

Verwood Town Football Club



Youth Ethos

Verwood Town Football Club is committed to creating and maintaining the safest possible environment for children and young people to enjoy youth football.

We aim to be accessible to players of all abilities from Verwood and the surrounding areas.

The foundations of the club are built on respect, dedication and community.

We will challenge our members to improve as players, team members and individuals. We strive to build character, integrity and teamwork.

We want our young players to aspire to play for our senior team in years to come and for every player to be proud of their achievements.

While we take our football seriously, we never forget the importance of fun and enjoyment. We like to be competitive, but we are not a 'win at all costs' club at any level or age group.

Managers and coaches will be supportive and encouraging to players.

Everyone who trains with a team will be offered practical playing experience from the moment they join (as long as they are over 6 – due to FA rules). This could be in friendly games, league games or tournaments.

Some leagues are very competitive, and managers will ensure they only put players in who have the confidence and ability to cope.

Under 10 and below is a focus on player development and equal opportunity for game time.

Under 11 and above managers can choose a side with more emphasis placed on results for key games.

Manages can reward players who make every effort in training and matches with more playing minutes.

Managers will clearly communicate with parents and players their approach and priorities.

Verwood Town Football Club are united as one club, and recognise that we are stronger as a whole than as individual teams.