

Harrogate Town AFC are excited to be able to offer matchday sensory bags to supporters with disabilities for the club's remaining 2023/2024 games.

The bags have been designed for supporters, particularly those with Autism, who attend matches, to make the matchday experience more accessible, comfortable and enjoyable.

Harrogate Town AFC have made a significant accommodation for supporters living with autism by introducing the sensory bags, and along with the audio induction loops, we are ensuring that people living with autism, their families and carers are all fully included in the Club.

The sensory bags will come complete with an Harrogate Town AFC draw string bag and will include the following:

- Mini stress ball and sense toys.
- Autism Awareness card and cue cards, which can be shown to matchday staff and stewards to ask for assistance when in the ground.
- Noise-cancelling headphones.
- Menu for concourse food which can be shown at the concourse to order.
- Map of the EnviroVent Stadium.

Process for supporters

All sensory bags will need to be pre-ordered prior to matchday. This can be done so by completing the following application form.

Application Form for Sensory Bags

Once ordered, supporters will receive a confirmation email. Supporters can collect their sensory bag, one hour prior to kick off, from the Information Hub at the EnviroVent Stadium, behind the North Stand, on matchday.

Away supporters attending Harrogate Town AFC matches, that do not live locally, but would still like a sensory bag, where available, should notify Hamilton Mattock (dao@harrogatetownafc.com) in advance of the match.

All sensory bags must be returned, at the end of the match, and handed in at the Manin Office. All returned bags will be fully sanitised before being used by the next supporter.

There are a limited number of sensory bags available, which will be issued on a first come, first served basis.

Football should be inclusive for all, we are making great steps in ensuring there are no restrictions to fans accessing the EnviroVent Stadium! **#proudtobetown**