



A guide for Parents & Carers of students and young people interested in hockey

Our Club



- We are Leicester City Hockey Club previously known as Leicester Ladies Hockey Club, not to be confused with Leicester Hockey club - previously known as Leicester Mens Hockey Club
- Our home venue is at St Margaret's Pastures in Leicester city centre, we have an Olympic standard pitch laid in March 2023
- Training is on throughout the week with options to train at our satellite sites such as LGS



Club History



- The club was formed in 1894 we were known as Leicester Ladies until 2017
- Awarded the Freedom of the City of Leicester in 2014, the only hockey club in the country to hold this honour
- The only National League Club in Leicester (Loughborough Students' is the only other National League Club in the county)
- 4 club members competed at London 2012, 7 former members at Rio 2016, 3 former members at Tokyo and at the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham 2022.
- Current players include former GB players, Scottish Internationals and several former England U18's and U16's, along with players from both the England O35 and O40 2022 World Cup winning teams



Honours List



- National League Premier Champions 1993-94, 2000-01, 2004-05, 2005-06, 2006-07, 2011-12
- National Cup Winners 1992-93, 2004-05, 2007-08, 2009-10
- National League Indoor Champions 2005
- EuroHockey Club Champions 2014
- National Premier League Indoor finalists 2018
- Currently National League Div 1 North (equivalent to the football championship)
- National Premier League for Indoor



Recent Developments



- 2017 launched our boys and men's hockey offer
- 2019 took ownership of St Margaret's Pastures (SMP) Sports
 Centre in Leicester City Centre, next to Abbey Park, including
 running the football facility.
- With this move back to the city we also changed our name to Leicester City HC
- 2019 launched our Walking Hockey offer to make hockey accessible to a wider group of participants
- 2021 launched Healthy Activity and Food (HAF) holiday camps in partnership with the Local Authority
- 2022 Olympic quality hockey pitch at our home ground at SMP ready from March 2023
- Upcoming: skate park and parkour facility being built at SMP 2023







- Along with Ashby and Market Harborough we make up the three clubs in Leicestershire County to be awarded the England Hockey 'ClubMark'
- ClubMark is designed to set a minimum operating standard for clubs to achieve and ensure that the appropriate risk assessments, policies and procedures are in place. It is a tool for clubs to check that they have the basics in place.
- A good club doesn't just look at a DBS. It also has good governance, manages it's finances professionally and looks after its members
- We are proud to achieve this standard and believe this to be really important for club operations



School Partnership



- We provide qualified and experienced coaches to Leicester Grammar School
- We have a player pathway through the club for players who wish to challenge themselves and aspire to reach their potential
- Our women's setup offers each player a starting point, and a full pathway to elite level at National League
- Our men's setup offers an alternative option, soon to be a similar playing level as other mens clubs in the city and county, with a 10 year plan to reach National League Hockey
- We want to offer opportunities to create a life long love of the sport and the benefits of an active lifestyle



Pathways



Introduction Development Performance Club Pathway Club Academy Club Hockey School Sports Afternoons School Programmes After school clubs





Health and Wellbeing



- We offer a club pathway or development route which complements school training and peer group play, different players, oppositions, stretch and grow for players who want to progress and have ambition
- The club gets to work with players for whom sport is given additional focus, allowing us to help them develop more quickly, and the school gets a pathway from a club with a track record of this.
- We do not need to overtrain or overplay players, they can apply a balance to studies - missing training in the week does not affect selection for weekends as soon as we know the player and their abilities
- Our coaches are qualified, approachable and player-centric



More details



- Come along to a session for you and your child to join in, and find out more about what we firmly believe is the best club in Leicester!
- Email secretary@leicesterhc.co.uk if you or your child would like to come and try some hockey with us and find out more about the club and its members



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