



ROLE DESCRIPTION

ROLE TITLE	Chair of Playing Committee
REPORTS TO	Eastern Counties Management Committee

NATURE AND SCOPE

The Chair of the Playing Committee is a volunteer role.

The Chair of the Playing Committee will report to the Chair of the Eastern Counties Management Committee and will be a member of the Management Committee.

The purpose of the Playing Committee is to oversee all the 'on-field' aspects of Eastern Counties' rugby activities, to co-ordinate those activities, ensure that they are being delivered in accordance with the policies and values of the RFU and Eastern Counties and to ensure that the EC Management Committee is made aware of any issues or concerns in the delivery of the agreed programme of activity.

The function of the Chair of the Committee is to ensure that the lead volunteers are working together to achieve above purpose.

The functions that sit within the Playing Committee's remit are:

- Age Grade Rugby – led by the Age Grade Rugby Co-ordinator who will be a member of the EC Playing Committee
- Coach Development – led by the EC Coaching Committee whose chair will be a member of the EC Playing Committee;
- Competitions – managed by the EC Competitions Committee whose chair will be a member of the EC Playing Committee;
- Player Pathways – led by the EC Player Pathway Manager will be a member of the EC Playing Committee;
- Recreational Rugby – led by the Recreational Rugby Programme Lead will be a member of the EC Playing Committee;
- Representative Rugby – including boys, girls, mens and womens representative rugby and county championship rugby, this will be led by the Representative Rugby Manager who will be a member of the EC Playing Committee;
- Women and Girls Rugby – led by the EC Women and Girls' Lead who will be a member of the EC Playing Committee;
- The EC Playing Committee will also include a representative of the three local referees' societies and of the EC Schools Rugby Union.

The EC Representative to the RFU Council and the Chair of the EC Management Committee will also sit on the Playing Committee.

It is expected that the individual members of the Playing Committee will engage with representatives of the three member counties (Cambridgeshire, Norfolk and Suffolk) in carrying out their own duties but it may from time to time be advantageous to ask representatives of those counties to attend the Playing Committee. This will be at the discretion of the Chair of the Playing Committee.



RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Contribute to the development of the EC Annual Plan and strategic objectives, playing an active part in the overall management of the CB through your membership of the EC Management Committee;
2. Plan and agree objectives for the delivery of the EC Action Plan with members of the Playing Committee.
3. Liaise with other volunteers leading other aspects of the CB's work as appropriate.
4. Liaising with clubs across Eastern Counties to support both competitive and non-competitive playing opportunities and ensure appropriate organisational support for any initiatives that take place under the auspices of the Playing Committee
5. Provide reports on your work to the Eastern Counties Management Committee.
6. Carry out your responsibilities within budgets set.

PERSON SPECIFICATION

Qualifications and Experience

- Experience of successfully working with a variety of stakeholders and building effective partnerships
- Knowledge of the modern game.
- Strong interpersonal and relationship management
- Strong influencing, engagement and negotiation skills
- Experience of managing and implementing change

Skills and Personal Attributes

- Passion for the game of rugby and grass roots sports development so to motivate, enthuse and inspire players.
- Demonstration of the values of rugby union.
- Integrity, good judgment and independence of mind.
- Fairness and even-handedness in dealing with individuals.
- Computer literate.
- Strong team player who can effectively communicate and engage with widely differing individuals.

Additional Information

- Time Commitment: attendance and preparation for Committee meetings and other forums.
- While most meetings are now held electronically, there will be a requirement to travel across the territory of Eastern Counties in order to attend events, visit clubs and counties and other partners. Travel expenses will be paid at a rate agreed from time to time by the Management Committee.
- The postholder will be expected to work within an agreed budget and under the guidance of the person to whom they report.

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