## **St Columba's Junior Football Club Code of Conduct for Youth Players**

Season 2019/20



## Statement

Players are the most important people in football. Playing for the team, and for the team to win, is a fundamental part of the game. But not winning at any cost – fair play and respect for others in the game is fundamentally important.

The key concepts of this code remain valid for players at all levels of football.

## **Code of Conduct**

We all have a responsibility to promote high standards of behaviour in football. As a player, you have a big part to play and that is why The FA and St Columba's JFC ask every player to follow a Respect Code of Conduct.

When playing football, you will:

- Always play to the best of your ability.
- Play fairly, not to cheat, complain or waste time.
- Respect your team-mates, the other team, the referee and your coach/manager.
- Play by the rules, as directed by the referee.
- Shake hands with the other team and the referee at the end of the game.
- Listen and respond to what your coach/team manager asks you to do.
- Talk to someone you trust or the Club Welfare Officer if you are unhappy about anything at the Club.

The Club will make your parent/carer aware of any infringements of this Code of Conduct. You should understand that if you do not follow this Code of Conduct, any or all of the following actions may be taken by The Club, League, County FA or The FA. You may:

- Be required to apologise to your team-mates, the other team, referee or team manager.
- Receive a formal warning from the Club Committee.
- Be dropped from the team or be substituted during a game.
- Be suspended from training.
- Be required to leave the Club.

In addition The FA or County FA may impose a fine and/or a suspension on the Club. Any imposed fines will be payable by the player AND NOT the club.