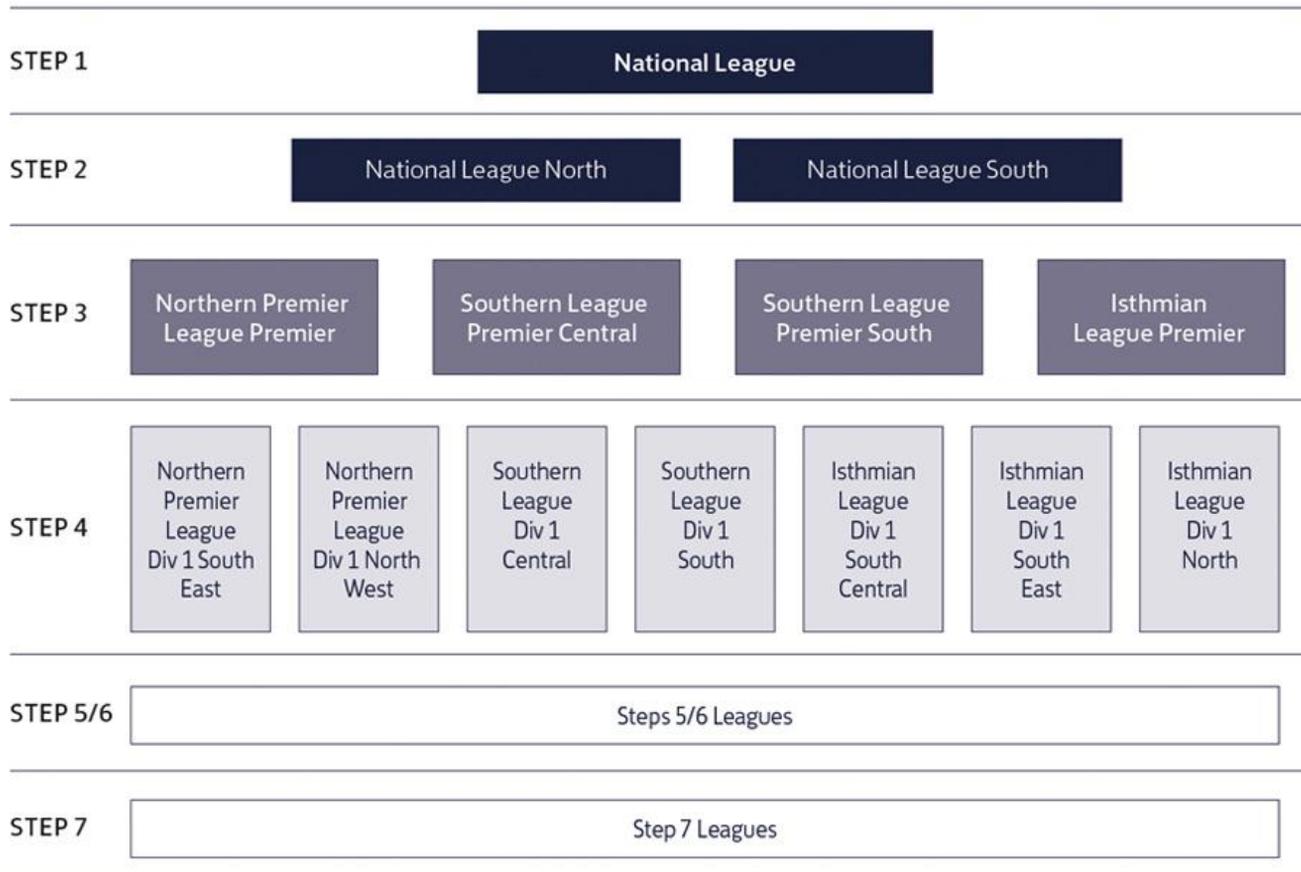
Level 1 in the pyramid, the top division of English football, is run by the Premier League (which gives its name to the competition in that division), the winners of which are regarded as the champions of England. Levels 2-4 are run by the English Football League. Together, these 4 divisions make up what is known as "league football".

The leagues below level 4 are classed as 'Non-League', meaning they are outside the English Football League. The leagues at levels 5-11 (Step 1-7), comprise the National League System (NLS), and come under the direct jurisdiction of the Football Association. The top level (level 5) of the NLS is known as "step 1" by the FA, the next (level 6) as step 2", and so on.

## The National League System

For the 2020/21 season, each Step shall have the following maximum number of Clubs: Step 1 – 24, Step 2 – 44, Step 3 – 88, Step 4 – 140, Step 5 – 280, Step 6 – 400. Clubs will be placed in the most geographically appropriate division. At Step 7 the maximum number of Clubs in each division shall be determined by the Committee taking into account all relevant factors.

From the 2021/22 season onwards, each Step shall have the following maximum number of Clubs: Step 1 – 24, Step 2 – 48, Step 3 – 88, Step 4 – 160, Step 5 – 320, Step 6 – 340.





## 1<sup>st</sup> Team Fixtures & Results

Day	Date	Comp	Opponents	H/A	Att.	Result					
<b>September</b>											
Sat	12/09	HL1W	Hereford Lads Clubs	A	78	1-0 (L)	Pedrick	Humphreys	Basana	King	Keveren
Sat	19/09	HL1W	Malvern Town	A	184	5-0 (L)	Pedrick	Love	Ry.Thwaite	King	Keveren
Sat	26/09	HL1W	<b>Moreton Rangers</b>	H	60	3-2 (W)	Pedrick	Humphreys	Basana	King	Keveren
<b>October</b>											
Sat	03/10	HL1W	Newent Town	A	70	4-0 (L)	Pedrick	Love	Basana	King	Keveren
Tues	06/10	HL1W	<b>Hereford Pegasus</b>	H	175	2-3 (L)	Pedrick	Bird	Basana	King	Ry.Thwaite
Sat	10/10	FAV	<b>Royal Wootton Bassett Town</b>	H							
Tues	13/10	BSSC	<b>Bishops Cleeve</b>	H							
Sat	17/10	HL1W	Shortwood United	A							
Tues	20/10	HL1W	<b>Malmesbury Victoria</b>	H							
Tues	27/10	FLC	Cheltenham Saracens	A							
Sat	31/10	HL1W	Tytherington Rocks	A							
<b>November</b>											
Tues	03/11	HL1W	<b>Thornbury Town</b>	H							
Sat	07/11	HL1W	<b>Wellington</b>	H							
Sat	14/11	HL1W	Bourton Rovers	A							
Sat	21/11	HL1W	<b>Cheltenham Saracens</b>	H							
Sat	28/11	HL1W	Cirencester Town Development	A							
<b>December</b>											
Sat	05/12	HL1W	<b>Clanfield 85</b>	H							
Sat	12/12	HL1W	<b>Hereford Lads Club</b>	H							
Sat	19/12	HL1W	Malmesbury Victoria	A							
<b>January</b>											
Sat	02/01	HL1W	Moreton Rangers	A							
Sat	09/01	HL1W	<b>Newent Town</b>	H							
Sat	16/01	HL1W	Hereford Pegasus	A							
Sat	23/01	HL1W	<b>Shortwood United</b>	H							
<b>February</b>											
Sat	06/02	HL1W	Thornbury Town	A							
Sat	13/02	HL1W	<b>Tytherington Rocks</b>	H							
Sat	20/02	HL1W	Wellington	A							
Sat	27/02	HL1W	<b>Bourton Rovers</b>	H							
<b>March</b>											
Sat	06/03	HL1W	Cheltenham Saracens	A							
Sat	13/03	HL1W	<b>Cirencester Town Development</b>	H							
Sat	20/03	HL1W	Clanfield 85	A							
Sat	27/03	HL1W	<b>Malvern Town</b>	H							

HL1W – Hellenic League Div 1 West, FAV – FA Vase, BSSC – Challenge Cup, BLFC – Floodlit Cup



# COVID-19: UPDATED GUIDANCE ON INDOOR AND OUTDOOR GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL

**FOR CLUBS, PLAYERS, COACHES, CLUB OFFICIALS, CLUB WELFARE OFFICERS, MATCH OFFICIALS AND FACILITY PROVIDERS – Published: 23 September 2020**

This document outlines actions to be taken before, during and after all outdoor competitive grassroots football activities **here** and the more detailed guidance document produced by The FA, available **here**. Importantly, following the advice, indoor football, including futsal, can be played.

In outdoor competitive training and matches, physical contact is now allowed, but for all other activity (e.g. warm-ups). Should Government guidance change in response to the current Covid-19 Alert Level, The FA guidance will be updated.

## BEFORE ACTIVITY

- Everyone should self-assess for **Covid-19 symptoms** before every training session or match. If you are symptomatic or living in a household with possible or actual Covid-19 infection you must not participate or attend. You should stay home and follow the latest **Government guidance**.
- Clubs/facility providers should appoint a Covid-19 officer and conduct a thorough general risk assessment, as well as a safeguarding **risk assessment** before re-opening or re-starting competitive activity. They **must** also follow current **'NHS Test and Trace'** protocols, such as keeping an attendance register.
- Personal hygiene measures should be carried out by everyone and hand sanitisers brought and used at the training/match venue.
- All participants must follow Government advice on **face coverings**.
- The sharing of kit and equipment should be avoided, but where equipment is shared, it must be cleaned before use by another person.
- Goal posts and corner poles should be wiped down before matches, after matches and at half time.
- Follow Government guidance for travel, including minimising use of public transport.
- Active participants should arrive changed and ready to take part.
- Youth team coaches should re-acquaint themselves with all safeguarding policies and procedures.
- Meet-up times should be adjusted to avoid time spent congregating at a venue.
- Use of clubhouses, hospitality facilities, changing rooms and toilets must adhere to **Government guidance**.

Anyone who is deemed vulnerable in respect of Covid-19 is reminded to follow the Government's guidance, only returning to football when it's right for them to do so.

## DURING TRAINING

- Competitive training should take place in groups.
- Indoor play can continue for a maximum of 3 v 3 non-competitive indoor activities for disabled people can continue to play.
- Competitive matches can continue to play a session, and in any session.
- The sharing of kit and drinks or refreshments.
- When the ball goes out of play, it should be retrieved using the throw-in.
- Participants must not sit on the ground together, as detailed in the guidance.
- Set plays: players are allowed to touch the ball, but modifications apply to set pieces, as detailed more in The FA's match guidance.
- Youth football coaches should observe during match play.
- Observing rigorous training.
- Spectator groups should be avoided, as detailed in **Government guidance**.
- Match fee payments.
- Small-sided football is encouraged, but large-sided football is discouraged from taking place.

## DISCLAIMER:

This guidance is for general information only and does not constitute legal advice, nor is it a replacement for such, nor does it replace any Government or PHE advice; nor does it provide any specific commentary or advice on health-related issues. Affected organisations should therefore ensure that they seek independent advice from medical practitioners, or healthcare providers, prior to implementing any re-opening plan, as required. Independent legal advice

**THANK YOU! NOW LET'S GET OUR GRASSROOTS FOOTBALL BACK ON TRACK!**

**FOLLOWING THE UK GOVERNMENT'S ANNOUNCEMENT ON 22 SEPTEMBER, ALL COVID-SECURE GUIDELINES ARE NOW LEGAL OBLIGATIONS, WITH WHICH EVERYONE MUST ADHERE. FAILURE TO DO SO WILL RESULT IN FINES AS THE PRIME MINISTER SET OUT IN HIS SPEECH TO THE HOUSE OF COMMONS, A TRANSCRIPT OF WHICH YOU CAN READ [HERE](#).**



## LS, LEAGUE OFFICIALS, VOLUNTEERS, PARENTS/CARERS SPECTATORS AND FOOTBALL

activity in England. It should be read in conjunction with the latest UK Government Covid-19 guidance available on 22 September the 'rule of six' has been extended to all indoor team sports. This means no

(-ups/cool-downs) the Government guidance on social distancing should be observed, read [here](#).  
dated accordingly.

### URING AND MATCH PLAY

ing can take place for all participants, in an outdoor setting provided this  
ps of no more than 30 (including coaches).

ntinue to take place, provided groups of more than six do not mix (i.e. a  
matches can be played indoors). If groups of six are likely to mix, these  
ust not go ahead. There are exemptions for organised indoor team sports  
and also for children (under-18s). Therefore, disabled people and children  
u indoor sport without restrictions on numbers.

in play is permitted, with social distancing in place before and after the  
breaks in play.

nd equipment should be avoided and participants should bring their own  
ents, in named containers.

s out of play, it should not be retrieved by non-participants and should be  
feet rather than the hands where possible.

not spit and should avoid shouting or raising their voices when facing each  
n The FA Covid-19 Code of Behaviour.

re encouraged to avoid unnecessarily long set-up or close marking. Other  
y to specific situations, such as goal celebrations being discouraged. Read  
ore detailed guidance [here](#).

ches are encouraged to limit persistent close proximity of participants  
and training.

hygiene standards, injuries can be treated. See full guidance [here](#).

ould be limited to six people per group and spread out in line with wider  
[ance](#). These six-person groups must be preserved - no mingling.

ts should be cashless – consider using [The FA Matchday App](#).

ll should include more regular hygiene breaks in activity and players  
ouching or tackling against boards.

### AFTER ACTIVITY

- Hands should be washed at the earliest opportunity and personal equipment should be wiped down with a disinfectant.
- Unless absolutely necessary, participants should take their kit home and wash it themselves, or by family members. Post-activity showers should be taken at home.
- Everyone must continue to maintain **social distancing** including in any facilities where groups of people congregate (e.g. clubhouses).
- Everyone should leave following the traffic-flow system the club or facility provider has put place.
- Anyone who becomes infected after training/matches should report this to the **NHS Test and Trace system**.
- Hospitality venues, such as clubhouse bars, must close at 10pm latest.

should be sought, as required and depending on your, or relevant circumstances. While efforts have been taken to ensure the accuracy of this information at the time of publication, the reader is reminded to check the Government website to obtain the most up-to-date information regarding social distancing and any other Government measures.

**REAT GAME GOING AGAIN – SAFELY.**



## Magpies Sponsorship Opportunities – Season 2020/21

At Stonehouse Town Football Club, we believe that we are not just a football club but see ourselves as key contributors towards our local community. We have made huge strides over the last few years in cementing ourselves as a community-based club, providing access to football of all sexes, ages and abilities. Moreover, we continue to raise all our own funds with no significant input from external agencies, which allows the club to keep in touch with local fundraising and sponsorship.

In view of our desire to promote the football club up the Non-League Pyramid, we are very keen to forge links with local businesses as a winning example of shared involvement in the community of Stonehouse. There are several ways that we can build relationships to strengthen ties, particularly by acquiring sponsors for our teams, our ground and our equipment.

**Your sponsorship includes** - a namecheck in all relevant Club communications on our Facebook, Twitter and social media pages. It also includes an entry into our List of Sponsors on view daily at our home ground on Oldends Lane, Stonehouse.

**Corporate Social Responsibility** - You can use Stonehouse Town Football Club as a specific example in your business advertising and publicity, as positive proof of your commitment to and investment into the local Stonehouse and Gloucestershire community.

**We have a range of sponsorship packages that may interest you and your company:**

**1. Second Team Sponsor - £750**

Front of Second Team shirts, plus two Advertising Boards including mentions in match reports and newspaper reports

**2. Advertising Board - £250**

We can arrange for a Sponsorship Board to be manufactured and drawn up using your Company name and logo, which will feature as a perimeter advertising board at our Oldends Lane ground. Annual renewal of the advertising board is then discounted down to only £150

**3. Matchday Programme - £150**

Full page advert in every 1<sup>st</sup> Team Home game, including all cup competitions. All match day programmes will be available on the club website

**4. 1<sup>st</sup> Team Player Sponsorship - £80**

Sponsoring a player is a great way for your company's name to be included in our matchday programme, social media channels PLUS a complimentary season tickets including all 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Team home fixtures (excluding FA Cup and Vase)

**5. Matchday Sponsor - £50**

Includes your name in our Matchday Programme, Sponsor of the match ball, plus free entry inc. Programme, Teas & Coffees for 4 people

***Please feel free to discuss any of the above further with Tim or Kevin on [commercial@stonehousetownfc.co.uk](mailto:commercial@stonehousetownfc.co.uk)***



Everyone at STFC would like to say a special  
 'Thank You' to our incredible sponsors!

**BENS**  
 TAKEAWAY

Kings Stanley // 01453 828855

Dursley // 01453 547865

Nailsworth // 01453 833151

[www.BensTakeaway.co.uk](http://www.BensTakeaway.co.uk)

**A P FLETCHER**

**GENERAL BUILDER**

Tel: 01453 753 720 Mob: 07932 084 078

Email: [the\\_fletchers@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:the_fletchers@tiscali.co.uk)



**ELECTRICAL SERVICES**

[www.tmres.co.uk](http://www.tmres.co.uk)

**ZAPKAM<sup>®</sup>**

**WE KNOW ABOUT SPORT**

**JAY BEE**  
 PLANT SALES LTD

T: 01453 822602

M: 07799793797

W: [www.jaybeeplant.co.uk](http://www.jaybeeplant.co.uk)



OUR REPUTATION IS **YOUR** GUARANTEE

Website: <http://www.stonehousetownfc.co.uk>

E-mail: [info@stonehousetownfc.co.uk](mailto:info@stonehousetownfc.co.uk)

OLDENDS LANE, STONEHOUSE, GL10 2DG

[WWW.STONEHOUSETOWNFC.CO.UK](http://WWW.STONEHOUSETOWNFC.CO.UK)

Email: [info@stonehousetownfc.co.uk](mailto:info@stonehousetownfc.co.uk)

@stonehouse\_town



/stonehousetown



MAIN CLUB SPONSOR

**BENS**  
TAKEAWAY

Kings Stanley // 01453 828855

Dursley // 01453 547865

Nailsworth // 01453 833151

[www.BensTakeaway.co.uk](http://www.BensTakeaway.co.uk)