

# CHURCHDOWN PANTHERS CLUB PHILOSOPHY

## CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

The purpose of Churchdown Panthers FC is to provide a safe and suitable environment for U6 to U18 age players, to play football regardless of gender, physical ability, race, social background, or financial standing. The coaches will develop life skills, such as team working, as well as fundamental footballing skills, recognising the value of less able players, while stretching our strongest players.

## PLAYING PHILOSOPHY – OUT OF POSSESSION

Churchdown Panthers FC will develop a philosophy of winning the ball back quickly and effectively. All players will be expected to contribute to the team defensive objective, getting back behind the ball moments after losing possession, defending from the front, closing down quickly, and applying pressure high up the pitch.

*“Transition quickly to defend”*

## PLAYING PHILOSOPHY – IN POSSESSION

Churchdown Panthers FC will adopt a philosophy of playing out from the back, and/or working the ball concisely through the thirds of the pitch. All players will look to move the ball quickly, communicate effectively, provide movement and support when not on the ball, and recognise when to go backward or sideways to retain possession.

*“Transition quickly to attack”*