Use of Photography and Filming Policy

Purpose

The club recognises the value of photography and video in promoting football activities, celebrating achievements, and engaging with members, supporters, and the wider community. The welfare, privacy, and safety of all participants remain the highest priority.

Consent

- Photographs and videos of players, coaches, volunteers, and spectators may only be taken or used where appropriate consent has been obtained.
- For players under 18, parental or guardian consent must be secured before images are published.
- Individuals have the right to withdraw consent at any time, subject to reasonable practical limitations.

Appropriate Use

- Images and videos should portray participants in a positive, respectful, and appropriate manner.
- Content must be relevant to football activities and club events.
- Personal information, including home addresses, phone numbers, schools, or other identifying details, must never be published alongside images.

Social Media and Online Publication

- Only authorised club representatives may upload photographs or videos to official club platforms.
- Images must not be edited or used in a way that could cause embarrassment, distress, or misrepresentation.
- Members should seek permission before posting identifiable images of others on personal social media accounts.

Safeguarding

- Photography and filming must never compromise the safety or welfare of any participant.
- Any concerns regarding inappropriate photography, filming, or online sharing should be reported immediately to the Club Welfare Officer.
- The club reserves the right to request the removal of any image or video that breaches this policy.

Match Days and Events

- Spectators may take photographs or videos for personal use unless otherwise notified.
- Commercial photography, filming, or broadcasting requires prior approval from the club.
- The club may take photographs and videos during matches, training sessions, and events for promotional, educational, and historical purposes.

Policy Breaches

Failure to comply with this policy may result in disciplinary action in accordance with the club's code of conduct and safeguarding procedures.