



Leighton United Football Club

TRAVEL, TRIPS AND TOURNAMENTS POLICY

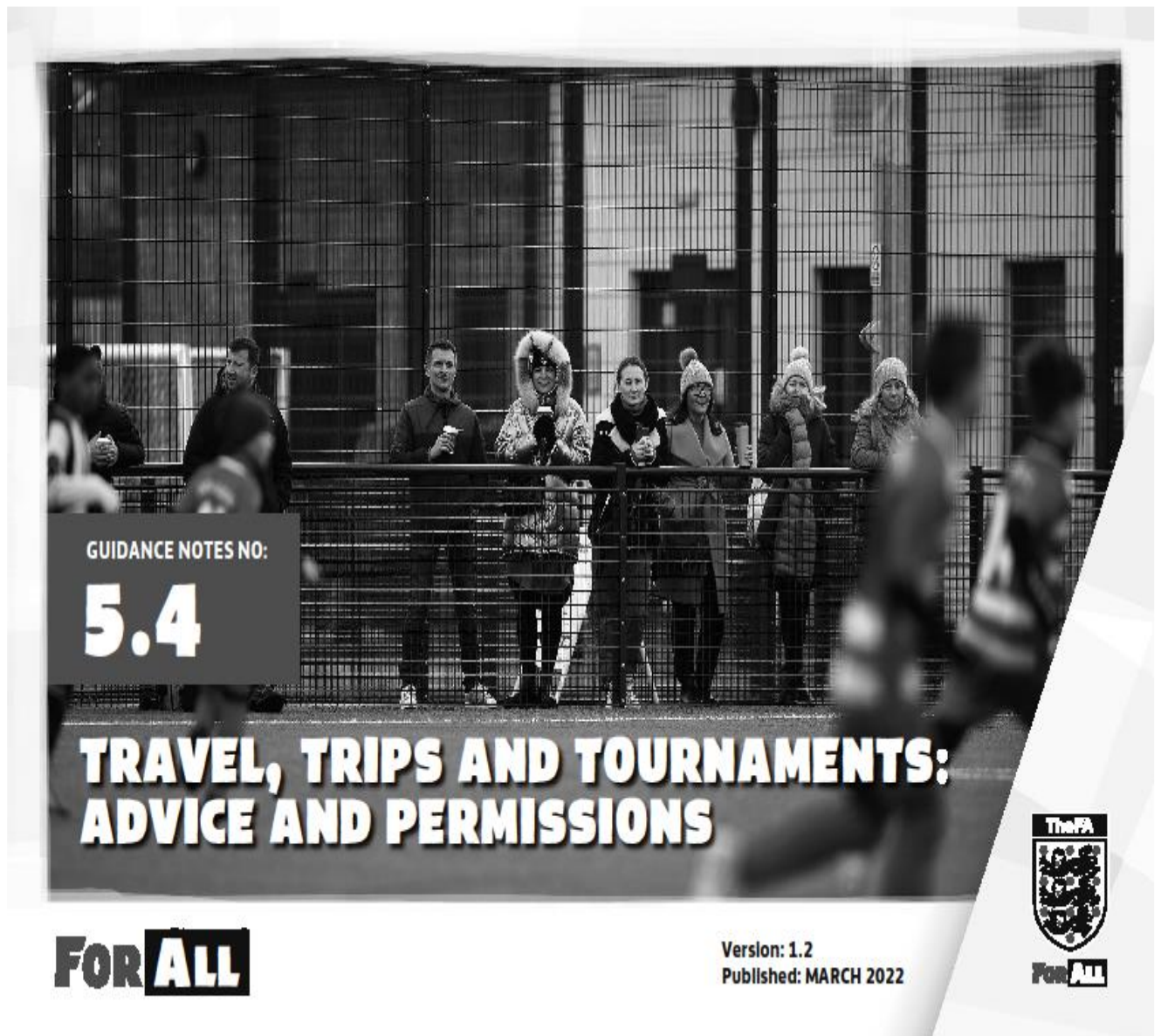
Leighton United Football Club aims to comply with current Football Association (FA) guidance for the care of children (aged 18 and under) when traveling for away games, football related tournaments, festivals or other footballing events and also trips which involve staying away from home for participation in football tournaments, festivals or other footballing events, as far as reasonably possible.

FA Guidance

Guidance can be found in the safeguarding area of the FA website:

<https://www.thefa.com/football-rules-governance/safeguarding>

An image of the current edition is shown below:



Responsibility

Coaches/Team Managers are responsible for the proper planning, preparation and supervision of club team trips that involve staying away from home including:

- Parent/carer consent has been obtained for children to participate.
- A minimum of two FA-DBS checked coaches/adults must always be present.
- Ensure coaches and anyone supervising U18s has undertaken relevant FA safeguarding training.
- Have the right gender of adults – For a male group there should always be a male member of staff and a female for a female group.
- Have medical cover – qualified first aider present and up to date first-aid kit.
- Have insurance in place – public liability and personal accident.
- Check adequacy of facilities.

Safe Away Cards

- The use of Safe-Away cards is recommended for trips that involve staying away from home. See appendix.

Giving Lifts

- The FA say lift sharing is fine when it's a private arrangement between parents/carers, but coaches/team managers should not be travelling alone in a car with children who are not their own. This is to safeguard the children and protect the coach or team manager from allegations.
- If a club coach or team manager asks a parent to give a lift to another player, that driver will become a "club official" and will need an FA DBS check and appropriate insurance. All car-sharing arrangements should therefore be private arrangement between parents/carers and not organised by the club.

Consent and Insurance

- The prior approval of the club must be obtained (via the Head Coach, Club Secretary, Events Manager or Chair) to represent the club (i.e. play under the name of Leighton United) in football festivals, tournaments or other events organised by other clubs or organisations, regardless of whether staying away from home is involved. Not doing so could have insurance implications.
- Approval will not be granted if an event clashes with a Leighton United event.

FA Safe Away Card



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