

## KINGS HILL SPORTS PARK

# RESPECT BARRIER POSITIONING

**At Kings Hill Sports Park it is mandatory for all clubs to provide clear segregation between coaches and spectators.**

The FA introduced Designated Spectators' Areas in 2008 as a response to concern over some touchline spectator behaviour. The areas draw the line which spectators should not cross. It deters them from standing on the touchline or infringing onto the pitch and creates a clearer distinction between those who are there to spectate and those with a responsibility to coach and manage. As a consequence, the experience of match officials and players has improved.

The area should be marked using cones or ropes. The recommended arrangement is to mark out a Designated Spectators' Area on the opposite side of the pitch to club officials for spectators to stand behind. This allows the manager/coaches of both teams to stand on the other side of the pitch, meaning players can better distinguish the advice from their team officials.

Below are guidelines on how we expect the pitches to be set up. Please take time to ensure that you are comfortable with the set up on the pitches. If you require any assistance prior to or on match days, please speak with the duty manager or email [sportspark@tmactive.co.uk](mailto:sportspark@tmactive.co.uk).

On Pitches 2 and Pitch 5 the mini football pitches are inside an 11 v 11 pitch, therefore we ask that the respect barriers should be positioned outside the 11 v 11 markings.

