



## **CODE OF CONDUCT (CoC)**

### **PARENTS, GUARDIANS AND SPECTATORS**

Pontypridd AFC fully supports the Football Association of Wales Safeguarding policy, practices and procedures and acknowledges that football parents, guardians and spectators have a fantastic opportunity to be a positive role model for the young people involved. We all have a responsibility to ensure that everyone involved in football finds it to be a fun, safe and positive experience.

Membership of the club entails your agreement and commitment to uphold the CoC.

*Parents, guardians and spectators are expected to:*

- Respect and appreciate match officials, opposition players, coaches, managers and spectators.
- Deliver and collect your child punctually before and after training, matches and club events.
- Support and motivate all players, including the opposition, and encourage your child to do the same.
- Encourage your child to obey the laws of the game and teach them that they can only do their best.
- Never publicly criticise, ridicule or embarrass any children.
- Ensure your child has kit and clothing appropriate to the environment and weather conditions.
- Ensure that proper sportswear and protective kit are provided and worn at all times in training and matches.
- Disclose any medical concerns or changes in medical conditions to the Club Safeguarding Officer and the Team Manager.
- Not place unnecessary pressure on your child or push them into activities they do not want to do. Applaud effort and good play.
- Not to interfere with coach instructions and not to confuse the players by telling them what to do.

- Encourage all children not to discriminate on the grounds of religious beliefs, race, gender, social classes or lack of ability.
- Accept that striving to win is more important than winning itself.
- Respect the decisions of the match officials.
- Ensure that your child understands their Code of Conduct.
- Not to post anything inappropriate, or negative on social media which may bring the game or the club into disrepute.
- Behave responsibly and never engage in or tolerate the use of foul, abusive, insulting or inappropriate words, behaviour or gestures.
- Get Behind the Line and not enter the field of play without prior permission from the referee.
- Make football fun.

Failure to comply with the CoC may lead to club disciplinary proceedings that could result in suspension from club activities and disciplinary proceedings from the area association.