



# STOWUPLAND CRICKET CLUB

## **Dear Stowupland,**

The past year has been a very positive one for Stowupland Cricket Club, with strong progress both on and off the field.

Our First Team responded well after relegation in the previous season and achieved promotion, demonstrating resilience, commitment, and strong leadership throughout the campaign.

The Second Team completed the season with a mid-table finish, continuing to provide stability and valuable opportunities for players developing into adult cricket.

One of the most significant developments this year has been the launch of the Club's women's section. The team has already enjoyed success in matches, and winter training was another success, with strong attendance and engagement. The new season is now underway, with encouraging numbers and continued enthusiasm.

Youth development remains a key focus for the Club. Several young players made their debut in adult cricket during the season, gaining valuable experience, and we expect further progression in the coming year.

In addition to cricket activity, the Club continues to play an active role in the local community. Social events remain an important part of this, and we were pleased to welcome a good number of parish residents to our quiz nights, helping to strengthen local community links.

## **Facilities and Support**

We have continued to focus on improving Club facilities to benefit players, volunteers, and the wider community.

The Club would like to record its sincere thanks to the Parish Council for helping to fund the purchase of a new mower, which has already made a noticeable improvement in the quality and maintenance of the playing surface.



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## Outlook

Looking ahead, the Club's priorities include supporting the First Team in a higher division, continuing to grow and develop the women's section, maintaining strong youth development pathways, and further improving facilities and equipment.

## Governance and Club Matters

The Club continues to be run by a dedicated group of volunteers. However, we are always keen to welcome new people to help with committee roles, ground maintenance, and the Organisation of social events, to ensure the long-term health of the Club.

## Conclusion

Stowupland Cricket Club is well-positioned for future success. We are excited about the opportunities that lie ahead and remain committed to delivering an exceptional experience for our members and supporters. With your continued support, we are confident that we will achieve our goals and build a bright future for our club. This season all our adult home games will be streamed on YouTube just search for "Stowupland Cricket Club".

We have youth training on Friday nights, any youths in the village are welcome to come along and try Cricket out. Adult training for men and women is on Thursday nights again please just turn up and have a go.

We play at home nearly every Saturday until early September please come along and support us.

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