



Fleet Spurs Football Club

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Dear All,

Players, Parents and Supporters as we approach the end of 2020, on behalf of the administrators and team managements across the club I would like to wish every one of you a very happy Christmas and a prosperous 2021.

I would like to especially thank those who support our teams throughout the season. The club has long term goals and in the last couple of seasons foundations have been laid which we hope will evolve to success.

2020 has been a momentous year for this football club with the successful conclusion of lease negotiations for the ground. The stability that this provides us moving forward ensures we are in a far better position than we were in January. Our success, despite all the Covid difficulties we have faced as a community simply underlines the level of commitment we benefit from. I am delighted that all our teams have now recommenced their individual league campaigns and that whatever may be thrown at us by Covid we are in a good position to enable the completion of fixtures even with anymore breaks due to the flexibility the Southwood site provides us. This is testament to the work being done by everyone

From my perspective as club chairman the key target to achieve early in 2021 is the development of our committee. Effective administration and organisation is essential to the successful running of a football club, whether you're a smallish outfit with just a couple of teams or a large community club with senior and youth sections to manage like we have here at Fleet Spurs.

A diverse committee provides direction and support and gives transparency to club members about how their club is being run. Committee size is an important issue and, in my opinion, should be proportionate to the size of our club. Currently the committee we have is too small, it is over-reliant on the hard work of one or two individuals and that means we lack some diversity of skills and experience which I feel could come from within current footballing community. Can you help?

How do I join my club's committee?

Committee roles are usually filled at the club's Annual General Meeting (AGM), although due to the restrictions we were under at the end of last season there are currently openings or roles that need filling this season. Volunteering can be extremely rewarding, and new committee members will receive a lot of support from current members and myself. If you would like to become part of the team or would simply like more information, please get in touch. kiering@fleetspurs.co.uk

Non-League football may not be as glamorous as the Premier League or even the Football League but the football at this level has much more of a family and community feel to it as you're a lot closer to the action.

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My initial footballing target for 2021 is the promotion of our 1st team into the Premier Division of the Combined Counties league. We would then rise from step 6 to 5 in the football pyramid putting the club on the same level as Fleet Town and Camberley Town locally with all the benefits that this provides. A second but just as important target is to continue the successful integration and flow of players throughout the club and to ensure we support our youth teams with the coaching expertise available where needed. At the same time, we need more support through our turnstile to be able to push on and even though we have seen an increase in matchday support this season especially from within our own youth ranks it would be good to see more of the local community come and see what we are about, sample some non-league football and support us.

I know that as we enter the New Year with hope and determination Adrian Wilson and his 1st team squad are ready to push on and secure our promotion place. It is a real challenge that everyone relishes and accepts. He and the team would welcome your support on matchdays with Fleet Spurs Youth players benefitting from free entry and half price entry for accompanying parents (£3). A vocal support from behind the goal or on the side-lines may just secure a positive result. Fixtures are available on the club website.

In addition to these aspirations I would like each of our other 43 squads to meet their expectations as maintaining a healthy and competitive club is essential for growth and development and I fervently believe that here at Fleet Spurs we are stronger together and the future bright.

I hope despite all the difficulties you all can spend your Christmas around friends and family. I would like once again to wish everyone a very happy time over the festive period.

Yours Sincerely



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