



# Stowbridge The Future of Football in Hurst



The development of a Clubhouse at Stowbridge in Hinton Road has been progressing for some time and the project is gaining considerable momentum.

The ground is now confirmed as a sports facility meaning all planning obstacles preventing us from building have been overcome and the pitch will be used by many teams during the summer for training. Under 13s matches will also be played there this coming season.

With the wheels already in motion on this important step, the attention and efforts can now turn to raising the remaining funds required to begin development of the new Hurst F.C Clubhouse.

## The Target

The target is to raise £50,000 with the help of the community, including local businesses, employers and families that are part of Hurst Football Club and the Village Community. So far up to £6,000 is being raised annually and the club also benefits from fantastic financial support from its main sponsor, Haweli Twyford.

Hurst F.C is delighted to say that it has received pledges of support from local companies that have put the club well on the way to achieving its target. There is still a long way to go and there are a number of ways that players, parents, members and the community can help. These are:-

## Buy a Brick

Why not own a piece of the Clubhouse yourself?

Imagine seeing your name on the wall of the building and experiencing the feeling that you were part of that achievement?

Bricks do not have a minimum cost and will be sold to anyone who is generous enough to contribute to this project; a list of our Brick Owners so far can be found at the end of this newsletter.

## How much do they cost?

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| Clubhouse Brick | Up to £100   |
| Silver          | £100 - £1000 |
| Gold Bricks     | £1000+       |

Alternatively, if you prefer to contribute to a specific purchase or piece of work then please do. These range from balls at £10 each to coaching courses from £150, summer pitch maintenance from £800 and the Clubhouse electricity supply from £5000.

Bricks can be bought by written pledges presented to the committee. Payment can be immediate or settled once the £50,000 target is achieved.

## Employer Sponsoring or Matching

Many people work for large organisations that often donate to community projects; others will match

funds raised in the community where an employee has been integral to a specific event. Why not find out what your employer does?

We have identified many large companies that have offices in the area who will contribute to this kind of project, perhaps you work for one of them? Why not go to work and ask if they can help?

If your employer has a scheme for promoting community fund raising, please let me or your team manager know and we will work with you to see if the project suits your employer and vice versa. This can be a very effective and efficient way of raising funds and with many parents, managers and members willing to help the £50,000 target could be achieved within 2 years.

## Research & Applications

There are many sources of grants, sponsorships and donations that we can apply for but we need to find them; plus we need to find the time to find them in addition to the day to day running of the Club. If you can spare an hour each week to browse the internet and find the Trusts, Grants and Funds that we should be speaking to, this would be a great help.

How are you with forms? If you can help to fill out applications for grants, sponsorship or fund raising, that makes a big difference too.

## Presenting the Vision.

One of the challenges we have is to present the vision of the new Clubhouse and fund raising plan in a dynamic and exciting way that shows how far we have come and how we will achieve our remaining goals. If you have resources and skills available to design presentations like this, this would really help us raise awareness of the project.

## What next?

Stand Up and Join In - be part of this exciting project. Progress can be slow sometimes because the same people doing the day to day running are also trying to do all the fund raising. With your help, we can make this dream a reality. Be a small part of it and we can make it happen!!

Call us on these numbers if you would like to support the project in any way

Thank you very much

Greg, Shane, Caroline, Laurence, Stuart, Alan (The Hurst FC Committee)

For more information or to lend your support, please call:

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Or contact your team manager if you would like to support the project in any way.

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