

FPCA Football Club – Fundraising Policy

1. Purpose

FPCA Football Club is committed to providing free, inclusive, and high-quality grassroots football for children and young people in North Lincolnshire and South Yorkshire.

To maintain our no-fees model and ensure long-term success, fundraising is a vital part of how we operate, develop, and grow as a club.

2. Why Fundraising Matters

Unlike traditional clubs, FPCA Football Club does not charge player registration or subs. Instead, we rely on fundraising and – Team kits and training wear

- Equipment and first aid
- Pitch hire and league fees
- Public liability and player insurance
- Safeguarding training and DBS checks
- Presentation events and community activities
- Future goals, including building our own facilities

Without regular fundraising, we would not be able to offer free football or grow the club sustainably.

3. Fundraising Committee

A dedicated Fundraising Committee will operate under the Club Committee. It will:

- Plan and coordinate club-wide fundraising events and campaigns
- Support each team in setting and achieving their fundraising targets
- Ensure fundraising is transparent, fair, and documented
- Work with sponsors and local businesses to develop partnerships
- Manage club raffles, scratch cards, fun days, raffles, and online campaigns
- Propose new initiatives to help secure external funding and grants

Each team is encouraged to have a Team Fundraising Lead, who will work with the Fundraising Committee.

4. Team Fundraising Expectations

All teams are expected to take part in regular fundraising, including but not limited to:

- 3 main fundraising events per season (or monthly low-key campaigns)
- Participation in club-wide fundraising events
- Sourcing player sponsorships (£40 or £100 per season)
- Supporting or suggesting creative ideas for family and community engagement

5. Sponsorship and Business Support

FPCA Football Club welcomes support from local businesses through:

- Team Sponsorship (2-season agreement)
- Player Sponsorship (seasonal support)
- Event Sponsorship (tournament days, presentation evenings)
- In-kind donations or raffle prize contributions

Sponsors will be acknowledged through kit branding, social media, website mentions, and community outreach.

6. Use of Funds

All money raised will be:

- Collected and accounted for by the club treasurer
- Used only for club-approved purposes and development goals
- Reviewed by the club committee and reported at AGM or fundraising meetings

Transparency is key. Teams and parents will be kept informed of how fundraising benefits the club and their children.

7. Community Approach

We believe fundraising can be fun, empowering, and community-building.

It's not about pressure—it's about everyone doing a little, together.

Whether you help run a bake sale, sell scratch cards, or share a social post—you are helping FPCA thrive.

8. Contact & Involvement

If you'd like to be involved in the fundraising committee or help at a team level, please speak to your Team Coach or contact secretary@fpcafootballclub.co.uk

Together, we grow the club—for every player, every team, every season.