

# Wigan St. Patricks ARLFC Code of Conduct

All those involved in rugby league, at every level, whether as a player, match official, coach or administrator, have a responsibility above and beyond compliance with the law to act according to the highest standards of integrity and to ensure that the reputation of the game is, and remains, high.

This Code applies to all those involved in Wigan St. Patricks ARLFC and is adopted by the Club with the encouragement, support and authority of the Rugby Football League.

### Community

Rugby league, at all levels, is a vital part in the life of a community. Wigan St. Patricks ARLFC is accordingly committed to taking into account community feeling when making any decision that may be of relevance or significance to the local community and will consult with the community wherever necessary or appropriate before making such a decision.

## Equality

Wigan St. Patricks ARLFC is opposed to discrimination of any kind and will actively promote all measures necessary to prevent discriminatory practices being expressed or displayed in relation to any of its activities. In support of this, the Club has adopted a written Equality Policy to eliminate discrimination in whatever form and to promote equal opportunities.

#### **Participants**

Wigan St. Patricks ARLFC recognises the sense of ownership felt by those who participate in rugby league at all levels. This includes those who play, those who coach or help in any way and those who officiate, as well as administrators and supporters. Wigan St. Patricks ARLFC is committed to appropriate consultation with all such persons at all levels of the game who may be affected by any of its activities or decisions.

# Young People

Wigan St. Patricks ARLFC acknowledges the extent of its influence over the young people involved in the Club or who participate in its activities and is committed to setting high standards and a positive example in all aspects of its play, coaching, organisation and administration.

### **Propriety**

Wigan St. Patricks ARLFC acknowledges that public confidence demands the highest standards of financial and administrative conduct within rugby league and will not tolerate corruption or improper practices of any form or at any level in relation to its organisation or activities.

### Trust and Respect

Wigan St. Patricks ARLFC will maintain and uphold a relationship of trust and respect with all involved in rugby league, whether as individuals, clubs, administrators or other organisations.

#### Violence

Wigan St. Patricks ARLFC rejects the use of violence of any nature by anyone involved in the Club or in rugby league or society in general.

The Club will deal with any instance of violence by anyone within or associated with the Club in a manner consistent with its Codes of Conduct and with the Club's discretion to expel or exclude from membership those persons whom it considers would not be in the best interests of the Club to accept or allow to continue as members.

#### Fairness

Wigan St. Patricks ARLFC is committed to fairness in its dealings with all involved in rugby league.

#### Integrity and Fair Play

Wigan St. Patricks ARLFC is committed to the principle of playing to win in accordance with the overriding principles of Fair Play.

Jodie Whittle Chairperson Wigan St. Patricks ARLFC 27<sup>th</sup> July, 2011