

5 Terms and conditions for the hire of Assington Village Hall Football Pitch

- 5.1 General
- 5.1.1 The pitch available for hire is at the side of The Assington Village Hall
- 5.1.2 Application for bookings should be forwarded to the booking secretary 1 month in advance and in strict order of receipt. This will take into account 2 references on conduct from previous pitch venues. Preference will be given to teams who have players that reside in the parish of Assington, proof of which will be required to be sent to the booking secretary.
- 5.1.3 Applications for seasonal use will be accepted until the last week of July.
- 5.1.4 Contact details of The Chairman, The Team Manager and 1 other person must be submitted to the booking secretary in advance upon booking of the pitch in case of cancellation through bad weather.

5.2 Usage

- 5.2.1 The season extends from the second Saturday in September until the last Sunday in April, it may be extended at the discretion of The Assington Village Hall Charity Management Committee, only if too many fixtures have been cancelled due to bad weather and the state of the pitch during the playing season. One goal will be taken down after the last Sunday in April to allow the pitch to recover and enable village children to use the other goal. It will go up again before the start of the season.
- 5.2.2 Teams / Clubs may make a season booking to play one match each week, or 2 matches back to back, matches played on alternate weeks either on a Saturday or Sunday subject to the following conditions:
- (a) The total hire fees are payable in advance upon the booking being confirmed, The Assington Village Hall Charity Management committee reserve the right to recover all monies due under this agreement in case of a dispute, suspension or any non-payment
- (b) Teams must submit their fixture list to the AVHCMC at the commencement of the season and must be notified of any re arranged fixtures on the Wednesday previous to requiring the pitch. If a fixture list has not been submitted, it is necessary to call the booking secretary on the Tuesday previous by 4pm to confirm the booking of the pitch. No refunds will be given for a pitch that is not used.
- (c) The AVHCMC reserves the right to allocate the pitch to casual users at their discretion when not being used by the seasonal hirer.

• **5.3 The hirer Shall**

- 5.3.1 Use the pitch as football pitch
- 5.3.2 be responsible for filling in the holes and divots to bring the pitch to a playable standard
- 5.3.3 mark out the pitch using their own or equipment or AVHC line marker
- 5.3.4 be responsible for the erection of goals (at the start of the season) , nets, and corner flags.

- 5.3.5 comply with the F.A football goals guidance notes August 2010 and shall provide goal inspection and repair records when demanded by the AVHCMC to show health and safety compliance and due diligence.
- 5.3.6 do not use the pitch in such a way as to cause nuisance, damage or disturbance, annoyance, inconvenience to any adjoining or close vicinity properties
- 5.3.7 be responsible that the home and away teams do not cause nuisance, damage or disturbance, annoyance, inconvenience to residence or anyone else using the facilities, through foul language or otherwise. Car parking must be controlled for maximum use with no parking on the grass, no parking on the street or private estates or Assington shopping complex.
- 5.3.8 The home team are responsible for picking up all litter from the pitch area and changing rooms before leaving the facility.
- 5.3.9 Not do any act, matter or thing which might constitute a breach of any statutory requirement affecting the pitch or which might or would make invalid or in whole or part insurance held by AVHC in respect of the pitch.
- 5.3.10 obtain public liability to the minimum value of £5,000,000 (5 million) to protect against all claims arising, other than that due to negligence of AVHC
- 5.3.11 Make arrangements to for contacting emergency services and notify AVHC of any serious injuries sustained by players (of either team) or spectators.
- 5.3.12 Hold keys to the changing room on agreement with the booking secretary, loss of keys will incur a bill for replacement lock and keys paid by the hirer.
- 5.3.13 (a) pay for any damage to the changing rooms, toilets or other property of the AVHC regardless if damaged by the home or away team (b) ensure that they are left clean and tidy, lights and water are turned off, and doors locked, litter removed from pitch by players or spectators.
- 5.3.14 pay to the AVHC the cost incurred by the AVHC as a breach of any of the hirers obligations, which for the avoidance of doubt shall include the cost of cleaning the changing rooms at the village hall where they have been left in an unclean state.
- 5.3.15 No Football boots to be worn when entering the changing rooms. Boots must be cleaned outside. All mud to be removed from changing rooms by the home team.
- **AVHC RESPONSIBILITIES**
- 5.4.1 The AVHC will arrange grass cutting throughout the growing season and provide the topsoil to fill in divots and holes on the playing surface. However the hirer must fill in the divots and holes
- 5.4.2 It is the responsibility of the hirer to mark the lines on the pitch with the line marker
- 5.4.3 In so far as the law permits the AVHC shall not be liable for the death or injury to, or damage to, or any other expenses or other liability incurred by the hirer or any person in the exercise of this agreement
- 5.4.4 The AVHC gives no warranty that the pitch is legally or physically fit for any specific purpose

- 5.4.5 The AVHC shall be the sole judge as to the fitness of the pitch for play.
- 5.4.6 The AVHC reserves the right to close, without previous notice, any ground unfit for play owing to bad weather or other conditions.
- 5.4.7 The AVHC will make every effort to permit the playing of games that have been cancelled at the weekends or evenings , without obligation to refund any fees or guarantee the playing of these matches
- 5.4.8 The AVHC will notify clubs of pitch closure via phone or email to the club secretary in the first instance, and is therefore essential that at least 1 email and 2 phone numbers are submitted with the application.
- **5.5 General Conditions relating to the hire of the football pitch**
- 5.5.1 This agreement shall terminate immediately on notice served by the AVHC at any time following a breach of this agreement .The decision of the AVHC is final.
- 5.5.2 Any hirer found to be in breach of the terms and conditions of hire is liable to suspension by the AVHC .The decision of the AVHC is final.Refunds will not be payable if suspended and the total hire fee will be charged as in condition 5.2.2 (a)
- 5.5.3 Any variation to this agreement must be made in writing to between the two parties.
- 5.5.4 All queries in the first instance must be made to the booking secretary in writing or by email.

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[Agreement to terms and conditions of hire](#)

Signed Football Club Hirer.....

Date.....

Signed Village Hall.....

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