



Stockport County Football Club

Fan Information Pack

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Welcome to Edgeley Park

The origins of Edgeley Park as a sporting venue can be traced back to 1891. It all started when Stockport Rugby Club decided they wanted to rent a large field from Messrs. Sykes and Co in Edgeley. Hoardings were erected, the ground was re-laid and the first rugby game took place on September 3rd 1891.

A small 10m length covered stand was erected on the Hardcastle Road side, with a raised bank and 20m of terracing erected on the opposite side of the field. A small 20m raised terrace was also erected at the Railway End.

In 1901 the ground was sold to Bells Brewery and in 1902, Stockport County FC were keen to move to a ground closer to the town, in the hope this would increase attendances. Stockport Rugby Club were struggling financially so it was agreed that from the 1902 season, County would share the ground – an arrangement that would be resurrected nearly 100 years later.

In 1903 the rugby team disbanded and Edgeley Park became the sole home of Stockport County.

At the time the ground was still a very basic sports field with limited facilities. In 1903 a wooden covered stand was built at the Cheadle End of the ground,

holding 1,400 standing spectators. Remarkably County's dressing rooms were at the club headquarters at the Windsor Castle pub on Castle Street. A secretary's office and away dressing rooms (with a lavatory and hot/cold baths) were built at the Cheadle End. To accommodate bigger crowds new large gates were built at either end of the ground on Hardcastle Road. It is known that there was a small wooden stand built on a raised earthworks on the Popular side.

In September 1905 Stockport County hosted Chelsea FC, for their very first football match, County winning the game 1-0.

Since then, the ground continued to develop over the years, this included the erection of the Danny Bergara Stand in 1936, floodlights were installed in 1956, in 1995, a friendly fixture with Manchester City marked the opening of the new 5,000 capacity Cheadle End stand. Re-development continues to this day under the ownership of Mark Stott, who has invested over £3m into the Club.



At Stockport County FC we strive to make your matchday experience as enjoyable as possible.

This guide will provide you with everything you need to enjoy your matchday including:

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Getting to Edgeley Park

Stockport County FC
Hardcastle Road
Edgeley
Stockport
SK3 9DD

Edgeley Park is located 1 mile from Stockport Town Centre and is just a 10 minute walk from Stockport Train Station.

Travel By Bus

The number 11, 309 & 310 bus all stop near Edgeley Park.
The nearest stations to Edgeley Park are:

- Hardcastle Road is 98 meters away, 2 min walk.
- Castle Street is 328 meters away, 5 min walk.
- Worral Street is 330 meters away, 5 min walk.
- Stockport is 2787 meters away, 36 min walk.
- East Didsbury (Manchester Metrolink) is 4248 meters away, 55 min walk.



Stockport, your ride is waiting

Scan the QR code or
call 0161 480 0000

The Scarf My Father Wore Mural

On your visit to Edgeley Park, why not stop off at our brand new art mural, located at the top of Castle Street, the perfect photo opportunity for the whole family!



Travel By Train

Stockport Railway Station is situated approximately half a mile from Edgeley Park. Walk down steps from platform and turn left (opposite direction to booking office). Walk up Station Road, turn left at the top and cross at the pelican crossing before the roundabout. Take the A5464 (Mercian Way) and turn left into Caroline Street for the stadium.

Travel By Bicycle

For any fans travelling by bicycle, we have free, secure bicycle parking. These bike racks are located in the Vitality Railway End Car Park and are free to access for all fans. Please note: bike storage is available on a first come first serve basis and locks/chains will not be provided.

Travel By Car

Edgeley Park's postcode is SK3 9DD. Car parking in the club car park on a matchday is limited to players, staff, home and visiting Directors and match officials. There is no public car parking available on the day of the game. There is plenty of pay and display car parks all within walking distance of Edgeley Park.

From the south (M6)

Exit the M6 at Junction 19 (sign-posted 'Manchester Airport, Stockport A55, M56 East') and at the roundabout turn right onto the A556. At the Bowden roundabout after 4.2 miles, turn right (sign-posted 'Manchester M56') onto the M56 motorway. Exit the M56 motorway after 6.9 miles (sign-posted 'Stockport M60, Sheffield M67') onto the M60. Exit the M60 at Junction 1 (sign-posted 'Stockport Town Centre'). At the roundabout,

follow signs to 'Cheadle A560' also 'Stockport County FC' into Hollywood Way. Go straight on at the first set of traffic lights and turn right at the next (sign-posted 'Cheadle A560, Stockport County FC') onto the A560 towards 'Ye Olde Woolpack' pub. After 1.1 miles, turn left (no signpost, by the 'Farmers Arms') onto the B5465 Edgeley Road. After approximately 1 mile turn right into Dale Street at the traffic lights and take the second left into Hardcastle Road for the stadium.

From the north (M62 from Leeds)

Follow the M62 onto the M60 and continue south. Exit the M60 at Junction 1 (sign-posted 'Stockport Town Centre'). At the roundabout turn left following signs to Cheadle A560 into Hollywood Way. At the roundabout, follow signs to 'Cheadle A560' also 'Stockport County FC' into Hollywood Way. Go straight on at the first set of traffic lights and turn right at the next (sign-posted 'Cheadle A560, Stockport County FC') onto the A560 towards 'Ye Olde Woolpack' pub. After 1.1 miles, turn left (no signpost, by the 'Farmers Arms') onto the B5465 Edgeley Road. After approximately 1 mile turn right into Dale Street at the traffic lights and take the second left into Hardcastle Road for the stadium.

From south/east (A6/A523 over Peak District)

Follow the A6 towards Stockport/Manchester. Continue along A6 until reaching major traffic lights at Hazel Grove alongside the 'Rising Sun' pub. Follow signs for Stockport Town Centre along the A6 for approximately 2.8 miles, until reaching the traffic lights by 'The Nelson Tavern' and the Town Hall. Turn left (sign-posted 'Cheadle, Stockport County FC') into Greek Street. At the roundabout after 0.3 miles take the second exit (sign-posted 'Cheadle A5465') onto Mercian Way. Take the second left turning into Caroline Street for the stadium.



Matchday Parking

Car parking in the club car park on a matchday is limited to players, staff, home and visiting Directors and match officials. There is no public parking on the day of the game.

Pay and Display Car Parks

The NCP car park at Stockport Train Station offers a discounted price of just £3 on match days.

There are a number of pay and display car parks within a 5-10 minute walk of the ground

Caroline Street - SK3 9DJ
3 hours 70p/4 hours 80p

Armoury Street - SK3 9DR
3 hours £2.70/4 hours £3.60

James Street East /7 West - SK3 9AT
3 hours £70p/4 hours 80p

York Street - SK3 9AD
3 hours 70p/4 hours 80p

Bulkeley Street SK3 9AJ
3 hours 70p/4 hours 80p

For more information please visit
stockport.gov.uk/car-parks/car-parks-in-stockport



Ticket Office

Matchday Tickets

How To Buy

Home supporters can buy match tickets in the Cheadle End, Danny Bergara Stand, The Vitality Railway End and Blocks 1,2 & 3 of The Together Stand.

Online

Tickets are available to buy online 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
stockportcounty.com/match/match-tickets

Phone

To purchase a ticket over the phone you can call our ticket office on 0161 266 2700

Ticket Office

Monday/Wednesday/Friday – 10am- 4pm
Saturday (Matchday) 11am-4pm
Saturday (Non-Matchday) (Closed)
Sunday (Closed)

Matchday Ticket Prices

Matchday ticket prices can be found by visiting stockportcounty.com

PA Tickets (Disabled Fans)

Stockport County Football Club aims to provide an enjoyable and memorable match day experience for all supporters. We offer a wide range of specialist facilities for all disabled supporters with accessibility and inclusion being at the core of our provisions.

With any disabled match ticket purchase, a complimentary Personal Assistant ticket will be issued if required, in line with our terms and conditions which states you must be in receipt of one of the following:

- Disability Living Allowance (DLA) at the medium to high rate;
- Personal Independence Payment (PIP) at the standard or enhanced rate;
- Certificate of Visual Impairment;
- Attendance Allowance.



Your Matchday Ticket & E-ticket

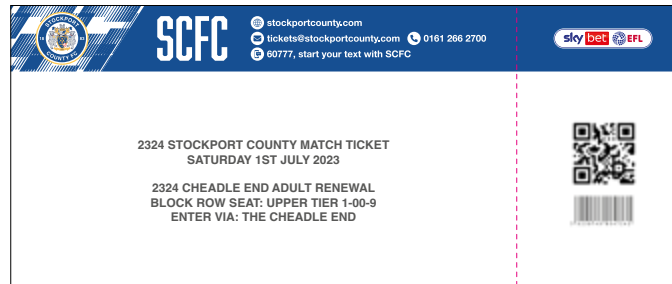
Your matchday ticket/e-ticket provides you with all of the key information that you need on your visit.

Physical Ticket

The stand that you need to enter via is displayed at the bottom of the ticket. Above that you will find your block, row and seat information.

E-Ticket

Entry and seating information can be found in the white boxes labelled 'Access'. If you are having trouble with locating your seat, please ask one of our stewards, who will be happy to help you.





Matchday Experience

Matchdays at Edgeley Park are an enjoyable day out for everyone, whether you're coming with friends, family or colleagues.

County Store

On a match day the County Store is open from 11am until kick off and then for half an hour after the final whistle. (Applies to standard Saturday 15:00 kick-offs).

To check County Store opening times ahead of other kick-off times, please visit stockportcounty.com

Popside Fan Zone

We're delighted to announce the launch of the new Popside Fanzone, situated at the back of the Together Family Stand – a space for families to get ready for the match in a fun and friendly environment. From two hours before kick-off, fans will be able to enjoy music and magic courtesy of host and magician, Paul Hazelby!

Food & Drink

We have a variety of food and drink available from the concourse and various kiosks around the ground, including the award winning The Great North Pie Co pies, a selection of draught and bottle beers, wines, soft drinks and more. Please note, we are now cashless and only accept card payments at kiosks and in the concourse.

County Courtyard

Situated outside the Cheadle End at Edgeley Park, the County Courtyard will bring fans together before and after games in a family-friendly environment which adds to the matchday experience.

Please note, the County Courtyard is for home fans only.

Vernon the Bear

Vernon the bear is our famous mascot who makes an appearance every match day, he'll be available for photo opportunities ahead of kick off in the junior supporter's zones and in the hospitality suites. He'll also do a lap of the pitch at half time for a chance to get a picture with him pitch side.

1.5 hours prior to kick off - Find Vernon Bear outside the Cheadle End and on Hardcastle Road welcoming Fans to Edgeley Park.

1 hour prior to kick off - Vernon Bear will be soaking up the pre match atmosphere in the County Courtyard.

45 minutes to kick off - Vernon Bear will sit at the County Friendly Benches – make sure you say hello

30 minutes to kick off - Photo Opportunities in the Popside Fan Zone

15 minutes to kick off - Vernon Bear will be

pitch side on a countdown to kick off

Half Time - Spot Vernon, give him a paw!

Programme

Our award-winning programmes are available to buy from our programme sellers and the Club shop every match day, for £3.

Half Time Draw

Be in with the chance of winning a cash prize, every matchday! Supporters will be able to purchase half time tickets for £1, from sellers both inside and outside the stadium ahead of the match. The draw will take place at the dug-out, just after the half time whistle, the winners will be shown on the big screen & posted on our website & social channels after the game.

Here to Help team

Keep an eye out for our Here to Help team, who patrol the stadium throughout matchdays. They will be happy to have a quick chat, listen to any feedback you may have, help with your matchday experience and answer any queries. Look out for their pink hi-vis vests.

Coming to Edgeley Park for the first time? Reach out to the Supporter Services team slo@stockportcounty.com



Stadium Guide

Flags & Banners

Flags and banners without poles are permitted as long as they have a fire certificate, there is nothing controversial, discriminatory, commercial, political or contentious on the flag & they do not cover any advertising.

Bags

Small bags or back packs will be ok to take into the stadium. Larger bags / luggage cannot be taken into the stadium as there is insufficient room and such items will restrict spectator movement. We advise that you leave all items in your car/coach/hotel as there is no provision available to store any items at the stadium.

Prohibited Items

Pyrotechnics, flares or smoke bombs Knives, weapons, tools (or items considered to be weapons)

Quiet Room in partnership with John Lewis Cheadle

We have a dedicated quiet room with a sensory light (kindly installed and donated by NK Electrical) along with a sofa, beanbags and soft furnishings (kindly donated by John Lewis Cheadle) for a calm, safe and controlled environment on a matchday.

The quiet room is free to use and anyone wishing the use the facility on a matchday can do the following:

Email - slo@stockportcounty.com

Text - 60777

Contact a steward on a matchday, a member of the SLO team or safeguarding officer.





Edgeley Park Stadium Map

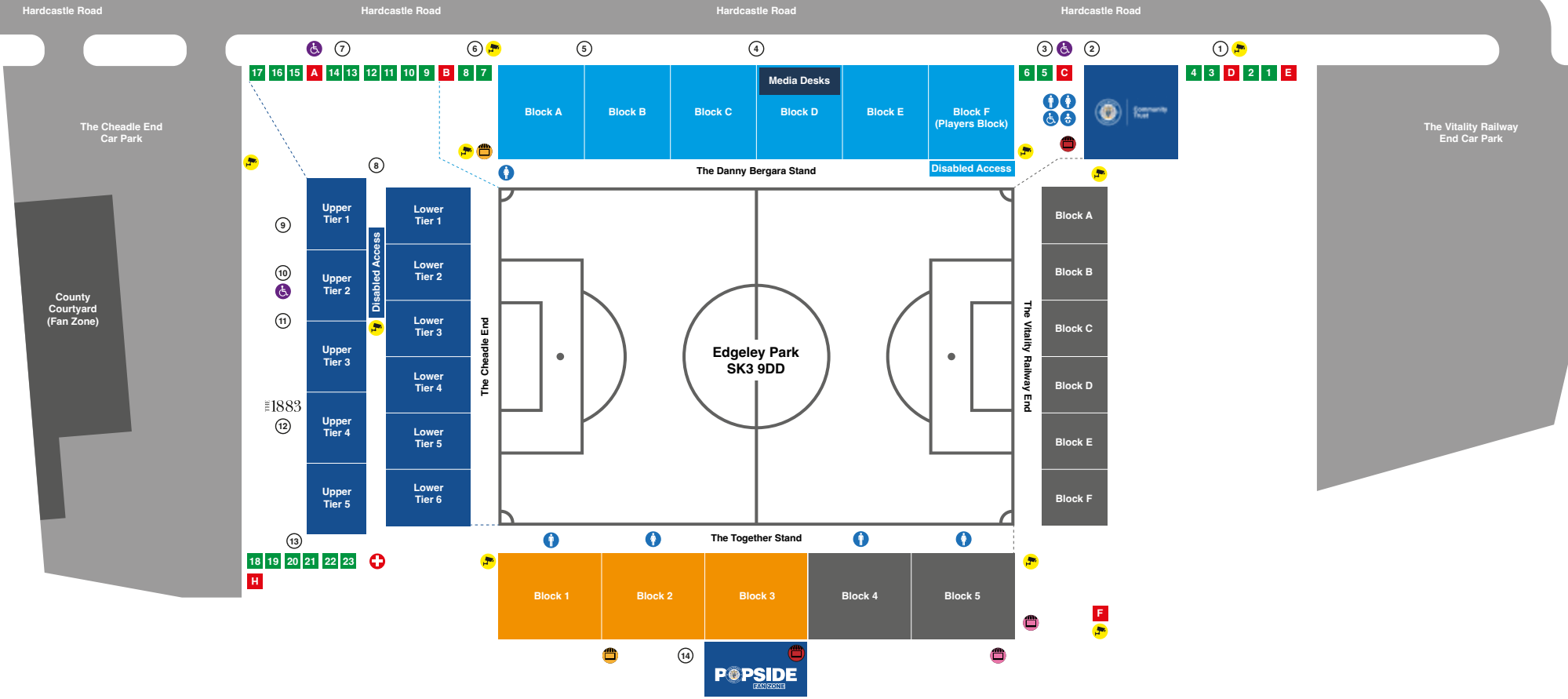
Extra Parking	
Alexandra Car Park 44 spaces 5 minute walk	Castle Street Car Park 80 spaces 2 minute walk
Bergara Close Car Park 50 spaces 2 minute walk	NCP Stockport 1000 spaces 15 minute walk

- ① The Vitality Railway End Entrance for Away Fans (T1-4)
- ② County Community Trust Office & Press Conference Room
- ③ The Danny Bergara Stand Entrance & Disabled Access (T5-6)
- ④ Player's, Official's & Media Entrance
- ⑤ VITA Bar, The Boardroom, The Pareto Lounge & The Prosche Lounge Entrance
- ⑥ The Danny Bergara Stand Entrance (T7-8)

- ⑦ The Cheadle End Entrance (T9-17)
- ⑧ The Concourse
- ⑨ Ticket Office
- ⑩ Club Reception, The Hardcastle & The Cheadle Entrance (Hospitality)
- ⑪ County Store
- ⑫ The 1883 Entrance (Hospitality)

- ⑬ The Together Stand Entrance (T18-23, access through Club Car Park)
- ⑭ Popside Fan Zone (Access through The Together Stand)
- ♿ Disabled Access
- 1 Turnstiles (Labelled Accordingly)
- A Exit Gate (Labelled Accordingly)
- 📹 CCTV

- 🍽️ Food & Beverage Kiosk (Card Only)
- 🍽️ Food & Beverage Kiosk (Cash & Card)
- 🍽️ Food & Beverage Kiosk (Away Fans Only)
- ♂️ Male Toilet
- ♀️ Female Toilet
- ♿ Disabled Toilet
- 👶 Baby Change
- 🚑 First Aid Room





The Cheadle End

The Cheadle End Stand is our biggest stand with a maximum capacity of 5058, with supporters spread over two tiers. The Cheadle End is only allocated to home fans.

Accessibility

You can access the Cheadle End straight off Hardcastle Road and through turnstiles 9-17. For disabled access please use the lift in the main Club Reception area, the disabled toilet is next to the disabled bay. The wheelchair platform has 10 spaces.

Refreshments

The Cheadle End houses our recently renovated concourse with four kiosks serving hot food, beer, wine, hot and soft drinks, as well as confectionary. The concourse also features a newly extended draught bar with a selection of beers and ciders.

Fans in the Cheadle End will also have access to the County Courtyard both pre & post match as well as during half-time.



The Danny Bergara Stand

The Danny Bergara Stand runs adjacent to Hardcastle Road and has a capacity of 2020. The Danny Bergara is only allocated to home fans.

Accessibility

You can access The Danny Bergara Stand straight off Hardcastle Road through turnstiles 5-8, 5 and 6 are for supporters seated in Blocks D,E and F, whilst turnstiles 7 and 8 are for supporters seated in Blocks A,B and C.

For disabled access, please use gate 3, wheelchair bays can be found directly in front of Block F and the disabled toilet is located next to the wheelchair bay.

Refreshments

In the Danny Bergara stand you'll find two kiosks serving hot food, hot and soft drinks, as well as confectionary, please note alcohol is not available to buy at these kiosks.



The Together Stand

The Together Stand is located opposite the Danny Bergara stand and has a maximum capacity of 2410. The Together Stand is predominately allocated to home fans, but a couple of blocks are reserved for away fans. Located behind the Together stand is the Popside Fan Zone which features an array of activities to keep our supporters entertained on a matchday. You may also have the chance to meet non playing players for pictures or autographs! Our Together stand is also famous for our schools initiative scheme, where we invite local primary schools to come and watch County for free.

Accessibility

You can access The Together stand through the main carpark and through turnstiles 18-23.

Refreshments

In the Together Stand, you'll find four kiosks serving hot food, beer, wine, hot and soft drinks, as well as confectionary. As well as more junior friendly food options.





POPSIDE FAN ZONE

We're delighted to announce the launch of the new Popside Fanzone, situated at the back of the Together Family Stand – a space for families to get ready for the match in a fun and friendly environment.

New additions to the Popside Fanzone include:

- A new family-friendly feel throughout the Fanzone.
- Pre-order machines for half time drinks at a designated collection point.
- A dedicated "Here to Help" team to assist with any questions or needs.

From two hours before kick-off, fans will be able to enjoy music and magic courtesy of host and magician, Paul Hazelby!

Step into a virtual world with our VR headset zones. Explore the changing rooms, pitch, and training ground, or test your goalkeeping skills in our interactive VR game. Volunteers will be on hand to assist you.

Join in the fun with children's activities and special events. Young fans can even have the opportunity to read out the team news before the match.

Meet Vernon Bear! Our beloved mascot, Vernon will be available for photo opportunities with children and families between 2:30pm and 2:45pm.

As kick-off approaches, our dedicated "Here to Help" team will be on hand to guide fans to their seats and ensure a positive atmosphere.

As Half-time entertainment, players will be in attendance at half-time to talk all things County.





The Vitality Railway End

The Vitality Railway End Stand is used for home fans (away fan use for selected fixtures) and has a maximum capacity of 1354.

Accessibility

You can access the Vitality Railway End straight off Hardcastle Road and through turnstiles 1-4. Away coaches are instructed to pick up and drop off directly outside of the turnstiles on Hardcastle Road.

Refreshments

The Vitality Railway End has one kiosk available and serves hot food, beer, wine, hot and soft drinks, as well as confectionary.



Wheelchair & Ambulant Access

The Cheadle End

For disabled access please use the lift in the main Club Reception area, the disabled toilet is next to the disabled bay. The wheelchair platform has 10 spaces. Row A has step free access.

The Danny Bergara Stand

For disabled access, please use gate 3, wheelchair bays can be found directly in front of Block F and the disabled toilet is located next to the wheelchair bay. Both gate 3 and row A have step free access.

Audio Commentary

Audio Commentary is available by request for visually impaired fans, please contact the ticket office for further details.

If you require additional support, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Supporter Liaison Team on slo@stockportcounty.com.



Mascot Package

Want to have a real day to remember at Stockport County? Then why not become a Matchday Mascot and lead the team out at a home match at Edgeley Park!

Our Matchday Mascot package receives nothing but positive feedback. Book a Mascot package and experience a fantastic day with us.

As a mascot you will receive:

- Welcome by a Stockport County Official
- A full Stockport County football kit
- Mini tour of Edgeley Park
- Four match tickets in the Together Stand
- 20% food discount (kiosk only)
- Complimentary matchday programme which includes a photo and feature of the mascot
- Lead the County team out on the pitch at Edgeley Park
- Official photograph with the team captains and match officials before kick off. A copy of the photo will be provided digitally post match.

Ages: 4 - 13 years old
(Max No. of mascots: 11)

£225 inc VAT

 stockportcounty.com/commercial/match-mascot

 mascots@stockportcounty.com



Matchday Hospitality

Business or pleasure, we aim to deliver the finest experience with our football matchday hospitality packages.

The 1883 provides a first-class experience on matchdays to entertain clients and enhance business relationships or bring friends and family and enjoy a special day. This is the ultimate experience for any County fan or local businesses.

Our packages suit all tastes and occasions, from VIP seating for you and your super-fans as well as a beverages counters and fine dining for your guests.

This exclusive day may even include a County legend or two!

We also have The Hardcastle hospitality package available, with a private bar pre-match, free selected drink upon your arrival, as well as have access to the private area at half time and post-match. The Hardcastle offering comes with its own dedicated bar to purchase food and drink from, without having to wait in the queues on the concourse.

To view all of our matchday hospitality offerings, please visit

 stockportcounty.com/hospitality



Supporters Groups

County Supporters Co Op

As the largest SCFC supporters' group we are proud to ensure the views of County supporters are heard and known to the Club. We hope you enjoy the new look site and take full advantage of it!

 Visit countysupporterscoop.co.uk to find out more



Key Contacts

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Supporter Liaison Team

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SCFC Text Message Service

60777

EDGELEY PARK

Stockport County Text Message Service



We hope you have a great matchday experience.

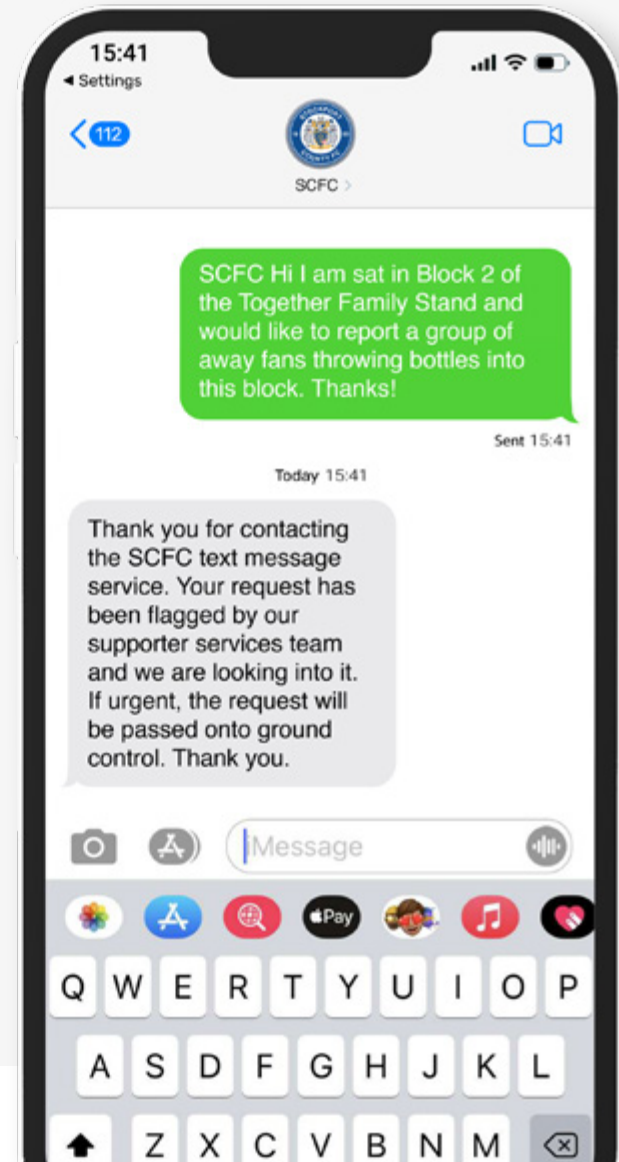
If you would like to send us feedback or report any incidents that you see, then please use our new text message service.

Text '60777' and start your message with SCFC.

We want all of our fans to feel safe and at home whilst at Edgeley Park, and be able to enjoy the best possible matchday experience.

We appreciate that not everyone will feel comfortable raising any concerns or providing feedback in person, and so supporters can now contact our dedicated Supporter Liaison team by texting 60777, starting your text with SCFC.

Standard rates apply.





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