

Football Association of Ireland Football For All Club Programme



Kilcock Celtic AFC has been selected by the FAI to run the Football for All Club Programme for the Kildare area.

The programme will be launched in August/September 2011 by the FAI and Kilcock Celtic AFC.

What is it?

The programme will give players with disabilities between the age of 6 and 14 years the opportunity to get regular football training and competition through a local community club in their area.

The training they will receive will be professional and delivered by qualified FAI coaches recruited through a network of FFA coaches from partnerships developed by the FAI, Kilcock Celtic and the business community.



The Rationale

Everybody regardless of their ability should have the opportunity to access football in their local club ensuring the FAI promotes an ethos of inclusion within the football community.

Players receiving their training at local clubs will provide regular football, a feeling of belonging to a club, competition, and a safe environment in which to express themselves.

Players will have a pathway into mainstream teams, if not and most importantly of all, they will continue to play and enjoy the game they love with their club.

Key Objectives of the Programme

Establish a network of FFA clubs through our community clubs in each county of the Republic of Ireland.

Increase participation of players with disabilities aged 6 – 14 years in football through an inclusive environment

Identify and develop talent for our elite disability squads (VI, CP, Deaf)

Educate and train coaches working with players with disabilities

Support participating clubs through the following areas:

Education

Financial

Media/Promotions

Volunteers

Establish inter-club/regional/national Football For All competitions over next 5 years

Profile the Association as an inclusive governing body and continue its reputation as the forerunner in best practice.

How Can My Child Get Involved?

If you want to get your child involved in the programme please contact Kilcock Celtic to register with them and go along to their sessions.

What Next?

The FAI will endeavour to roll out this programme nationwide over the coming 3 years. Please do not hesitate to contact the programmes National Coordinator:

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