

AGREEMENT BETWEEN CLAPTON FOOTBALL CLUB LIMITED AND THE OLD SPOTTED DOG GROUND TRUST

The Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust (company number 09349773) was set up by Clapton Football Club Limited (FCA mutuals register number 7768) in order to manage the day to day running of the Old Spotted Dog Ground at 212 Upton Lane E7 9NP.

This agreement sets out the obligations and expectations of both Clapton Football Club Limited as a corporate director of the The Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust and its sole legal “person of significant control” and the directors of The Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust as the officers of the subsidiary company.

Clapton Football Club Limited and the directors of The Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust agree to reach a written agreement every year that sets out:

1. the club’s priority access to the ground for home league matches;
2. protocols for agreeing access for cup games, postponed games and friendlies;
3. decisions on long-term ground-sharing;
4. and any related financial arrangements.

Clapton Football Club Limited and the directors of The Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust agree:

1. to work together to coordinate consultation and collaboration with CCFC’s membership on the development of long-term improvements to the ground and its facilities

The Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust agrees to:

1. Ensure that for the first ten years from the acquisition of the ground (up to June 2030) that Clapton Football Club Limited is paid £13,331.76 per year from The Trust’s profits to cover the club’s loan repayment obligations.
2. Subject to the annual agreement with the club, manage (and have final decision-making over) all other bookings of the ground.
3. Maintain the upkeep, maintenance and health & safety of all parts of the ground.
4. Manage the club house, including opening and closing, cleaning and bookings.
5. Manage the club bar, including ordering and controlling stock, maintenance of equipment, staffing and financial controls.
6. Develop a programme of activities to ensure that all reasonable precautions are taken to keep the pitch in a playable condition, including the purchase and maintenance of any necessary equipment and the active involvement of volunteers from CCFC and the local community.
7. Coordinate any emergency measures deemed necessary to try to ensure games can go ahead during adverse weather, including the coordination of volunteer support from amongst the club’s membership.
8. Take a lead on the development of long-term improvements to the ground and its facilities.

9. Responsibly manage the Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust budget.
10. Adopt the same financial transparency procedures as CCFC and regular publish details of income and expenditure.
11. Adopt CCFC's Accountability Agreement and apply the same principles for the management of the Old Spotted Dog Ground regarding the conduct of Trustees, volunteers, spectators and users.
12. Provide an annual statement of finances and activities to CCFC's annual general meeting.
13. Provide a copy of the minutes of directors' meetings to CCFC's Club Board.

Clapton Football Club Limited agrees to:

1. Recognise and respect the autonomy of the directors of The Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust in making decisions on the day to day management of the ground.
2. Recognise that notwithstanding The Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust's devolved responsibilities, it is an integral part of the club and will receive the same support, promotion and encouragement of any of the club's committees.
3. Ensure that The Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust is included and consulted in any of the club's community outreach, diversity and inclusion projects.
4. Proactively support the involvement and participation of volunteers from amongst the club's membership and the local community in the The Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust's activities.
5. Comply with and respect that, once agreement is reached annually on the club's priority access to the ground, The Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust has final decision-making over all other bookings.

Signed

On behalf of Clapton Football Club Limited	Date

On behalf of The Old Spotted Dog Ground Trust	Date