

## TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR THE HIRE OF FOOTBALL AND CRICKET PITCHES AT DODLESTON SPORTS GROUND

### 1, Individual and Co-ordinator:

Any group or individual acting on behalf of a team wishing to hire a pitch for a game or block booking arrangement must register with Dodleston Parish Council and provide details of the name, address, telephone number or e mail address of the individual person or co-ordinator responsible for the members of the team or club and acting on their behalf. You can make a booking by sending details via the link on the pitch booking page of the Dodleston Parish Council website

### 2. Charges, payments and monitoring information:

#### (a) Invoice:

An invoice will be raised for hiring a pitch at the time of booking and will include details of the initial charge, date, time, duration and number of sessions booked.

#### (b) Payments:

All bookings must be paid at the time of booking by paypal by using the link on Dodleston Parish Council website or the Paypal app using the email address [katepcdodleston@gmail.com](mailto:katepcdodleston@gmail.com) **Cash payments are not accepted.**

#### (c) Monitoring information:

The sports facilities have been part-funded by Sport England and it is a requirement that the Parish Council provides annual returns on how the facilities are being used. Please provide us with the following information for each booking: type of activity (which sport, training or match); number of people playing (including opposition); gender of participants; age range (under 11, under 16, under 24, over 24)

### 3. Use of pitches and code of conduct:

(a) The Hirer shall only use the allocated pitch as per the schedule on the invoice. The sub-let of pitches or facilities is not permitted. The football pitch shall not be used for any purpose other than football and the cricket pitch shall not be used for any purpose other than cricket

(b) The team should bring their own gear for the game – no footballs, flag posts or any other equipment is supplied. No storage facilities are available at the site. No metal studs to be worn on any pitches

(c) **Warm ups:** At no time should players enter the pitch prior to their scheduled time or interfere with a game that is in progress.

(d) At the end of your session please ensure that all the litter, empty bottles, cans of drink, fruit peel etc are picked up from and around the hired pitch and on the playing surface. Please place all litter in the litter bins that are provided around the site.

(e) No amplified music may be played or broadcast at the site without the appropriate performing rights licence, nor without the written permission of Dodleston Parish Council

#### Code of conduct

Hirers are reminded that the facilities are situated close to a residential area. All individuals (players, officials, supporters) must conform to any regulations in force with respect to the site and comply with any instructions they may be given by a representative of the parish council as the owner of the site.

Please ensure that facilities are used correctly and individuals do not use foul or abusive language whilst playing. Please respect the neighbours and keep noise levels down to a minimum, again, avoiding foul and abusive language on and off the pitch.

**Persistent offenders will have their booking cancelled with no refunds given.**

#### **4 Health and safety:**

(a) No smoking is allowed on the premises or on the pitches.

(b) In event of an accident or injury the Hirer or co-ordinator should **contact the emergency services.**

(c) CCTV cameras are installed around the site and the pavilion. Hirers should be aware that images are being monitored for the purposes of crime prevention and public safety only.

#### **5. Cancellation and refunds**

The Hirer may relinquish the right to use the allocated pitch at any time on presentation of written notice at least 21 days before commencement of the booking, and be entitled to a full refund. No refunds will be given for cancellation made less than 21 days prior to the date of the booking. No refund can be made in respect of fees or charges once a booked or blocked booked session has taken place at the hired venue. No refunds will be given if the hirer cancels a booking on the day because of bad weather or any other reason, even if it is beyond the control of the hirer.

#### **6 Termination**

(a) Dodleston Parish Council reserve the right to cancel or amend or withdraw the use a pre-booked/hired pitch or venue at any time by giving notice to the Hirer or Co-ordinator of the team.

(b) Dodleston Parish Council will not be liable to the Hirer or the Co-ordinator in respect of expenses, costs or losses incurred directly or indirectly as a result of the termination.

#### **7. Liability**

***The Hirer or Co-ordinator is responsible for all loss, damage and claims arising out of this agreement.***

(a) Dodleston Parish Council accepts no responsibility for any personal injury, accidents, damage to or loss of property or belongings sustained by individuals or members of the club or any other person arising as a consequence of hiring or use of the pitch. All hirers must have their own insurance to cover their play and non-play activities (and those of any opposition teams) whilst using the site. Hirers may be requested to provide a copy of their insurance certificate prior to them using the facilities. Failure to provide a valid insurance certificate will result in immediate cancellation of the booking without a refund.

(b) The Club or Hirer will be responsible for any damage caused to the pitch or facility by their own members or by members of the club against whom they are playing. Details of any damage and the cost will be e mailed to the co-ordinator. The hirer agrees to pay for the damage in full.

#### **8. Changing facilities**

Changing facilities are provided. Please ensure that it they are left in a clean and tidy state. You, will liable to pay for any damage caused or additional cleaning required.

#### **9. Car Parking**

Park your cars in designated areas provided. Do not double park or block others. No bikes are permitted on any pitches. Dodleston Parish Council accepts no responsibility for damage to vehicles or loss and theft of valuables from the vehicles.

**By making payment you agree to all the terms and conditions stated herein.**