# HERTS YOUTH INCLUSIVE FOOTBALL



#### **2021/22 ROUNDUP**



We managed to return to the Watford FC Dome in February and would like to thank **Watford FC CSE Trust** for their continued support.

Our first tournament back at the Dome was a large tournament with all the Herts inclusive teams and visiting teams from outside of Herts, including; Hamble FC, Billericay FC & Brendon 66.

This season, Herts Youth Inclusive Tournaments were hosted by Everett Rovers FC, Bedwell Rangers FC, Hemel ACES FC and Watford FC CSE Trust at the Dome. Unfortunately, we had to cancel the November tournament at St Albans last minute due to freezing weather. The January and February tournaments were unable to go ahead as planned at the Watford FC Dome due to COVID and Premier League

rules. We were able to run individual club friendlies within guidance.

## \*CLUBS IN HERTS WITH A YOUTH INCLUSIVE SECTION

























\* clubs that are taking part in tournaments or those HYIF are in contact with.

### COMMUNITY



#### PREMIER LEAGUE



INCLUSIVE TOURNAMENTS

WATFORD LEEDS
UNITED

Match Day
U12 Tournament

Fantastic opportunities through our work with Watford FC CSE Trust for players involved in HYIF.

## Mentoring Clubs & Coaches in Herts

This season, HYIF committee members have continued to support clubs either starting inclusive sections or thinking about starting sessions, as well as, assisting at clubs with existing sessions where required. This has been both in Herts and, at times, outside of the county.

We have continued to raise awareness about inclusive football at every opportunity and signpost players regularly to their local clubs and to relevant England talent hubs.

We have had discussions with organisations, including, Everyone Active on promoting inclusive football across Herts and helping set up provision for their new sessions.



We have worked closely with Herts FA, including work around governance and affiliation. We have provided feedback to FA representatives on grassroots inclusive football overall, including challenges and opportunities. Mark Collins & Tracy Light have been working with the Herts FA Inclusion Advisory Group since February 2021.



#### **CURRENT 2021/2022 COMMITTEE**

Chair - Mark Collins, Everett Rovers FC Secretary - Tracy Light, St Albans City Youth FC Welfare & Safeguarding - Bryan Prentice, Bedwell Rangers FC Treasurer- Karen Stephanou, Watford FC CSE Trust

- + Representatives from clubs in Herts
- + Steve Maker & Kieran Fox, Hertfordshire FA supporting.