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NORTH WILTS LEAGUE ACHIEVES FA CHARTER STANDARD STATUS

The North Wilts & District Youth & Minor Football League is delighted to announce that it has just been awarded The FA's Charter Standard League status. The League is the first in Wiltshire to achieve Charter Standard status and one of only about twelve in the country.

The Football Association introduced the Charter Standard League programme in order to offer everyone in grassroots football a high quality, safe, enjoyable experience that is nationally recognised.

In order to obtain Charter Standard League status, the North Wilts League had to demonstrate:

- Evidence of how it plans to retain and grow the number of male, female and disability teams;
- That at least 60% of the clubs within the league have Charter Standard Club status;
- That it actively promotes use of The FA's Respect Programme;
- That it has appropriate policies and procedures for equality and safeguarding children, as well as an appropriately-qualified Welfare Officer;
- That it is committed to the principles of The FA's long-term player development programme.

Kevan Williams, Chairman of the North Wilts League, congratulated everyone who had been involved in the application process and said, "The award of FA Charter Standard League status is a magnificent achievement for the North Wilts League and recognises the commitment that has been made and will continue to be made to grassroots football in the local area."

Further details about The FA Charter Standard programme can be found at:
<http://www.thefa.com/GetIntoFootball/CharterStandard/League.aspx>

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