



TANKERTON FC

ANNUAL REPORT

2019-2020



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1. Introduction by Chair of Trustees

Well what a strange season that turned out to be while it lasted, and in some divisions and leagues we nearly made it to the end!! But wow up to lock down and the end of Football for the season it was another very good year across the age groups at the club, and I know Dave will come on to that in a moment.

I had said last year how wonderful it was to see the diversity at the club and how that becomes more embracing year on year. We have boys, girls, men's, and women's teams and our disability team. We have coaches from a myriad of different backgrounds and players from all around the district, ranging in age from 5/6 to the too old to mention in the Vets.

I feel though the club still has the opportunity to do more on this front and I would hope in the future to see more disability teams and perhaps pretty soon a walking football team.

Inclusion also a key word at Tankerton we are a club that is recognised far and wide as a fair club and one that embraces players of all abilities with an ethos of helping players develop whilst enjoying their football and having fun.

As many of you will have read when we advertised recently for new Trustees to join us - Tankerton FC is a Community Club and registered Charity with ambitious plans for the future including a new ground and clubhouse. It is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation overseen by a board of Trustees with the day to day operational football business run by an Executive Committee.

Our goal is to help all players and volunteers within the Club whatever their age, gender, race, religion, ethnicity, ability or disability to maximise opportunities and open doors in life whether that be on the sporting field, in school, college or university or even in the work place, using the power of sport to challenge adversity, to offer opportunity and to give everyone a chance to develop whilst ensuring people's welfare and enjoyment remains a priority in all that we do.

We are proud to say that we have around 300 boys and girls registered with us and with the adult teams we have nearly 400 players in total participating in football in some capacity with Tankerton.

I would like to thank Dave McGovarin, Terry Whyte, Phil Barton and Dean Gonsalves for stepping in and keeping the spirit of the club going during some challenging times this season not only with the club chairman stepping down but also in so professionally dealing with the COVID 19 situation and express my thanks to the other members of the Executive Committee for all they have done this year. As I have said before they very much are the beating heart of the football at this club.

I would like to thank my fellow trustees Terry, Phil, & Dave, Toby Elgar, Peter Still, David Green, Chris Wareing, Richard Miller, Det Hofmann, and Adam Whyte for their part in numerous long meetings and interaction throughout with Canterbury City Council, Kent County Council, the Football Foundation, ISG, HMRC, The FA, Kent FA and the Charity Commission and the list goes on.

Once again the club is profoundly grateful for the professionalism expertise and time commitment that they have shown and given.

I would next like to express the thanks of all the Trustees to the coaches and the helpers for all the hard work they have put in this year so the children were able to train regularly and play and enjoy



their football at weekends. Seeing hundreds of young people enjoying their football in Tankerton colours is a credit to you all. It is fantastic thank you each and everyone for making this such a happy and inclusive community club

I also want to thank the parents for bearing with us this season and supporting us in what we do and making things possible both on and off the playing field

The support and sponsorship from local companies to large national or multinational companies should also not go unrecognised especially those that have sponsored much needed kits for teams.

Finally I would like to say thank you for the support we have had from the FA, Football Foundation and Kent FA, Sport England, and Veolia you have all helped keep our dreams alive of moving to a new ground. The pace, as we are now used to, has been slow but we have been relentlessly tapping away and edging forward with our future plans. We now own the leases to two parcel of land on the B road between Whitstable and Herne Bay, have created a nature reserve for the local community, delivered one full specification 9 a side pitch with under soil drainage, and managed and maintained a large site ready for the next stage of development over the next season or two. We are getting there.

We are more than a football club. We are a community, we are Tankerton FC.

Thank you.

Tim Elgar

Chair of Trustees

September 2020

2. Report by Acting Chairman



There is a saying in football 'a game of two halves' well I think it is fair to say that 2019-20 was very much a season of two halves.

From September to March, when the world was of normal, the club had 25 teams comprising 19 youth teams, our deaf team 2 men's teams, our ladies' team and 2 vets teams playing in 6 different leagues. In addition, the weekly Tankerton Wildcats, now in its 3rd year, continued which gave girls aged 5 to 11 years the chance to play football.

This meant the club provided just over 350 players with football with an age range of 5 to 45+

Once again the club had a good season on the playing field, with under 8's, 9's and 10's enjoying success in the Faversham League Festivals, our under 11 colts reached the cup semi final also in the Faversham League and our other under 11's reaching the plate final in the East Kent Youth League, which unfortunately did not get played.

The clubs Under 12 Vipers were champions in the Faversham League, without losing a game indeed winning 16 of the 17 games they played. An excellent achievement by the players and the team's coaches, Ian French and Dan Piper which the club's committee recognised by presenting them with the club's Coach of the Year award. Further success was achieved in the East Kent Youth League with the under 13's winning the division three title. The season also saw the Men's first team enter the Kent County League for the first time where their performances demonstrated that they can compete at this level and I know they will be looking to push on again in their second season.

It was yet another great season for Tankerton F.C. Girls' and Women's teams where we saw the under 15's Girls compete in the top division for the first time, similarly the under 13's battled it out at the top of division 2 and showed an amazing growth in player numbers. Similarly, our Females Who Football, Tankerton Women's teams saw a growth in numbers and competed in the Futsal league.

Perhaps the greatest achievement on the playing field last season was the clubs under 16 Girls team who made club history by becoming the first Tankerton youth team to reach a Kent County Cup Final. Once again unfortunately this was unable to be played, however the club have been advised that this will take place at some point in the 2020-21 season.

Whilst it is important that we celebrate on field achievements, all teams had their own individual success stories to tell, be it special moments created, growth in numbers and most importantly players developing as footballers and also as part of a team. It has been so good for me to see so many young people, and more mature players, enjoying their football once again. This is only made possible by the time, dedication, commitment, and enthusiasm given by our 50 or more volunteer coaches/managers/assistant coaches and team administrators. On behalf of all the players I would like to take this opportunity to pass on my heartfelt thanks.

On other fronts, the club continued to work with other charities including back in September when we jointly arranged a charity match at Seaview, with the Campaign Against Living Miserably charity, to raise funds and continue with their work to raise awareness of high suicide rates. The successful

day saw us field a team made up of players from our men's and ladies' teams, with the day raising £3200.

Closer to home the club's fundraising included another successful quiz night in November and others giving up their time to raise funds at the Whitstable Junior School car park in December.

Prior to lockdown the club's Youth Council continue to meet regularly and amongst other things were actively planning a club fundraising activity before everything was cut short. I have no doubt they will pick this back up again when it becomes possible to do so.

And so, to the second half of the season in the COVID world that we continue to live in. As you know in March all grass roots football was suspended and effectively the seasons for all teams finished. The clubs committee continued to meet on a regular basis, all be it virtually in the safety of our own homes. Initially we had, like many businesses and individuals to face into some difficult decisions regarding the club's finances. I believe we made the right decisions and I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the club, to thank all parents and players who were able to continue to make payments to the club in April and beyond.

The next challenge that we faced was in June and July when the government and the FA announced that grass roots football could return. To ensure our players could return in July to play the game they love in a safe environment, we undertook a full risk assessment and implemented a number of measures to meet the initial sketchy FA guidelines that were published. These measures included a number of risk mitigants at Seaview for training initially and subsequently for matches. The procedures put in place were backed up with a clear communication to parents and players and clear instruction and guidance to all volunteer coaches within the club. Initially this was monitored by members of the committee and it was and continues to be really pleasing to see that everyone involved with the club, both on and off the field have continued to act sensibly and responsibly in these continued challenging times.

The committee are continually updating the clubs risk assessment as the national position changes and therefore so does the guidance we receive from the Government and FA. The club secretaries have also met head on the challenge of ensuring all our teams were ready to begin their league games on time. This was particularly challenging this year as the window to achieve this in was significantly reduced.

The committee members are all volunteers and so I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank them for their invaluable input, dedication and for giving up hours of their time, to not only ensuring the safe return to football for all our players but also for enabling our teams and players to be able to begin their league campaigns on time.

It just remains for me to say thank you to everyone who has contributed to make Tankerton Football Club the success that it continues to be, and to wish all teams the best of luck for what we hope will be an uninterrupted season"

D. McGovarin

Acting Chairman

3. Success of the Womens and Girls Teams

Another great season for Tankerton F.C. Girls' and Women's teams

We saw:

- Tankerton Girls U16s make Club history by becoming the first Tankerton youth team to reach a Kent County Cup Final (still to be played).
- Tankerton Girls U15s compete in the top division for the first time.
- Tankerton Girls U13s battle it out at the top of division 2 and show an amazing growth in player numbers - now it's time to grow into two teams.
- Tankerton Women's teams see a growth in numbers, compete in the Futsal league and enter a number of other tournaments.
- Tankerton Wildcats is now up and running and is in its 3rd year, giving girls aged 5 to 11 years the chance to play football.

Tankerton Girls U16s



We could not be prouder of our U16s - to be the first youth team in the club's history ever to reach the final of an F.A. Youth County Cup competition is such an achievement. We knew the players were an amazing bunch when they won our club's first Kent Youth Trophy last season, but this achievement has surpassed even last year's cup win. The semi-final win will always live in the memory as one of the best team performances in the history of Tankerton Football Club; to beat the champions the way they did was incredible. Last year we described these players as legends and now they have surpassed even that accolade!

The team would like to say a massive thank you to our sponsors, Prints And Gifts and Ossie's Fish Bar, for helping sponsor the girls with their Kent League kits, hoodies and rain jackets.

Tankerton Girls U15s

We are immensely proud of our U15s in the way they kept battling to the end in every league and cup game. Division 1 was always going to be competitive and the players and coaches should be so proud of their efforts. The commitment and potential of this team is limitless due to the special bond the players have with each other. They have so much talent in this team, with many different characters; they are so determined, hardworking and have a willingness to listen to the coach. There is no doubt they can achieve big things next season.



The team would also like to say a massive thank you to our sponsors, George Wilson Group, for their home and away kits the last two seasons.

Tankerton Girls U13s



We could not be more proud of our U13s and the growth in the squad has been incredible. The commitment of players, parents and coaches has been incredible, and you could really see the bond of all, on and off the pitch. The players competed all season at the top of the league and there can be no doubt that, if the season hadn't finished prematurely, the girls would have finished near the top of the league. We are all looking forward

to having two teams next year at this age group.

The team would also like to say a massive thank you to our sponsors Millington Stove Installation and The Plough, Swalecliffe.

Tankerton Women's team

The women's improvement has been incredible and, with our coaching team behind them, the development of the players' skills has been evident. Plus, you could not meet a nicer bunch of players who love to play football every Wednesday at Seaview.

The team is entering more and more tournaments and frequently enters the Sunday Futsal League.



Tankerton Wildcats

The women's game is growing and growing, and if you need any further evidence of this come and join us at Tankerton FC! You will have the chance to see the joy and happiness of the girls playing football, which makes volunteering so worthwhile.



New players are welcome:

- Tankerton Wildcats for girls aged 5 to 11
- Tankerton Girls' 11 to 16 years old,
- Tankerton Women's team, 8pm to 9pm

For more information, please contact: enquiries@tankertonfc.co.uk

4. Extracts from Social Media

Faversham and District Youth Football League

26 April 2017 ·

CONGRATULATIONS to [Tankerton FC](#) Under 12s! An unbeaten season scoring 77 and conceding just 15 goals saw them clinch our Under 12 league title after their final game of the season last night. A fantastic achievement for all of the players, parents, coaches and everyone at the club. Well done! (We've been assured that that is NOT champagne!)

Under 12's 9 A-side

League Table										
POS		P	W	D	L	F	A	GD	PTS	
1	Tankerton Under 12	15	12	3	0	77	15	62	39	
2	Deal Town Youth Under 12	15	7	6	2	43	24	19	27	
3	Woodnesborough Under 12	15	6	3	6	34	30	4	21	
4	Daves Hernhill Herons Under 12	15	4	3	8	24	49	-25	15	
5	Tyler Hill Youth Under 12	15	3	3	9	22	49	-27	12	
6	Sittingbourne Lions Under 12	5	3	0	2	15	9	6	9	
7	Margate Youth Under 12	10	1	0	9	16	55	-39	3	

And success before the shutdown took effect for our East Kent Youth League Under 13 Team:

TheFA website navigation: ENGLAND, COMPETITIONS, GET INVOLVED, BOOTROOM, WOMEN'S & GIRLS', RULES & REGULATIONS, ABOUT, COVID-19, SHOP

U13 Div 3 League Table:

POS		P	W	D	L	PTS
1	Tankerton U13	15	13	0	2	39
2	Dynamo United U13 Colts	15	10	2	3	32
3	Chartham Sports Club U13	11	9	0	2	27
4	Herne Bay Youth U13 Colts	11	7	1	3	22
5	Margate Youth U13 FC	14	5	1	8	16
6	Margate Youth U13 Girls	13	4	2	7	14
7	Saint Margarets U13	15	4	2	9	14
8	Faversham Strike Force U13 Lightning	14	3	3	8	12
9	Deal Town Rangers U13 Hoops	14	0	1	13	1
10	Betteshanger Welfare Betteshanger Welfar	0	0	0	0	0

Recent Results:

DATE	HOME	RESULT	AWAY
L 08/03/20	Chartham Sports Club U13	3 - 2	Herne Bay Youth U13 Colts
L 08/03/20	Dynamo United U13 Colts	H - W	Faversham Strike Force U13 Lightning
L 08/03/20	Tankerton U13	10 - 0	Saint Margarets U13
L 01/03/20	Herne Bay Youth U13 Colts	7 - 0	Deal Town Rangers U13 Hoops
L 23/02/20	Margate Youth U13 FC	H - W	Deal Town Rangers U13 Hoops

League News (4 of 5): Full Club Directory, League Officer Contact Details, EKYFL Club Handbook 2020 - 2021, Match Day Paperwork / Cancellation Forms

And then the leagues closed down and the games stopped:

Facebook post from Faversham and District Youth Football League (17 March):

In light of this regrettably the Faversham and District Youth Football League is suspended with immediate effect until further notice.

Further communications will be issued in due course depending on how the situation develops nationally and based on any further guidance from the Kent FA.

Comment from Kent FA (16 March):

Please read this important update from The FA regarding #Covid19 and grassroots football:

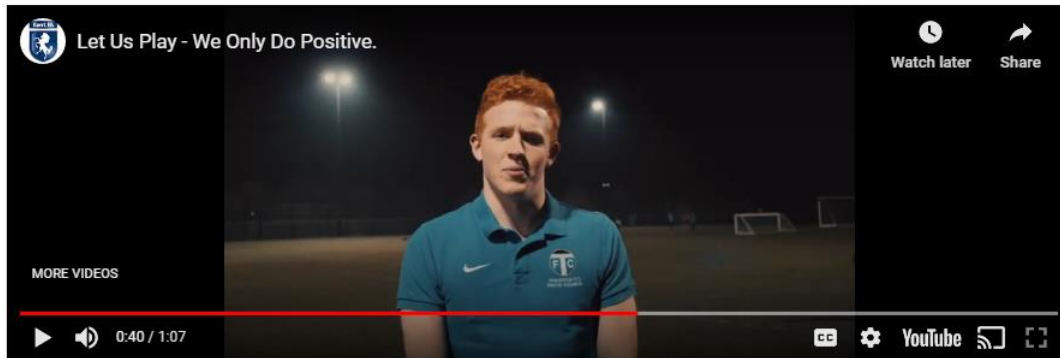
"Following the Government's announcement today for people to avoid so... See more

Page transparency: Facebook is showing information to help you better understand the purpose of a Page. See actions taken by the people who manage and post content.

From elsewhere on social media:

Just let us play

Tankerton FC are proud to be working with Kent FA on their Just let us play campaign. This FA campaign has a perfect synergy with our clubs ethos as a community club.



LET US PLAY | We teamed up with [@FCTankerton](#) and [@KingsHillFC1](#) to bring you our third [#LetUsPlay](#) video - providing a voice for the young footballers of [#Kent](#) and a reminder of the importance of positivity across the game in our county. [#WeOnlyDoPositive](#) pic.twitter.com/9pbKIvECNx

— Kent FA 🏆 (@KentFA) [March 5, 2020](#)

CALM Charity Match

On Sunday 1st September, Tankerton FC hosted an event at Seaview in support of the charity, CALM (Campaign Against Living Miserably). CALM is leading a movement against suicide, the single biggest cause of death among men under the age of 45 in the UK. The twin aims of the day were to raise money for the charity and to heighten awareness of the increasing tragedy of suicide among young men.



The event was organised jointly by the TFC fundraising committee, led by Jason Tongue, and Jackie Kavanagh, the mother of Liam who took his own life aged just 31, after battling depression. Jackie had teamed up with Jenny Woledge and Debbie Cooley who had both lost their own sons, Will and Ryan. In all, the lives of six young men who had been the victims of depression were remembered on the day.

The central event of the day was a football match between a team comprising members of TFC men's and ladies' teams and "The Lost Boys", a mixed-sex team of Liam's family and friends. After marking a minute's silence, the teams battled away for 90 minutes with The Lost Boys emerging as 3-1 victors.

At half-time there was an extended break for an auction of sporting memorabilia, conducted by TFC Treasurer, Dave McGovarin.

Following the match there was a speech by TFC Chairman, Andy Davidson and presentation of medals to both teams and of a trophy to The Lost Boys' captain.

Supporters of CALM had organised various stalls and attractions to entertain visitors and to raise money for their cause. Thanks go to all those who helped out in various ways on the day. In all, the event raised a magnificent £3,264 for this very worthwhile charity.



Emergency Services Lodge No 9676 reach out to our Children's Deaf Team



Our TFC Children's Deaf Team kicked off its new season at Seaview last Saturday with two very special guests in attendance: Mr Gerry Skinner, Master of The Emergency Services Lodge No. 9676, and his wife, Kathy. The Lodge recently held a Ladies' Festival hosted by Kathy who chose Tankerton FC Children's Deaf Team as her fundraising charity. Kathy, along with her daughter, Karen Dinley, are co-directors of Interpreting Matters, who specialise in providing British Sign Language interpreters throughout the South East region and London. Interpreting Matters are one of the sponsors of the Deaf Team, so they fully appreciate the opportunities the Club are providing to children with any levels of deafness.

Kathy said "on behalf of the Lodge it is so important for young, deaf and hearing-impaired children to be able to participate in sport. The TFC Deaf Team coaches have all received BSL Football Awareness training with support from Interpreting Matters and we are delighted they are making a difference in our community to help these children. Tankerton FC is the only grassroots club in the county with a children's Deaf Team and seeing the children enjoying fun footy sessions is fantastic."

The event started with a TFC presentation from two of the Deaf Team club officials, providing a heartfelt insight into both the achievements and difficulties the children and their families cope with on a daily basis. This was followed by an update on the wider club's ground development project to support over 350 young people staying active in football and the immense hurdles the club has to continue to overcome to make this happen.

A number of fundraising activities followed, resulting in an overwhelming total of £1027... raised for the children's Deaf Team.

The Deaf Team, who are Kent FA Community Project 2018 winners, train on a Saturday morning for u6+ age groups. Please get in touch with Liz Flaxman @ TFCDeafTeam@gmail.com for more information. It's not too late to join in the fun sessions.

The Deaf Team gave a huge cheer to thank Gerry and Kathy and members of The Emergency Lodge for raising much-needed funds.



5. New Ground Report

The new ground is still very much on the radar although that too has been hampered by the COVID19 Pandemic.

The club have been working closely with the Council, the Football Foundation and Kent FA as well as local businesses too

In May the club had an incredibly positive and informative teleconference with the Football Foundation and Kent FA. Both organisations are still fully behind the project. Their recommendation was to utilise the Local Football Facilities Plan (LFFP) which was published in June/July for the Canterbury district.

This document was part of a national roll out of LFFPs for Councils throughout England, and Tankerton FC were advised to press Canterbury City Council over engagement, partnership and delivery of the project.

10/07/2020

Canterbury Local Football Facility Plan

Introduction

This is the Local Football Facility Plan (LFFP) for Canterbury district*. It was prepared by Knight, Kavanagh and Page (KKP) with support from local partners, including:

- Canterbury City Council
- Kent FA
- Football Foundation
- Kent Sport
- Sport England
- Charlton FC Community Trust
- Active Life Ltd.

NB the LFFP covers the Canterbury District as a whole including the City of Canterbury.

What is the goal?

Every local area in the Country will have a LFFP to enable investment in football facilities to be accurately targeted.

Who is behind this?

The Football Association, the Premier League and Sport England (on behalf of Government). This partnership finances the National Football Facility Strategy (NFFS) and commissions the Football Foundation to deliver it.

This together with the Playing Pitch strategy would make our new ground development one of the very few priority projects in the area.

Executive summary

In summary, the LFFP for Canterbury identifies opportunities to accurately target investment in football facilities across the local area.

The national funding partners have significantly increased investment to accelerate efforts to deliver more and better football facilities for the grassroots game and this plan proposes a programme of 11⁺ priority projects for potential investment that will transform local football facilities, including 3G FTPs, improved grass pitches, changing rooms/pavilions/clubhouses and small sided facilities.

This LFFP will be the go-to document for football facility investment in Canterbury. It does

Tankerton FC**LOCATION**

TANKERTON FOOTBALL CLUB ESTUARY CLOSE, ST. AUGUSTINES BUSINESS PARK, WHITSTABLE, Kent, CT5 2QJ

FACILITIES

Natural grass pitch improvements (6)
New Changing Pavilion (1)

OWNER

Football club

DELIVERABILITY SCORE

High (3/4)

NFFS OUTCOME SCORE

2.8/4

OVERALL SCORE

71% (8.6/12)

NOTES

Existing facilities: Tankerton FC is currently in the process of developing a new ground opposite its current facility at Seaview Caravan Park. A 9v9 youth pitch has recently been developed (although not yet in use) and further plans for the site include a new clubhouse, car park and for a further six football pitches. The club are currently working through a funding application with the Football Foundation.

Current users: 24 teams from Tankerton FC. The new pitches are not seen as a replacement for the Caravan Park site as this will still be required because of the number of teams the club has.

Rationale:

- potential key site.
- club applying for funding through the Football Foundation
- some match funding identified.

Our new playing pitches and club house and changing facilities actually topped the list of priority projects for Canterbury and District and scored as the most deliverable for the city council.

Given the work still to be done with the Council and the financial situation of councils across the country the advice was to aim for the October 2020 funding window, with the caveat about a second wave of the pandemic possibly having a knock on effect etc.

This was pretty much the line the council took anyway in our later dealings with them.

The view was that our ask regarding funding, VAT, and the council 'lead' on the application - would require a formal decision. And at the time, whilst the council were meeting virtually, they were only taking urgent decisions up to 1 September via a new committee format.

In these later meetings the council reiterated that the context for the council has changed - revenue funding had fallen through the floor and they had put a hold on their own capital programme for the foreseeable future, with a fundamental review of all services, and whether to reopen facilities, etc.

There was no way a July application to the Football Foundation for the main grant for our club house and pitches could be pulled together.

Therefore at the end of our reporting year they did not know what the implications would be in relation to the application and despite 7 years of working alongside us on major aspects of the project more information was needed by them before they would enter into an agreement.

They reported at the time that the case for supporting Tankerton FC project over and above those they had paused would be a hard one to pursue. But that said, with the LFFP in our favour and a

request to look at the contractual documents from the Football Foundation the door truly is not shut on this in relation to potential council support. It just seemed in July that the can had been kicked down the road yet again regarding commitment and partnership arrangements.

Initiatives we launched for the new ground:

Crowdfunding - support our New Ground Development

Tankerton Football Club is reaching a new and exciting period in its short history, developing a fantastic new ground with 8 pitches and associated facilities.

As we look to the future for our 350+ players we are in desperate need of new pitches. Our new site on the bends between Whitstable and Herne Bay is the perfect place for this but, we cannot do so without your help! We need you to help us fund 8 new pitches so the boys and girls of Tankerton and the surrounding areas can have a sustainable place to play!

Not only will we be having football pitches on the development but also a nature reserve where local schools can come and visit, engage in activities like pond dipping and enjoy the facilities we want to build.



The new ground is something to be utilised by the community as a whole not just the Football Club, there are many different opportunities for people with this development, young and old.

But we are in need of donations to help us develop this exciting project and provide the local children with a site where they can have fun and engage in activities of all kinds! So please donate what you can and help us bring the huge potential of this project forward.



What we offer:

- Inclusive football
- 25+ teams
- Veterans Teams, a Deaf team, Girls and Ladies Teams and boys teams from U7's through to Men's football
- 350+ players
- Across 6 leagues County wide playing geographically from Charlton to Ramsgate to New Romney
- Youth Council – giving youth a voice in how we are run and developing other skillsets
- Community outreach and engagement and now a Nature Reserve created
- Footballing pathways
- Providing qualification opportunities for coaching and refereeing
- Degree mentoring opportunities
- And many other opportunities for volunteering etc

Tankerton Football Club is really so much more than just a football club:

it is a registered charity, an inclusive, community orientated, and young person focussed club. It looks beyond playing to help our players realise there is a pathway for them through football into employment, helping them grow as people and realising their potential off the pitch. Two of our former Youth Council leaders are currently in full-time work for Kent FA's Football Development team. Another former player and Youth Council member is currently working in the social media department at Southampton Football Club. Another is working for the National FA at Wembley, another with Colchester United in EFL Div 2. One coach works for Crystal Palace FC. And several of our current and former young coaches and players are studying sport or football related degrees along with such things as media and business at university.

With help from local partners, the FA, Football Foundation, Sport England, Veolia and Canterbury City Council we are nearly there – we just need your help now to raise the rest –



If you have any queries or would like to join the crowdfunding team then email us at
- crowdfundingtfc@gmail.com

And some success we had..

Tankerton FC successful in application for new tree pack for the New Ground

Tankerton FC have been successful in our application for a community tree pack for the new ground, which should help with the screening and stop balls flying into the road. We have an estimated 270 new young trees on their way from the Woodland Trust.



And a quick update on the site:

- Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, progress on the new site is understandably slow at the moment and the Council is hesitant on loan finance as funds are now scarce.
- The FA do have us down as a key project in the area under the new Local Football Facilities Plan, a national project involving the FA, the Football Foundation and Local Governments.
- At this stage ISG (a global organisation, specialists in fit out, technology, and construction) who have a factory and premises on the site next to the new ground have been fantastically supportive and will be helping with the new entrance way and car-parking.

However we are continuing to look for ways of obtaining the necessary funding to allow us to move forward with this project, so if anyone knows of any developers, local companies (or a Sheik, Russian oligarch, Chinese millionaire, a Beckham etc) with an interest in grassroots football who would like to get involved in this fantastic project for the community – 8 pitches, clubhouse and changing rooms and a nature reserve, then please put them in contact. We have started (already having raised over £170,000 and putting one pitch and a nature reserve in place) and we mean to finish, but further help on the financial side would be most welcome!!

6. Structure, Governance and Management

As a governing body under the charity commission rules the trustees oversee the direction and governance of the club and are responsible for its financial management ensuring its reputation is upheld and that the charitable objectives of the club are carried out. Whilst they delegate day to day football and related operational matters to the Executive Committee led by the Chairman/Acting Chairman the trustee board retain overall legal responsibility and only delegate as far as the governing document or the relevant legislation allows. The law describes charity trustees as “the persons having the general control and management of the administration of a charity” (Charities Act 2011).

Tankerton FC is a Charitable Incorporated Organisation.

Tankerton Football Club became a Charity in November 2010 and moved to become registered as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation under Tankerton FC in May 2013 so as to allow the club to hold assets in its own name and to allow eligible youth players to be elected Trustees and contribute to the running of their club.

The latest constitution in respect of this reporting year was issued on 28 May 2013.



The club is run on an unpaid voluntary basis. Day to day matters are dealt with by an Executive Committee who report on a quarterly basis into the Board of Trustees. The Trustees have the ultimate authority at the club.

Reporting into the Executive Committee and running their own teams according to club rules are Team Managers.

Players, parents, grandparents, and guardians etc. then make up the bulk of the associate membership of the club. Anyone can become an associate member.

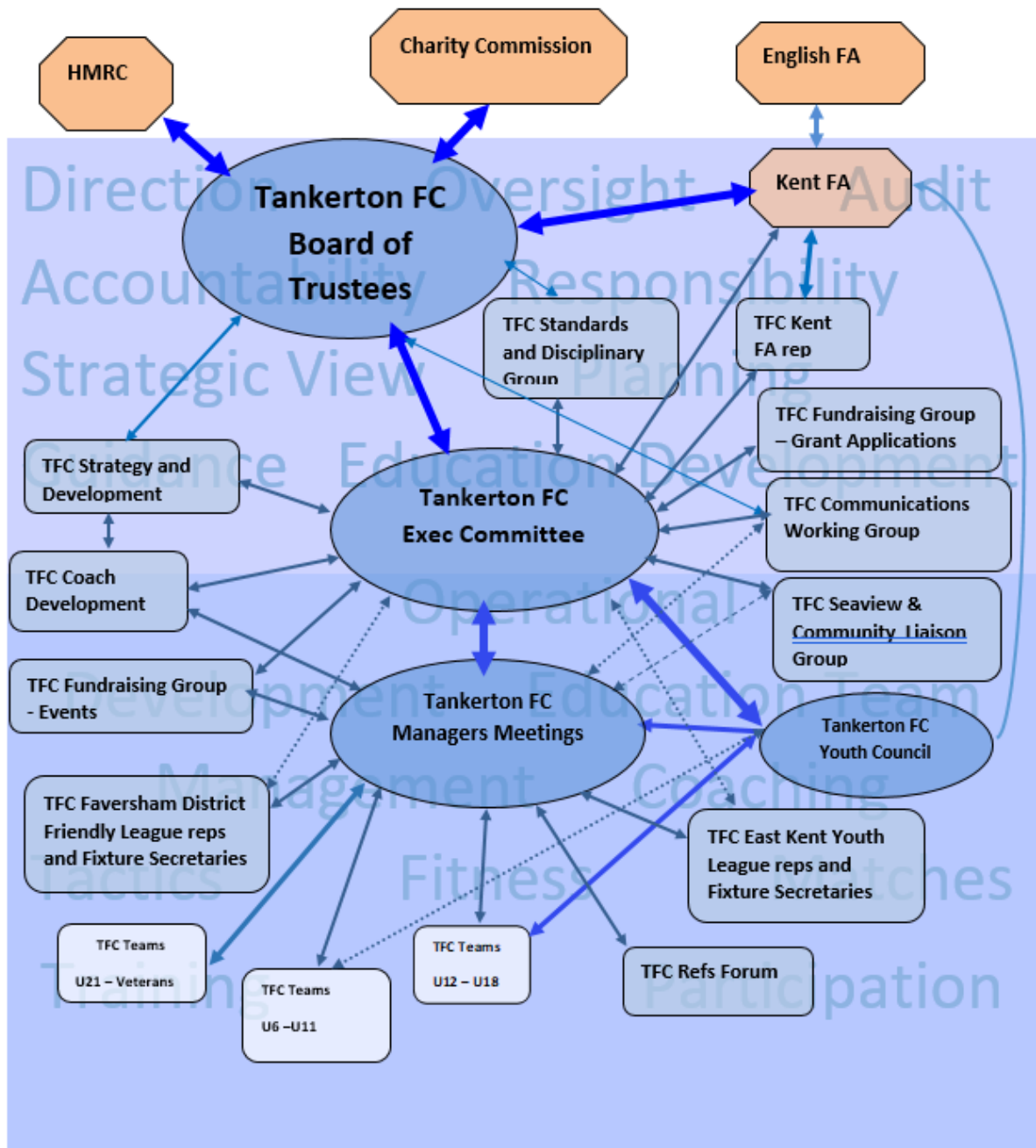
Membership works on a subscription or donation basis.



WORKING DYNAMICS



CHARTER STANDARD
COMMUNITY CLUB



7. Public Benefit statement:

In planning our activities over the year we kept in mind the Charity Commissions guidance on public benefit and looked to align these activities against our objectives regularly at our quarterly trustee meetings, our clubs monthly executive meetings and throughout the season.

This Annual Report outlines the activities and events the charity has undertaken throughout the year to deliver those objectives.

The Charity's objects (the Objects) are:

- (1) The promotion of community participation in healthy recreation in particular by the provision of facilities for the playing of Association Football for all age groups and with a particular focus on young people*
- (2) To advance in life and help and educate young people up to the age of 18 living in the Tankerton and surrounding Whitstable area through:
 - (a) the provision of recreational and leisure time activities focused on Association Football which develop their skills, capacities and capabilities, helping them mature and interact with adults, their peer group, and wider community.*
 - (b) promoting their health and wellbeing, through participation in managed and structured physical activity including but not exclusively football training and involvement in football matches.**
- (3) To further such other charitable purpose as the CIO may decide from time to time.*

8. List of Trustees:

Names of Trustees on date of report (and date started if during reporting year or subsequent):

- Tim Elgar
- Terry Whyte
- Dave McGovarin
- Peter Still
- Philip Barton
- David Green
- Toby Elgar
- Chris Wareing
- Richard Miller
- Detlef Hofmann
- Adam Whyte

The following Trustees left during reporting year

- Jason Tongue
- Mike Kingston
- Tracey Thomas

9. The Financials - Treasurers Report

TREASURER AGM REPORT 2020

The club's financial year ended on 31st July 2020. The club showed an overall in year surplus of £5,056.99. Within this however the day to day running of the club showed a deficit of £1,322.93 which was a direct result of COVID-19.

When grassroots football was suspended by the Government in late March, the club's committee took the difficult decision to ask parents/players to continue to pay their monthly donations, if they were in a position to do so, in the month of April. This decision was ratified by the club's trustees. Subsequently the decision was taken by the committee that from May onwards payment of donations would be at the discretion of paying parents/players and no longer mandatory.

These decisions were taken in the best interests of the club, given that a predicted end of year deficit of approximately £6,900 was anticipated had the club not receive any more donations from 31st March onwards. Consequently, it is pleasing to report that the end of year position is significantly healthier not only as a result of the generosity of the clubs paying players/parents but also because of prudent management of other expenditure in the final few months of the club's financial year.

It should be noted that in addition to the usual expenditure pre COVID, such as training facility hire, pitch and referee fees, jackets for players, insurances etc the club had also purchased the end of season trophies for all players, three sets of portable goals, supported by an FA grant, and paid the FA affiliation for 2020-21 season.

The club's committee also took the decision to purchase additional trophies for the under 13 boys' team who won their division in the East Kent Youth League but did not receive anything from the league

The only payments not made in the financial year that would normally have been made were the league entry fees which will now be made in October in the 2020-21 financial year.

Whilst the committee budget annually, and therefore it is not ideal to report a deficit on the day to day running, given the challenges faced since March I hope you will agree the position the club finds itself in is healthier than first imagined.

Away from the day to day running of the club within the financial year the club successfully reclaimed the Gift aid from the 2015/16 season which totalled £9,636.56. These funds were added to the land pot. The club also received £4,619.50 from one of its long-standing sponsors who donated these funds from his year as Whitstable Golf Club Captain. £4,300 was added to the land pot with the remainder being used to sponsor one of the junior team's kit for the 2020-21 season.

The financial year saw continued significant investment into the new ground development with an overall gross spend of £17,700. Some of this spend was supported by grants from Kent County Council and Canterbury City Council, other spending was funded from the aforementioned successfully reclaimed 15/16 gift aid return. This resulted in a net in year spend of just over £7,400. The land pot at the end of financial year was £21,312.15.

Net fundraising in the financial year totalled £1,281.19. This was predominantly from the quiz night in November and the car parking at the Whitstable School in December. Naturally fund raising is

down on previous years because of the club's inability to organise any fundraising events since March due to Government restrictions. This included the clubs traditional end of season presentation day which historically raises approximately £1,500.

Over and above these specifics and after consideration to other pots of money income and expenditure such as the deaf team, Wildcats, Ladies team and Vets consequently as mentioned above the clubs overall in year position showed a surplus of £5,056.99.

Club reserves at the end of the financial year were £13,549.56, well in excess of the agreed £10,000. The overall club assets were £39,347.71

As we turn to the next financial year it should be noted that since players returned to training, the club purchased the necessary sanitising gels and wipes plus full PPE for coaches. This expenditure will be shown in next year's finances and will be partially offset by a £500 grant we have successfully applied for from the FA for this purpose.

One of the key considerations for the trustees and the club's committee was the level to set annual donations for the 2020-21 season. Given the financial position of the club and the national position I am pleased to advise that the decision was taken that the annual donations will remain at the same level as the 2019-20 season.

The club's committee will continue to manage the club's finances though the challenging times we continue to find ourselves in. carefully and prudently

D. McGovarin

Tankerton Football Club Treasurer 01/08/2019

Club Accounts

RECEIPTS

	<u>2018/19</u>	<u>2019/20</u>
Subs/Donations	42,176.50	38016.00
Misc	182.91	40.79
U6/7 training	180.00	498.00
(A) RECEIPTS TOTAL	£42,539.41	£38,554.79

PAYMENTS

	<u>2018/19</u>	<u>2019/20</u>
Fees	3,527.18	1,606.15
Ref fees	4,120.00	3,228.00
Admin	1,389.85	501.00
Fines	150.00	200.00
Kit Purchase	2,567.84	2,057.80
Website	1,242.75	1,153.00
Youth Council	93.76	100.94
Equipment	3,295.77	2,743.11
Jackets	2,318.06	1,182.21
Trophies	3,531.50	3,051.20
Courses	700.00	550.00

Maintenance	2,648.19	1,227.65
Pitch Marking	212.22	298.69
Pitch Hire	1,119.23	1,145.56
Training Pitch Hire	17,097.75	20,832.41
Tournaments	30.00	0.00
(B) PAYMENTS TOTAL	44,044.10	39,877.72

RUNNING COSTS (A)- (B)	-1,504.69	-1,322.93
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Mens Team	1,437.13	-1,457.00
Deaf team	-785.58	443.18
Wildcats	390.00	-355.00
Ladies Team	61.60	745.07
Vets	-512.81	120.00
Fundraising	4,747.63	1,281.19
Refreshment Hut	-1,145.98	-293.64
Grants/Donations	250.00	250.00
Containers/Chang Rooms	-4,062.59	0.00
Goal Purchases	0.00	-1,486.85
Overall Sub Total	-1,125.29	-2,075.98

Pots of Money in Year

Bailey Yanik	-43.78	0.00
New Ground	-15,628.20	-2503.59
Gift Aid	8,641.40	9636.56
Samuel Thorne	31.00	0.00

Overall in Year	-£8,124.87	£5,056.99
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Opening Balance	£42,298.80	£34,173.93
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In year	-£8,124.87	£5,056.99
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Closing Balance	<u>£34,173.93</u>	<u>£39,230.92</u>
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Monetary Assets:

Treasurer Account Balance	1,653.31	7,661.88
BMM Account Balance	28,344.70	25,566.99
Cashbox	4,343.04	6,169.17
Uncleared receipts	0.00	0.00
Uncleared payments	167.12	167.12

	<u>£34,173.93</u>	<u>£39,230.92</u>
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Deaf Team	2,718.52	3,161.70
Wildcats	916.33	561.33
Ladies Team	1,113.60	1,858.67
Bailey	1,563.68	1,563.68
New Ground	970.93	21,312.15
Mens team	-779.57	-2,236.57
Vets	-537.81	-417.81
Net Pots of Money	<u>£5,965.68</u>	<u>£25,803.15</u>
Club Reserve Carried Over	<u>£28,208.25</u>	<u>£13,427.77</u>
<u>TOTAL (reconciled)</u>	<u>£34,173.93</u>	<u>£39,230.92</u>

Accounts of the New Ground Project:

Receipts

Transfer from club funds		13,208.25
KCC Payment		1,000.00
14/15 Gift Aid allocated		9,636.56
CCC Reimbursement for winter veg clearance		9,354.00
Whitstable Golf Club Donation		4,300.00
Fundraising 19/20		607.18

TOTAL a **38,105.99**

Expenditure

Bourne Sports - Valuation no 8		5,621.86
Bourne Sports - Valuation no 9		1,756.91
TGMS post construction monitoring - Jan 20		600.00
Arbeco winter vegetation clearance - Mar 20		9,354.00
Consult QRD Funding application support		432.00

TOTAL b **£17,764.77**

In year balance a-b **£20,341.22**

Balance c/f from end of 18/19 season **£970.93**

Total Balance to carry forward to next reporting year **£21,312.15**

TANKERTON FC UNITES AGAINST DISCRIMINATION IN FOOTBALL.

We stand united with leagues and clubs across Kent against discrimination.



Tankerton FC believe it is important to raise awareness and challenge discrimination in non-league football across Kent.

It is everyone's responsibility to call out discriminatory behaviour from football. This form of abuse includes a reference whether express or implied to any one or more of the following characteristics:

- Ethnic origin
- Colour
- Race
- Nationality
- Religion or belief
- Gender
- Gender reassignment
- Sexual Orientation
- Disability

If you hear it, report it!

Kent FA and Tankerton FC are determined to provide an inclusive football experience for anyone who wishes to play, coach, officiate, administer, support or be involved in any role in football. An experience that is reflective of our diverse communities, safe for all and free from abuse and discrimination

TANKERTON FOOTBALL CLUB
An FA Charter Standard Community Club
A Community Club with a focus on Children

*As adopted for the Charity Commission Trustee Annual Return for
the period 1 August 2019 to 31 July 2020*

Charity Name: Tankerton Football Club also known as Tankerton FC

Charity Registered Number: 1154570



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