



Brinklow Football Club



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Senior Section Constitution and Policy (established in 2008)

Objective

The senior section of Brinklow FC will be the figurehead of the club. It will provide the inspiration to all junior members to remain with the club throughout their playing career, and will lead by example at all times. The club will endeavour to support the senior section to play at the highest standard possible. The club will directly support the senior section through the appointment of a management team who will manage, coach and provide dedicated administrative support.

Addition to Club Football Development Plan

Aim 2 Team Development, Player Recruitment & Retention

Objective

Senior Section Recruitment of players from Junior Section.

Method

Players of 16 yrs and over to participate in senior training sessions

Senior manager to liaise with under 16 and youth managers to identify talent

Youth players to be invited to attend senior matches

Senior Managers select players from Youth team where appropriate

Senior managers to attend under 16 and youth team matches

Principles

1. At the AGM of the football club, the committee will appoint a team of managers and coaches to run the senior section. Applicants for these positions will be proposed in accordance with the general constitution of the club, but will only be appointed subject to a meeting with the club committee where they will be expected to provide reasons to support their eligibility for the position. Nominations should be received before the 31st May each year, the selection process and appointments will be completed before 30th June, with final approval made at the AGM.
2. In addition a dedicated secretary and a club vice chairman will be created for seniors alone. The secretary will be responsible for player registrations, attendance of league meetings, arranging and/or confirmation of fixtures and referees, league correspondence and admin of fines.
3. Managers and coaches of the senior section are expected to be qualified to the appropriate Football Association standards with a minimum of level one and preferably a level two badge for coaches. The club will actively support and encourage the development of coaches. They are also expected to demonstrate suitable experience and on going personal development for their nominated position wherever possible. Managers and coaches of the senior section will agree to operate within the



clubs policies and rules and will be accountable to the club committee at all times, including financial and administration matters.

4. The senior section players will be completely integrated and operate as one unit, with a first team and, depending on the number of players registered in the section, further (reserve) teams. The decision regarding number of teams must be made in advance of the start of any season in accordance with the relevant league rules, and must be made only with the full support of the main club committee. A decision will be made by the Committee regarding the existence of a Youth team before its AGM and will be reviewed each year. Consideration will be given to the amount of players eligible, ability and suitability to play in a Youth league. When a Youth team is in existence the objective will be to develop the players for inclusion and selection into the senior section. Players must register with the club by 31st July for the coming season and at the time of registration agree to club policies.
5. The senior section will train as one unit, with two training sessions per week organised to provide flexibility. Players are expected to attend at least one training session per week in order to be eligible for squad selection, unless prevailing circumstances prevent this and the manager is advised accordingly. Managers and coaches of the senior section should actively liaise with under 16 and youth managers to invite players from these age groups to attend training sessions and begin to integrate , working towards their development into the senior section.
6. The natural transition from Junior to Senior football should be structured and progressive through player development. Development will be in the form of structured coaching in football, discipline, consultation of aims and objectives. The key objective will be for players to demonstrate their suitability for selection into the Senior Squad.
7. Squad selection for matches will take place at least 2 days prior to the game, with all players being informed of their team selection by the senior section manager(s).
8. Managers and coaches responsible for squad selection will always appoint the strongest possible first team to play for the club. The first team will take priority over any other (reserve) teams at all times regarding player and squad selection. The first team manager will have the final say in the event of any dispute regarding player selection, and in the event of any decision requiring arbitration the senior section vice chairman will be responsible.
9. Senior section players will be expected to pay a subscription fee to the club as determined each year at the AGM. A signing on fee must be paid at the time of registration and then weekly match day fees will be collected. Any player in arrears will be expected to make his reasons known to the club or risk exclusion from training and squad selection. The senior section secretary will keep a record of all subscriptions collected by the Managers and Coaches.
10. Senior section players are expected to abide by the clubs relevant policies and rules at all times, and will conduct themselves in keeping with an FA accredited club at all times.
11. Any player or manager receiving fines whilst representing the club, must settle the amount in full within 28 days of receiving notification from the club, or risk temporary suspension from squad selection.