



Fulham FC Testimonial – Paul Stewart

We had the pleasure of Paul Stewart visiting us at Fulham FC's Training Ground on the 23 August 2021. Paul spoke to both our U18 Players and members of the Club's Management Board including our CEO.

Paul has been incredibly brave to tell his story, and whilst it is not an easy story to hear, it is absolutely essential for any organisation who is willing to learn about how to keep children safe. Paul offers careful and sensitive insight into his experience. He is sophisticated in the way he relates his experiences to what can happen when there is a lack of scrutiny, challenge and positive safeguarding procedures and practices within clubs and how this can lead to serious failures within safeguarding, leaving children and young people unsafe.

I would recommend Paul's talk and advice to anyone within the sports industry. Paul's strengths are not only in his credibility as an ex (successful) professional player who has trained in an elite sporting environment but also in his more recent commitment to learning about safeguarding. Paul has a lot of experience and knowledge to share that any organisation is guaranteed to learn from and reflect on, in order to keep children and young people safe.

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