**INTRODUCTION**

A senior coach is responsible for developing & conducting training programs and matchday activities to ensure the team is successful and professional as possible, whilst still developing the skills and tactics of the game in all players, no matter their ability.

**WOULD SUIT SOMEONE WHO**

* Has past experience as a player
* Has a passion for bringing out the best in people

**RESPONSIBILITIES**

 **Preseason**

* Contact all players from the previous season notifying them of plans for the upcoming season
* Conduct pre-season training which builds a fitness and skill base for all players
* Recruit a Team Manager who can handle all off-field responsibilities
* Attend upskilling opportunities offered by the league where possible
* Liaise with other club coaches to arrange practice matches as required

**During the Season**

* Develop coaching drills which develop players skills & understanding of the game
* Ensure players enjoy training & matchplay
* Promote good sportsmanship in players
* Always act in accordance with the Coaches Code of Conduct
* Be organised and timely in arriving at training & matches
* Ensure all players uphold the image of the club and act with discipline at all times
* Select a well-balanced team free from personal bias towards any player
* Manage training and team selection around player fatigue, injuries and performance

**KEY RELATIONSHIPS**

* **Reportable To: Coaching Coordinator**
* Players
* Team Support Staff
* Leadership Group
* Selection Committee

**TIME COMMITMENT REQUIRED**

* Attend two training sessions per week, lasting no more than 1.5 hours each (2 hours including set-up)
* Coach the team on matchdays (approximately 4 hours depending on age group)
* Throughout the year, 1 hour per week should be dedicated to planning the upcoming trainings & matches. Prior to the season beginning, this will include developing goals and upskilling in conjunction with the Coaching Coordinator

**TRAINING/EXPERIENCE & RESOURCES REQUIRED**

* Minimum Level 1 coaching accreditation (club can provide training at no expense if required)
* Sign the Coaches Code of Conduct
* Apply First Aid accreditation preferred but not compulsory